

**Homework R18-ALT****[45 points]**

Read pp. 362-379 in “Nectar” and answer the following **neatly** on a separate sheet of paper(s).

**Battle of the Trench**

1. Regarding the digging of the trench:
  - a. (1) Whose idea was the digging of the trench?
  - b. (1) The Prophet (S) created digging groups of how many people each?
  - c. (1) How many feet of the trench was each group supposed to dig?
  - d. (1) Which side of Madinah did it protect?
  - e. (1) What was the size of the Confederate (non-Muslim) army [that was stopped by the trench]?
2. (5) Who is Jabir ibn Abdullah (R) and what happens to/with him?
3. (5) What signs is the Prophet (S) given when he breaks the large rock?
4. (5) Who are Huyai and Kab ibn Asad, and what does Huyai convince Kab ibn Asad to do?
5. (5) What is the Prophet’s (S) purpose in sending 4 Sahabah on an investigation **and what lesson can we take from this?**
6. (5) How does Nuaym ibn Masud (R) cause confusion & mistrust between the Quraish and Jewish tribes?

**Bani Quraizah**

7. (5) While the Muslims are attacking the forts of Bani Quraizah, what are the 3 options that Kab ibn Ashraf gives to his people?
8. (5) Once Bani Quraizah has surrendered, who is chosen to decide the punishment? What is the importance of this person deciding the fate of Bani Quraizah?
9. (5) What is the punishment for Bani Quraizah and what happens to them?

**EXTRA CREDIT (20 points): *Dig a Trench:*** Just before the Battle of the Trench, several hundred Sahabah dug a ditch across the northern part of Medina to protect it. In just 1 week, they moved thousands of pounds of earth to create the trench that was over 1 mile long, about 8-10 feet deep and 12 feet across.

To get a little idea of how this could have felt, dig a small ‘trench’ in your backyard with the dimensions: **3 ft long x 1 ft wide x 1 ft deep**. In order to receive the extra credit, either bring in a picture of your ‘trench’, or have your parents write and sign a note that you did it. **Be sure to get permission from your parents first!**

