

STUDY GUIDE

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PERSONAL

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1. What was Andrew Birlson's dream trip?
2. Because of Andrew's medical condition, what builds up to toxic levels in his blood?
3. When did Andrew's parents first realize something was wrong with their son?
4. Andrew names his "band" the White Circles. To what does this refer?
5. According to his parents, why does this boy have a close connection to the Blessed Mother?
6. How did Andrew first come to love Pope John Paul II?

HAITIANS

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1. How many people are living in Haitian tent cities today?
2. What do they typically use to construct their shelters?
3. Where does Haitian, Dolce Rochelle, find hope?
4. What are the needs of the Haitian people beyond the basics of food, water and shelter?
5. How are some of the Haitian people using their ingenuity to make a living now?

STUDENTS

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1. Why is it important to learn how to manage money at an early age?
2. What is the Kids Count on the Money Bus?
3. What are some of the lessons students learn through this program?
4. Why should charity be considered when managing money?
5. According to student, Matt Cox, what is the key to saving money?

NEW

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1. How many miles of shelves hold documents in the Vatican Secret Archives?
2. According to Bishop Sergio Pagano, where does the "secret" in the name originate?
3. When were these archives first opened to researchers and by whom?
4. In the archived letter to Pope Pius IX during the Civil War era, what does confederate president, Jefferson Davis assure the pontiff?
5. Why is the letter from the Ojibwe people of Ontario so unique?
6. Currently, what are the most popular research topics in the archives?

CATHOLIC

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1. According to Sister Mary Nicolette, praying the rosary is part of her students' vocation to...
2. The rosary is a devotion dedicated to...
3. List some of the benefits these students receive from praying the rosary.
4. Who first taught Sister Mary Nicolette to make rosaries and what does she feel when engaged in this activity?
5. Why do you think prayer has a calming effect?