



Upper Elementary

All scripture quotations are taken from the World English Bible, 2020.


Intro:	<p>Ask children to name and draw their favorite baked item.</p> <p>Would you be proud of your cupcake, muffin, bread, etc?</p> <p>Would it be okay for a sibling or friend to come and throw it out?</p>
moldy bread	<p>(Show children moldy bread) But what if you saw it was moldy? Would it be okay for you to destroy it? Yes, you made it and if you see that it has gone bad, you would want to throw it out and make a new one.</p>
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	<p>God created the earth and the whole universe. There is not even one star in the sky, or one grain of sand on the beach that he didn't make. He also made people. He could make everything how He wanted to, and He also had the right to destroy it. Although this may seem unfair, God was getting rid of the bad on earth, so He could start fresh, because the earth had become so, so evil. Many people did not believe in God anymore. God knows everything, even what people think about Him. God chose Noah because He knew that Noah's heart was in the right place. He knew that Noah had enough faith in Him to obey His instructions.</p>



Raiders of the Good Book
Noah
What is your favorite baked item? _____
Draw a picture.

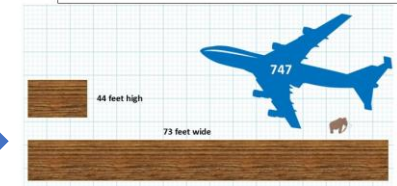


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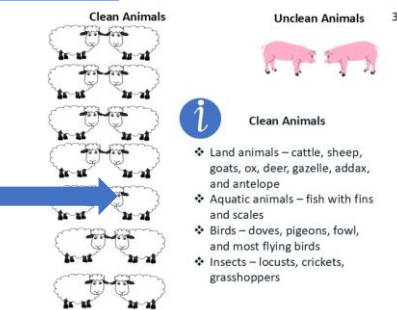


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Ark Cartoons	Many of you may have seen drawings of Noah's Ark that looked like this. Does this look like it's really big enough to hold people and all kinds of animals for a year? This is cute to laugh at, but it gives us the wrong idea of how big the ark was.
Ark Diagram	The ark was about 450 feet long, 75 feet wide, and 45 feet high, or about the size of a modern battleship. This was more than enough room for Noah's family plus all of the animals and the food they would have to store up for the long boat ride.
*Note to Teacher	If children ask about the dinosaurs: Many Christians have different opinions about whether or not the dinosaurs could have become extinct after the flood. All the Bible tells us is that if they weren't extinct yet, they could have fit on the ark and would have been included. Therefore, the flood is not a possible reason why they became extinct.
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	You probably always thought that Noah took two of every animal, because that is what we usually see in pictures. But the Bible says he took seven pairs of the animals used to make sacrifices to God, and only one pair of all the others.
Noah Says	Play Simon Says, but saying, Noah, instead. Give instructions that would have to do with building the ark.
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Where did the water come from? Not just rain. The Bible says water from under the earth gushed out everywhere. We don't know exactly what the earth looked like before the flood, or how deep this water was. We can only guess it must have been very different from the earth today.

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What kind of animals did not get destroyed? (water animals)

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If children ask about whales and dophins, most translations say 'every animal that had breath and lived on land died,' thus excluding water mammals.

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Ark Timeline

Review timeline of the flood. Add it all up together. How many days?

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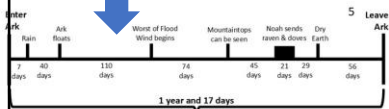
What did it mean when the dove brought back a leaf? (trees were starting to appear again) What did it mean when the dove did not come back? (it had found a home in a tree)

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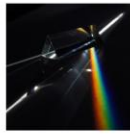
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	<p>A rainbow is created when the sun comes out right after it rains, when the earth is still wet. There must have been a lot of moisture on the ground that day, so it may have been the biggest, brightest rainbow ever seen! No matter how long or heavily it rains (or how big a local flood might be), the rain always stops eventually. God promised that He would never flood the whole earth again, and He has kept that promise for thousands of years.</p>
Genesis 9:18-19	<p>The sons of Noah who went out from the ship were Shem, Ham, and Japheth. Ham is the father of Canaan. These three were the sons of Noah, and from these the whole earth was populated.</p>
	<p>Every single person in this room, in fact everyone on the whole earth, is a descendant of Noah. After Noah's family left the ark, they were the only people left. The animals in the ark were the only animals left on the planet. Some animals that were on the ark may not exist anymore, or have almost completely disappeared.</p>
Globe	<p>Use globe or map to show where Mt. Ararat is. Describe how people might have travelled. Show how people could have wandered in one direction down through Africa, or Europe, how they could have traveled through Asia and across the Bering Straight to go from Russia to Alaska, then down through North and South America. Encourage children to take turns pointing to show someone traveling from where the ark landed to another place on the other side of the earth. Explain that people could have used large boats to inhabit all of the islands of the South Pacific and then would have slowly made their way to Australia.</p>
Closing:	<p>Show slice of moldy & fresh bread, sharp & dull, chewed pencil, fresh & brown banana. Which would you rather have of each pair? You can see that one is good and one is bad. Just like in Noah's time, everyone has to make a choice. Even with so many people on earth now, God still knows what is in everyone's heart, even yours. Our hearts will be filled with something. The people destroyed by the flood had hearts filled with evil. Noah's heart was filled with God. What do you want your heart to be filled with?</p>



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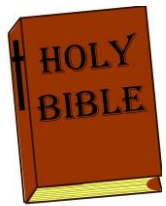
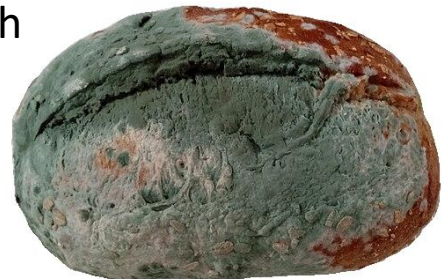
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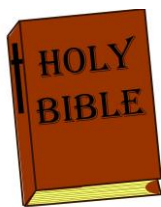
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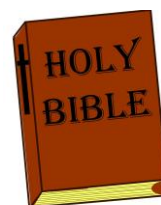
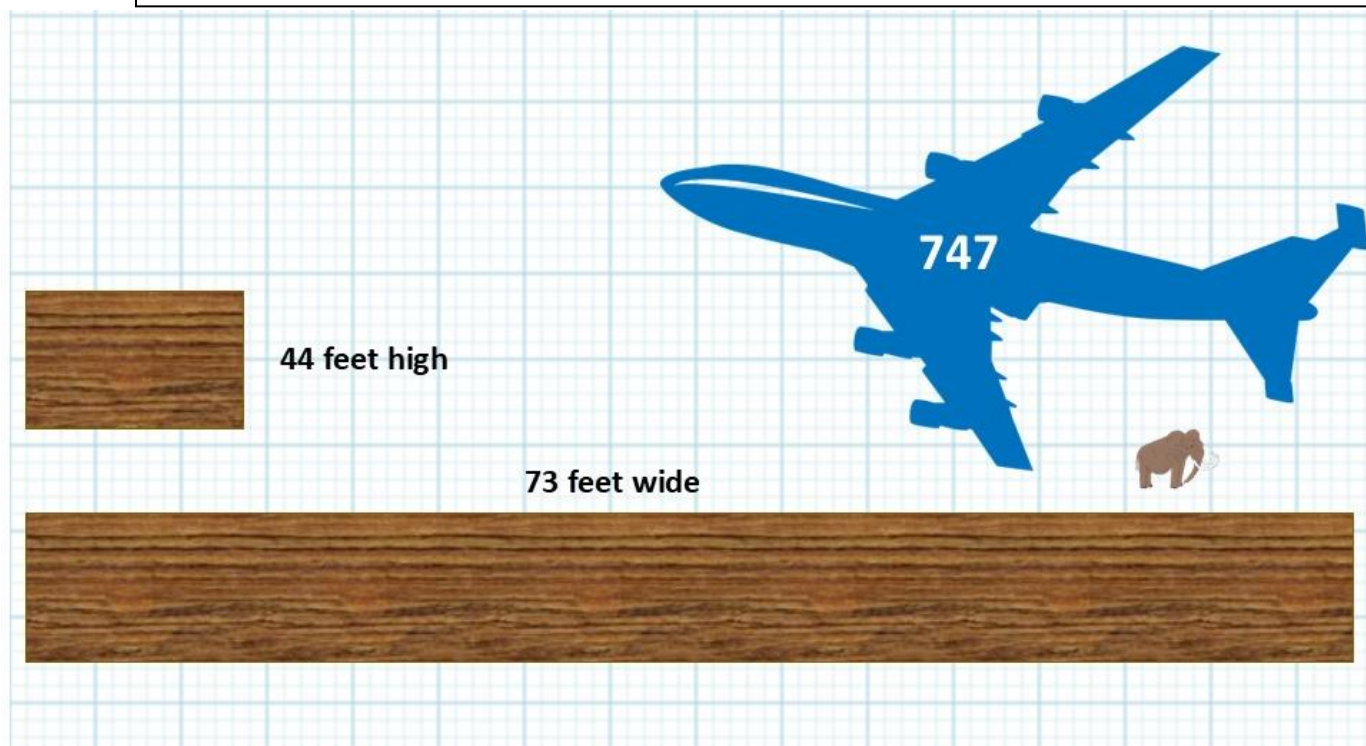
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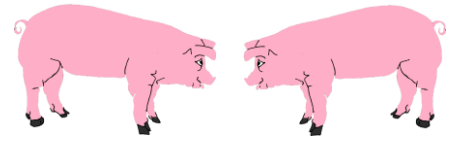
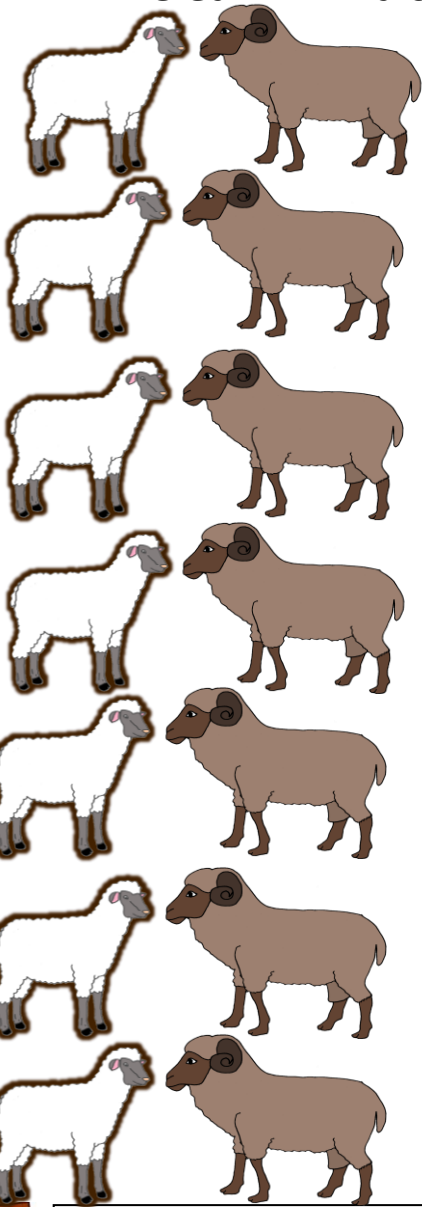
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- ❖ Land animals – cattle, sheep, goats, ox, deer, gazelle, addax, and antelope
- ❖ Aquatic animals – fish with fins and scales
- ❖ Birds – doves, pigeons, fowl, and most flying birds
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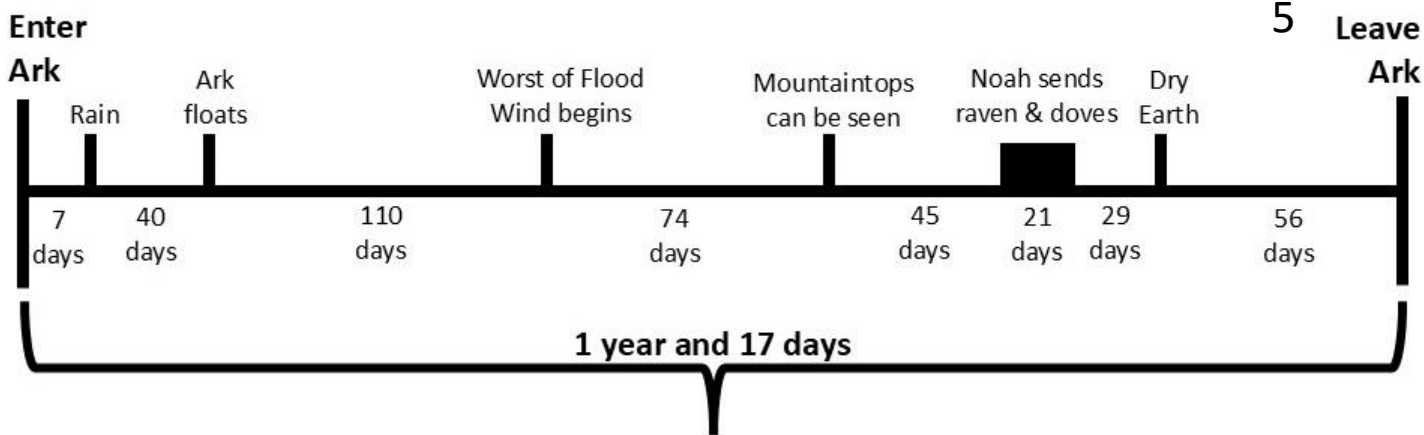
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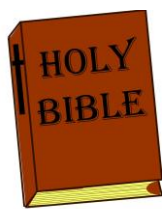


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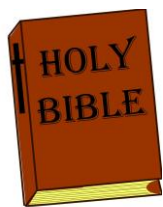
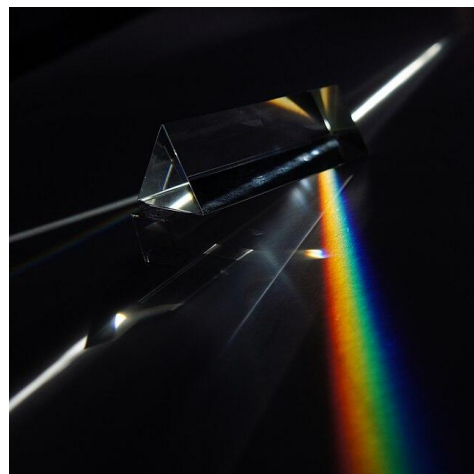


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