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a dream to King Angus and told him victory was his. On the day of the battle itself a white X-shaped cross appeared against the blue sky in front of the king's army. Believing they had God and St Andrew on their side the Pictish army was indeed victorious. A grateful King Angus donated a tenth of his wealth to the glory of St Andrew and encouraged the dedication of churches to the Apostle. He was also later baptized by St Regulus at St Andrews. More relics of St Andrew, who was a brother of St Peter, were given to Scotland in 1874 and again in 1969 by the Vatican. St Andrews Day may be fundamentally a religious day devoted to remembering the first Apostle but it has now also become a day dedicated to celebrating Scottish traditions and culture. St Andrews Day festivities in Scotland and abroad frequently feature Scottish traditional food, music, songs, poetry and dance. 100Test 下载频道开通，各类考试题目直接下载。详细请访问 [www.100test.com](http://www.100test.com)