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Circle of Life

Each element of the Advent wreath has a special meaning and reminds us of the gifts God gives us, not just during Advent but in all times and seasons.



Directions: In the chart below, tell what each part of the Advent wreath symbolizes. Then write one way you experience this gift in your own life.

Wreath Element	What It Symbolizes	How I Experience this Gift
Circle		
Greenery		
Four Candles		
Purple Candles		
Pink Candle		
Light from Candles		

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A. Circle the letter of the choice that best completes each sentence.

- When the angel visited Mary, she
 - responded in faith.
 - refused to believe.
 - said no before saying yes.
 - consulted with Joseph.
- Mary's *fiat* is a Latin word that means
 - "mother of God."
 - "not me, Lord."
 - "let it be done."
 - "full of grace."
- Advent marks the beginning of
 - Holy Week.
 - Ordinary Time.
 - Lent.
 - the Church's liturgical year.
- An Advent wreath is a circle of evergreens with four candles that represent the
 - four days leading up to Christmas.
 - four Sundays of Advent.
 - four seasons of the Church year.
 - four last things.
- The light from the Advent wreath candles represents the light
 - of Mary's yes to God.
 - that came into the world at Jesus' birth.
 - of the Gospels.
 - of the star guiding the Magi.
- We remember that Mary was born without sin on the Feast of the
 - Annunciation.
 - Ascension.
 - Assumption.
 - Immaculate Conception.
- Mary's trip to see her cousin Elizabeth is called the
 - Annunciation.
 - Visitation.
 - Immaculate Conception.
 - Magnificat*.
- During Advent, we remember
 - that God's promise was fulfilled.
 - Jesus' suffering and Death.
 - the holy lives of the saints.
 - Jesus' Resurrection.
- An angel told Mary that her child would be
 - welcomed by all.
 - the New Moses.
 - the Son of God.
 - a king like David.
- Advent is a time of joyful anticipation for the day when
 - Christ will return in glory.
 - the Holy Spirit will descend.
 - the Church's liturgical year begins.
 - we celebrate that Mary was born without Original Sin.

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B. Retell what happened when Mary visited Elizabeth. What was her response to Elizabeth's greeting?

C. During Advent, why is it a good idea to pray to be more like Mary?
