**Council of Clermont Reading Questions**

Read the web page below and answer the following questions:

[What were the causes of the First Crusade? - History Skills](https://www.historyskills.com/classroom/ancient-history/anc-1st-crusade-causes-reading/)

1. When was the First Crusade launched?
2. Who initiated the First Crusade?
3. What was the main aim of the First Crusade?
4. Which major battle involving the Byzantine Empire and the Seljuk Turks was significant in the lead-up to the First Crusade?
5. Who became the Byzantine Emperor after Romanos IV Diogenes?
6. To whom did Alexios I Comnenus make a personal appeal for help in 1095?
7. Where and when did Pope Urban II give his famous speech calling for the First Crusade?
8. How many versions of Pope Urban II's speech exist?
9. What were the main motivations that Pope Urban II emphasized in his call to arms?
10. What incentive did Pope Urban II offer to those willing to join the Crusade?
11. What was the response to the call for a crusade?
12. Name one prominent figure who pledged their participation in the First Crusade.

**Paragraph Writing**

Based upon what you learnt in your reading, answer the following question in paragraph format (Topic Sentence, Explanation, Evidence, Concluding Sentence):

*According to the various sources, what were the various* [*motives*](http://www.historyskills.com/historical-knowledge/motives-and-historical-empathy/) *to Urban’s calling of the First Crusade?*