



I knew I must leave _____ immediately. I secretly traveled to _____, where others had also taken a stand against some of the Church's _____. When I arrived, I quickly changed my name--so no one would be able to find me--and began my work.

Translating the _____ into _____ was a difficult job. Each word had to be recorded _____. The language also had to be _____ enough for even an uneducated person to _____. It took more than a _____ for me to complete the _____ Testament translation.

I had to find a good _____ who I could also _____ to keep my whereabouts _____. I could not risk being _____. English _____ would be paid well to turn me in. One _____ eventually did find out where the first printing was taking place. I narrowly escaped capture, getting away just in time with some of my _____.

Once the _____ was completed, copies had to get into _____ without being seized. _____ hid the Bibles in shipments where no one expected them: in _____ barrels, in trunks with _____ bottoms, and in airtight boxes inside _____ barrels.

The _____ sold as quickly as they reached England, even though _____ cost about half a week's earnings (over \$100 in today's dollars). Families saved and put their money together, and a farmer would trade an _____ load of hay to get just _____ Bible. Groups would meet together to hear the Word of God for the first time in their _____ language.

The religious leaders and the King were _____.! They tried to _____ as many copies as they could. They also intensified their search to find and arrest me.

I had begun to feel quite _____ in Germany. I had also become somewhat of a _____. I let nothing get in the way of completing my task. I worked late every night translating several books of the Old Testament.

One day I met a young _____ in Germany who seemed to share my ideas about the need to translate the Bible. Over time we became good friends. What I didn't know was that this young man was a _____ who would soon _____ me. He led me right into the hands of my _____ after inviting me out for a meal. I was jailed, charged with _____ (false teaching), and sentenced to death by _____.

The last thing we know about _____ is that he was led through a crowd into the public square. A noose was placed around his neck. His last words were, "God, please open the _____ of England's eyes." He was then hanged and his body was set afire.

God _____ his _____ in a wonderful way. Within _____ year of William Tyndale's death, the King of England gave _____ for an English Bible to be published. Tyndale's Bible was used as a guide for the new translation. This new translation is the father of the King James Bible that is still read today.

1. William Tyndale had a talent for learning languages. Instead of burying his talent, he worked hard to develop it and use it for God. What talent has God given you? What can you do to develop your talent and use it for God's glory?
2. It seems strange that some people in the 1500s thought the Pope's law could be more important than God's law. Can you think of a time when you have had to choose between following God's laws and following man-made laws? What did you do?