





God is our creator

Questions 1-8





Who are you?



I am.

(Write your name here if this is your book)

No one else in the whole world is exactly like you. Even twins who look almost the same are different from each other. Yet God knows each of us. God knows us better than we know each other. He knows us better than we know ourselves. And God loves us. Isn't that amazing?

Memory Verse

I praise you because I am
fearfully and wonderfully made
(Psalm 139:14).

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for making me.
Thank you that I am special to you
and that you love me. Please help
me to remember that you know all
about me. Amen.

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Reading Time

Read the story in Genesis 2 of how God made us in the very beginning.

Talking Time

Think about some of the things which make you, you: the colour of your eyes, the way you smile. These are all parts of you which God has created. Sometimes we don't like the way we look; there are things we'd like to change. It always helps us to remember that God has a special purpose for each of us. We need to thank him for making us just as we are. God made us and knows us. Maybe there are some things that we hope God doesn't know about. Think about the fact that God knows all about us. Does that make any difference to the way you live?

Action Time

Look at yourself in the mirror and then draw a picture of yourself. Try to get all the details right, even if there are some you would like to change! Remember there is no one else in the whole world the same as you. Underneath, write the words of the memory verse.



Why am I here?



God gave me life
so that I could
live for him.

God did not need to make you. You might never have been alive! But God wanted you to have life. When you were tiny, God cared for you. He has been looking after you ever since. He wants you to live for him. God really cares about you.

Memory Verse

You gave me life and showed me kindness (Job 10:12).

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for making me and giving me life. Please help me to live for you. Thank you for caring for me and looking after me. Help me to be caring, too. Amen.

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Reading Time

In Psalm 23 you can find out about how one man, David, knew God cared for him.

Talking Time

You won't remember what it was like when you were very small, but mum and dad will. They spent a lot of time looking after you. Ask them to tell you about it. God has also been caring for you all the time. We can't see him caring for us, but we know he is there watching over us. He cares for you so much because he wants you to live for him. What can you do to show that you are living for God?

Action Time

See if you can find some photographs taken when you were a baby. Ask mum or dad to tell you about some of the things that they did to look after you. Write down things you can do that let others know you are living for God. Think about a time when you did something that showed you weren't living for God. Tell God you are sorry.



What is God like?



God told us what he is like when he said, 'I am who I am'.

One day, Moses heard God's voice speaking to him from a burning bush. A fire was burning in the bush, but the bush did not burn up. Moses asked God who he was. God gave him a strange reply. He said, 'I am who I am.' That means that God had no beginning and no ending. God is like the fire that did not depend on the bush in order to keep burning. He is the one who gives life to everything.

Memory Verse

Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God (Psalm 90:2).

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for being who you are. Thank you that you give life to everything all around. Thank you for being so great. Help me to listen to you more. Amen.

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Reading Time

To learn more of the story of Moses and the burning bush, read Exodus 3.

Talking Time

It must have been a great surprise to Moses to hear a bush speak. What kinds of things surprise you? What do you do if you get a surprise or a fright? Moses listened to God. We too need to listen to God. We can do that by reading his Word, so we can find out more about him and learn to live as he wants us to. How else can you listen to God today?

Action Time

Find out some more about Moses. Make a personal file about him, giving details about where he was born, where he was brought up, who his family was, what he did. See Exodus 2 and 3. Draw a big ear shape and inside it write down or draw all the things which you like to listen to. On the other side of the ear, write a message to remind you to listen to good things.





Is there only one God?



There is only one God, and he exists in three persons.

God is different from us. The Bible tells us that there is only one God. But this one God exists in three persons: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. This is a secret which only God himself understands. But God has told us a little about his secret: he is love. God the Father and the Son and the Spirit love each other. And God wants to share that love with us.

Memory Verse

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you (2 Corinthians 13:14).

Prayer

Dear Lord, you know how difficult it is for me to understand some of your secrets. Please help me to trust you for the things I can't understand. Amen.

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Reading Time

Read Mark 1:10-11 to find out more about God being three persons in one.

Talking Time

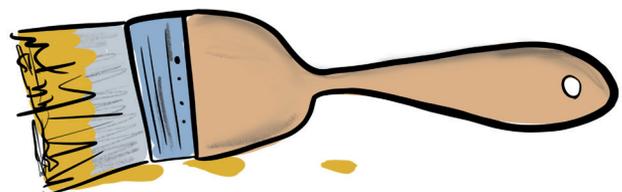
How do you think God is different from us? Talk about these differences. What does God want to share with us? What is the mystery that only God understands? What is God's secret?

Action Time

Make a grid of three columns beside the names of each person in your family and a couple of your friends.

Name, Age, Location, Description.

Add a column for God. This should show you how different God is to anyone you know. As you go through this book, you can come back to this grid to add different things you learn about God along the way.





Why did God create the world?



God made the world for his glory and to help us to know, trust and love him.

Are you ever surprised by all the different things God has made? He made huge elephants and long-necked giraffes. But God also made small butterflies and thin snowflakes. He made the sun and the moon and all the stars. He made the clouds that fly across the sky. He made you. God is our loving Creator.

Memory Verse

The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands (Psalm 19:1).

Prayer

Thank you, God, for all the wonderful things in your world which help me to learn more about your power. Amen.

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Reading Time

Psalm 148 talks about all the wonderful things God has made.

Talking Time

God made lots of wonderful things in the world. What are your favourites of all God made? Is there anything that God made that you don't really like? By looking at creation all around us we can learn about God and how wonderful and powerful he is. Every tiny detail is part of his design.

Action Time

Choose the things that you see in the world that help you to love and trust God more. Draw them in a poster. Think of a title for the poster and write it at the top.





How did God give me life?



God gave me life through my father and mother.

God made us to live in families where we can be loved. In families we can also learn to love each other.

God gives children to mums and dads so that they can share their love. God, the great Creator, gives people a part to play in his work. God is kind and generous.

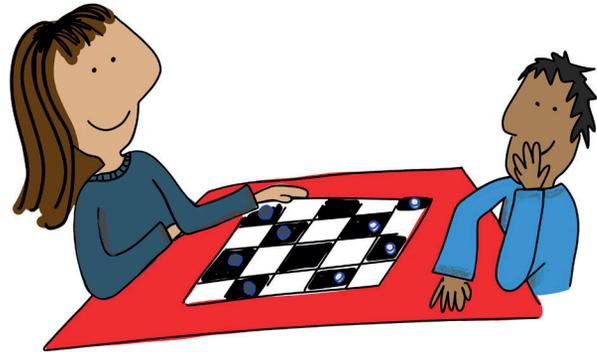
Memory Verse

God sets the lonely in families (Psalm 68:6).

Prayer

Thank you, God, for giving me life. Thank you, God, for putting me in a family. Thank you for the love we can share with each other. Please be close to those who have no family and are feeling lonely. Amen.

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Reading Time

Read Luke 1:57-58 to discover how some people felt at the birth of a child.

Talking Time

Who belongs to your family? What are the good things about being part of a family? Families are places where love can be shared. How can you try to share love with others in your family? Can you think of any families that are mentioned in the Bible?

Action Time

Make a family tree for three Bible families who were sad because they didn't have any children, but God turned their sadness to joy by giving them children. (See Judges 13; 1 Samuel 1; Luke 1:5-25; 57-80.)

