

MY SUNDAY SCHOOL MAGAZINE



On the 6th day God said.....

“Let there be land

animals.

Let us

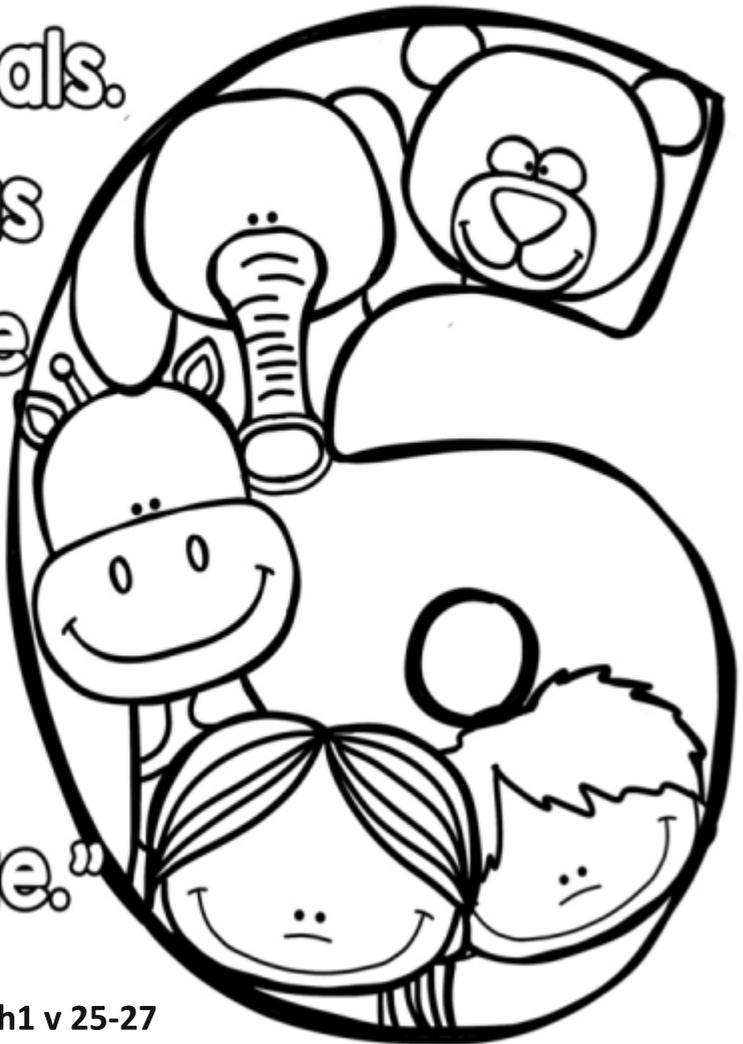
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Genesis Ch1 v 25-27



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Happy New Year!

This time, we are thinking about a wonderful part of God's creation - **Animals!**

God created things in a certain order so that everything was ready for people and animals.

Many animals were created just to help us and they are all created to show us beauty and strength.

Which are your favourite animals?

Now we can see them on our TVs and computers. In the past no one could see such lovely things, so we should thank Him for them all.

Love Aunty Anne





In Genesis we are told that God brought all the animals to Adam to give them names. What a job! He must have had an amazing memory!!!

God created animals that could give us good food.



**Milk, cheese,
butter, and cream.
and yoghurt.
Lovely!**



I don't think Adam and Eve had cream cake but they did eat all the ingredients and the honey the bees gave them.



**Thank you God
for our food!!!**





God created horses, and they have been our most useful animals. Can you think how many things they can do?

Did you know that until 1920, people used horses to travel everywhere? That was only about 100 years ago!



Horses walk at about 4 miles an hour. On a long journey, they could travel about 20 to 40 miles in a day. Horses can run very fast - between 20 and 40 miles an hour! On long journeys, people changed horses so they could get where they were going more quickly.

They pulled carriages and carts, to move people and things like groceries and furniture.



One of the world's biggest horses was called Goliath (I wonder why!?), and the smallest was called Bluebell.

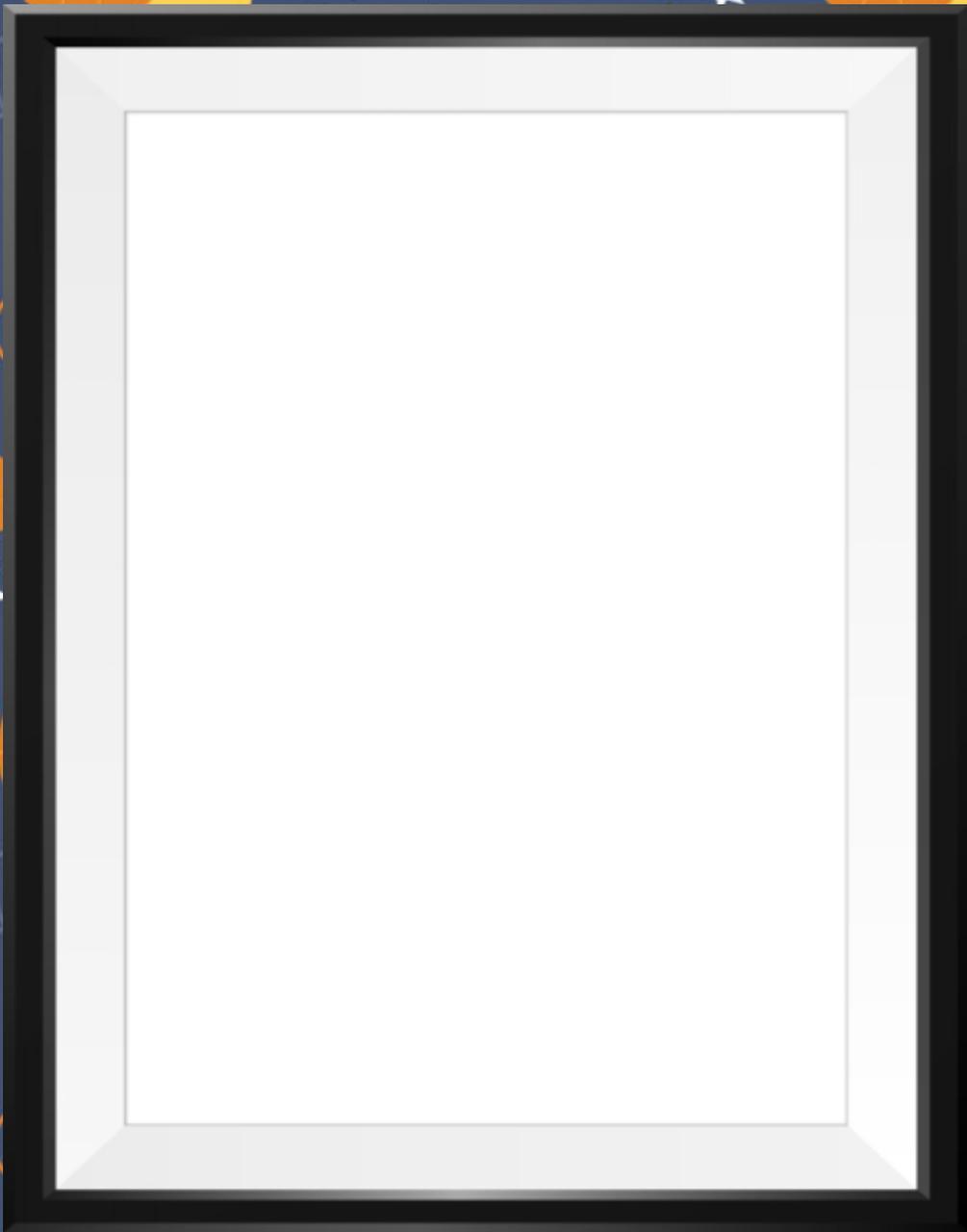
Daniel & the Lions Word Search

L I O N S P D X
Y U M F R W A L
F S A A A X S J
A O Y E V A R B



BRAVE
LAW
LIONS
PRAY
SAD





**Draw or put a picture of your
favourite animal here!**



There are some lovely things about winter. The bright blue mornings and the crispy leaves covered in frost. The whole world changes colour in front of our eyes!

And some animals do too. For lots of animals, it's important that they can blend into their environment so they can hide from predators. When the world changes colour, these animals need to change colour too.

The Arctic fox is a good example. They are a small type of fox with lovely white fur to keep them warm in the Arctic winter. They blend in perfectly with the snow and ice around them.



This helps them hide from polar bears, who like them as a snack! But it doesn't help when the snow and ice melt.



They change from snow-white to dark brown, which helps them blend in with the soil and rocks in an Arctic summer. This is called the 'summer morph'. It makes it harder for their prey to see them coming.

Arctic hares also change colour from snow-white to grey in summer. It helps them in their game of hide and seek.



Some animals even change the colour of their eyes in winter. Reindeer have orange eyes in summer and dark blue eyes in winter. This helps them see in the dark Arctic winter. It's a bit like owls. Some owls have orange or yellow eyes, and some have dark brown eyes.



The colour of an owl's eyes tells you what time of day it hunts. Owls with yellow eyes hunt during the day. The short-eared owl is an example.



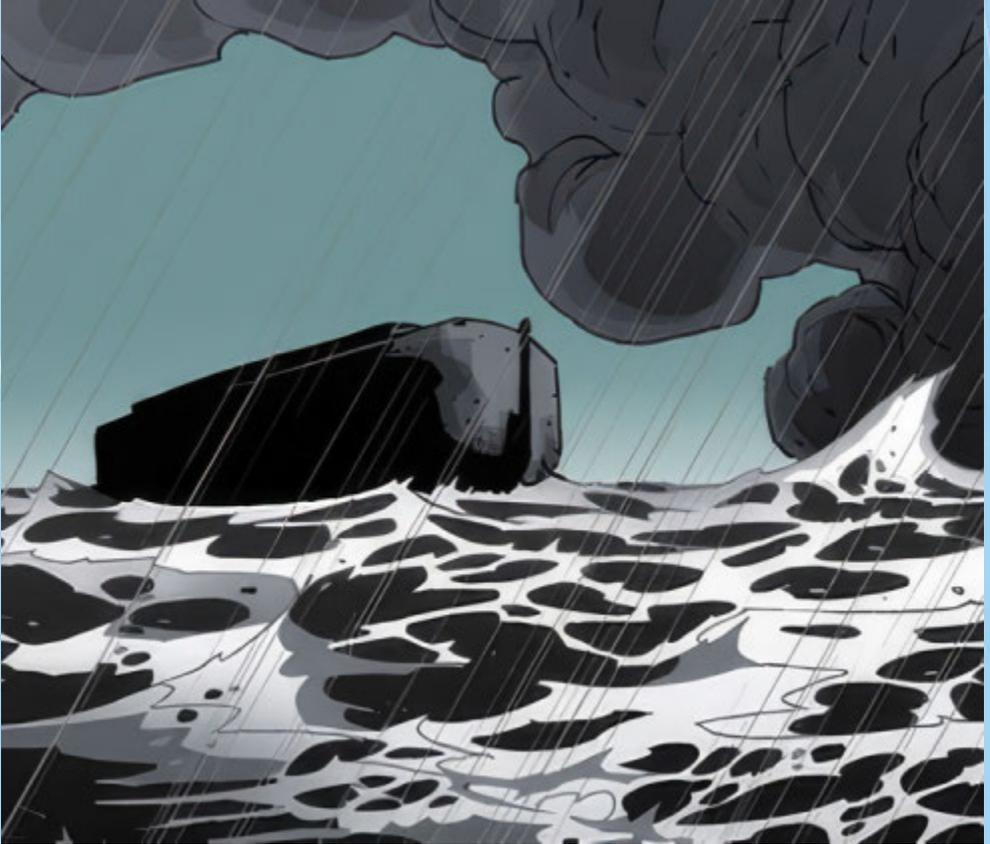
If an owl has orange eyes, it will hunt in the morning or evening, like the eagle owl. Owls with dark-coloured eyes, like tawny owls, hunt at night. Their eyes don't change colour.

God has made each creature to fit perfectly into the environment He made for it. He even made some animals change their colour to match where they live.

How to Draw an Owl



NOAH'S



**I'm sure you've heard this story many times,
but how much do you remember?**

You might need some help and a Bible.

The answers can be found in Genesis 6:9 to 8:19.



Tick the right number...

How many people were in the Ark?

2 4 8 10

How many pairs of clean animals went in? 1 2 5 7

How many pairs of unclean animals went in? 1 2 3 4

How many pairs of birds went in?
1 5 7 9



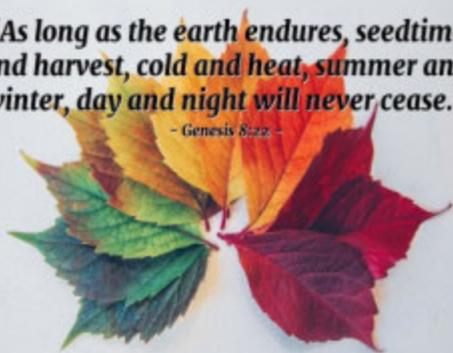
Who closed the door of the ark when all the people and creatures were inside?



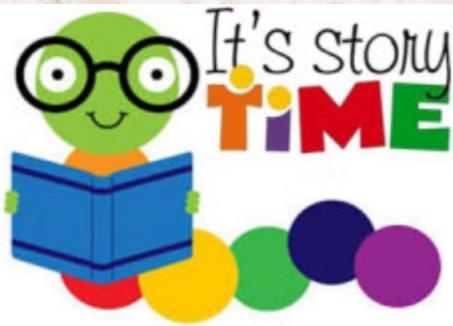
How long did it rain?

"As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease."

- Genesis 8:22 -



Did you learn this verse? It was first given to Noah and now to us!!!



Lisa and Jack loved going to the zoo, even in winter, as long as they were wrapped up warm. Mum wasn't keen, but Dad and Grandad took them anyway.

They went to feed the sheep, which had very thick coats. Dad said the coats had layers to keep them warm. The top layer was waterproof, and the inside was fluffy and warm.



Jack's favourites were the penguins and the polar bears. They didn't seem to mind the cold at all. In fact, the bears seemed to love it! Lisa said she was glad she didn't have to swim in cold water.



Jack thought hard, then he said to Grandad, "Why are all those cold animals white or grey?" Grandad said, "They live in snowy places in the winter, so they can hide from animals that want to eat them - or sneak up on animals they want to eat."



Later, they even saw a white owl, and Jack read the sign that said, 'Snowy Owl'. "There you are," said Grandad. "Even birds are created by God to hide in the snow."



Because they loved animals, Aunty Jenny had bought them a Noah's Ark, which they loved to play with. All the animals could be packed away safely inside it.

They had other animals that they added when they played. Jack even had some fish, but Mum said they didn't need to go in the Ark because they could swim.



In their Ark, there were just two of everything. But Dad read the story of the Ark to them, and they made a discovery. You can do that too in this magazine!



Lisa liked playing, but she especially loved her cat because it was warm and loved her back. The cat often tried to sneak into her bed, and if Mum wasn't looking, Lisa would let her!

They told Mum and Dad they'd had a lovely day, and Mum said they should look for something lovely every day.



In winter, we often get coughs and colds, but God has thought of us and given us fruit with Vitamin C to help. We get this special stuff from fruit like oranges and grapefruits.



The next time you eat delicious food, think of the birds!!!



In winter, birds need help too. Can you make a feeder for them?

Clean out the fruit from a halved orange or grapefruit. Push two sticks through it, tie on some string, and fill it with bird food or bits of fat. Hang it up and watch the birds come!!

For you to read and remember



**A righteous man cares
for the needs of
his animal.**

Proverbs 12:10

**God created wonderful animals for us
and He wants us to care for them!**

Letters and
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