

29. You must allow the three witnesses handle and heft the records and feel the engravings on them.
30. You must call out of Heaven the voice of the Redeemer to declare to the three witnesses that your record is true and that it is their responsibility to bear that testimony to the world, and they do.
31. Eight other witnesses must testify to the world that they saw the ancient records in broad daylight; that they handled them and felt the engravings thereon.
32. The three witnesses as well as the eight witnesses must bear their testimonies, not for profit or gain, but under great personal sacrifice and severe persecution, even to death. None of the witnesses can ever deny their testimonies of what they have said even if they no longer follow your movement or conform to your beliefs.
33. You must find someone to finance your book with the understanding that you or they will never receive any monetary remuneration from it. You must sell the book at cost or less.
34. After suffering persecution and revilement for 20 years after you finish the book, you must then willingly give your own life for your testimony that the record is from God.
35. In spite of the greatness of your book, you must take no credit for yourself, but must give all credit to others.
36. Your book must become an all-time best-seller, you must print over 100 million copies in the next 180 years and be printed in more than 100 languages. Only the Holy Bible can have more copies printed and sold than your book.
37. You must declare to everyone that it is "the most correct of any book on earth..." and that a person would "get nearer to God by abiding by its precepts than any other book".

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God and Jesus Christ appear to Joseph Smith  
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# A Challenge to Duplicate the Book of Mormon

Occasionally we hear some say, "I could believe your Mormon Doctrine if I just did not have to accept the story about Joseph Smith being a man of God and that he translated the Book of Mormon from some golden plates which he claimed he had found on a hillside."

If you have ever had someone make that statement to you or if you have those same feelings yourself, consider what a person would have to do to duplicate the feat. Let us consider some facts or conditions that must be complied with in order for you or someone else to produce a similar record under comparable conditions.

# Consider what it would take:

1. You must be between 23 and 24 years old.
  2. You cannot be a college graduate. In fact, you can have only 3 years of formal education.
  3. Whatever you write must be on the basis of what you know.
  4. You must write a book with 239 chapters, 54 of them about wars, 21 about history, 35 about prophecy, 71 about doctrine, 17 about missionaries and 21 about the mission of Christ.
  5. You must write a history of an ancient country, such as Tibet, covering a period from 600 B.C. to 421 A.D.
  6. You must include in your writings the histories of two distinct and separate nations, along with the histories of different contemporary nations or groups of people.
  7. Your writings must describe the religious, economic, social and political cultures and institutions of these two nations
  8. You must weave into your history the religion of Jesus Christ and the pattern of Christian living.
  9. When you start to produce this record covering a period of over 1,000 years, you must finish in approximately 90 days.
  10. When you have finished, you must not make any changes in the text except minor changes dealing with punctuation correction of typographical errors, modernization of spelling of words and modification of awkward grammar for clarity. The doctrine and story line of first edition must stand forever.
- After pauses for sleep or food, if you are dictating to the stenographer, you must never ask to have the last paragraph, or last sentence read back to you.
12. This record of history must be approximately 522 pages long with over 150 words per page.
  13. You must add 180 proper nouns to the English language (*Shakespeare added only 30.*)
  14. You must announce that your narrative is not fiction, but a true account of a sacred history.
  15. Your narrative must fulfill the Bible prophecies; even in the exact manner in which it shall come forth, to whom given, and its purposes and accomplishments.
  16. You must publish it to every nation, kindred, tongue and people, declaring it to be the word of God.
  17. You must include with the record itself, this marvelous promise: "And when you shall receive these things, I would exhort you that ye would ask God, the Eternal Father, in the name of Christ, if these things are not true; and if you shall ask with a sincere heart, with real intent, having faith in Christ, He will manifest the truth of it unto you, by the power of the Holy Ghost."
  18. Millions must and will bear record to the world following its publication that they know the record that you have written is true, because they put the promise to the test and found it to be true; stating that the truth of it was manifested to them by the power of the Holy Ghost.
  19. Thousands of great men and women, intellectual giants and scholars, must subscribe discipleship to the record and its movement even to the point of laying down their lives.
20. There can be no flaw whatsoever in the entire book.
  21. Your descriptions of the cultures in these civilizations of which you will write about cannot be known when you publish your manuscript but will be discovered later.
  22. You must not make any absurd, impossible, or contradictory statements.
  23. Many of the facts, ideas and statements given as true in your record must be entirely inconsistent, even the direct opposite of the prevailing belief of the world. Very little is even claimed to be known about these civilizations and their 1,000 years of history at the time you write about them.
  24. You must invite the ablest scholars and experts to examine the text with care. You must strive diligently to see that your book gets into the hands of all those most eager to prove it a forgery and who are most competent to expose any flaw in it.
  25. Thorough investigation, scientific evidence and archaeological discoveries for the next 15 to 20 decades must verify your claims and prove even to minutest details of your history to be perfectly true.
  26. After 15 to 20 decades of extensive analysis, no claim or fact in the book will be able to be disproven, but all are vindicated. Other theories and ideas as to the origin of your history must rise and fall, leaving your own claims as the only possible explanation for its origin.
  27. Internal & external prophecies must be confirmed and fulfilled in the next 15 to 20 decades.
  28. Three honest, creditable witnesses must testify to the whole world that an angel from Heaven appeared to them and showed them the ancient records from which you claim your record is translated.