

# **DEEP DOWN DETECTIVES**



**Visual Aids**

**Unit 2,**

**Bible Truth 3**

## About the Deep Down Detectives Visual Aids

### How Are They Used?



The Deep Down Detectives Visual Aids book is a companion resource to be used alongside the Deep Down Detectives Core Curriculum book for each unit. These colorful pictures are used in presenting the key concepts; telling the Bible stories; and, in playing the Bible Story Review games.

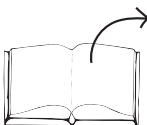
### What Do They Include?



**There are four different resources included in this book:**

- 1. Key Concept Visual Aids**-- colorful signs of the Big Question and Answer, the Bible Truth, the Bible verse, and the Listening Assignments to use with the 3 lessons for each Bible Truth.
- 2. The Story Scenes, themselves.** Notice that each scene is numbered and that there is a brief summary of the story that corresponds to the picture. You can actually just tell the story in a simple way by using only the text at the bottom of each Story Scene.
- 3. Directions** for making the Deep Down Detectives "Bible" Folder and the **back/front images** to paste in place when making it. (Larger back/front images are found online with the curriculum.)
- 4. Directions** for how to make a homemade flannelgraph storyboard and sturdy Story Scene pictures are found in the back of this book.

### Ready, Set, Rip It Out!



This book is meant to be ripped up and made into your visual aids. The key concept signs can be cut out and laminated or slipped into sheet protectors. The Story Scenes can be put in sheet protectors or laminated, too.

### Store It!



Deep Down Detectives is a curriculum that can be used over and over. Store your visual aids and storyboard pictures after using them and they will serve you for many years. We store ours in manila envelopes and then put them (along with all the rest of the curriculum) in magazine files, labelled by Bible Truth. If you have multiple classes using the curriculum, store each set of resources in separate manila envelopes. This will make prep much simpler, second time around.

### Replacement Story Scene Pictures



You can always purchase this book again or simply go online and print out any scenes that go missing.

### Other Options



You can also choose to tell the story in a more traditional flannelgraph way by using your own flannelgraph figures or by purchasing/free downloading the Storyboard Pictures (large and small format size available). This is more complex and requires more preparation, but some love it. And, it does allow for kids to interact more by helping to place pictures up on the board as you tell the story.

**Unit 2: God's Wonderful Word, the Bible**

**Unit Big Question (and Answer):** "What's so special about the Bible? It alone is God's Word!"

**Unit Bible Verse:** "This God--His ways are perfect. The word of the LORD proves true. The Lord lives, and blessed be my rock, and exalted be the God of my salvation." Psalm 18:30,46 ESV

**Bible Truth 3 Concept: God Uses His Word, the Bible, to Save His People**

We read books to know things. We read the Bible to know things, too. The Bible tells us about God and His plans to save sinful people like you and me. It tells us that God is good, but that we have all disobeyed Him. It tells us of how Jesus came to save us from our sins. These are very, very good things for us to learn from the Bible.

But the Bible does more than just help us LEARN about God and His plans. God has made it powerful to DO wonderful things inside of us. God uses His Word to save us from our sins and make us His people. God does this through His Holy Spirit, working in our hearts, as we think about His Word. The Holy Spirit helps us to want us to turn to God and ask for His forgiveness. He helps us put our trust in Jesus as our Savior. God loves to work through His Word and save people. He can work through His Word and save us, too. Ask Him!

**Bible Truth 3 Bible Verse: 1 Peter 1:23**

"You have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God."

**Learn a Little:** "You have been born again... through the word of God."

**Meaning**

When we become one of God's people, God calls that being born AGAIN. No, our mothers don't give birth to us again. No, we don't become little babies like we were. But, it IS a new beginning of life. Only this time, it is life with God.

How do we have this new beginning of life with God? God's Holy Spirit works in our hearts, as we think about God's Word. He helps us want to turn away from disobeying God and trust in Jesus as our Savior. We tell God about our sins and He forgives them all. He gives us a new heart that knows Him and loves Him and wants to live for Him.

This new life with God makes us a new person on the inside, in our heart. That's why God says we are born again when we become His people. And the amazing thing about this new life with God is that it never ends. We will NEVER perish! When we die, we will go to live with God forever! God loves to help us have this new life. Ask Him to help you!

**Bible Truth 3 ACTS Prayer**

- A** We praise You, God, that You are our Savior.
- C** God, You are so kind to offer to save us, but sometimes we still want to keep on doing things our own way. Please forgive us. Help us to turn to You as our Savior.
- T** Thank You for giving us Your Word, the Bible. Thank You for what You tell us about You and about ourselves in it. Thank You for how You use it to save people like us from our sins so we can be Your people.
- S** Work deep inside our hearts as we listen to Your Word, the Bible! Use it to help us turn away from disobeying You and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to love You and live for You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

**Bible Truth 3 Story****The Case of the Fishermen Who Followed**

*Matthew 4:18-22; 27-28; Mark 1:16-20; Luke 5:1-11; John 20:30-31; 21:24-25*

**Songs Used in Bible Truth 3**

Big Q & A 2 Song

Big Question 2 Song

Big Question 2 Bible Verse Song: As For God, His Way Is Perfect: Psalm 18:30

Big Question 2 Hymn: How Precious Is the Book Divine, v.1

Big Question 2 Praise Song: The Best Book to Read Is the Bible

Bible Truth 3 Bible Verse Song: For You Have Been Born Again 1 Peter 1:23, ESV

**The Case of the Fishermen Who Followed**

Matthew 4:18-22; 27-28; Mark 1:16-20; Luke 5:1-11; John 20:30-31;21:24-25



**Story-telling Tips**

Ahead of time:

1. Read the Bible verses and story. Pray!
2. Choose story action cues and/or prepare Story Scenes, if using. (Included in the Visual Aids books)
3. Practice telling story with the Story Scenes, timing your presentation. Shorten, if necessary.

During your presentation:

1. Maintain as much eye contact as possible as you tell the story.
2. Put up Story Scenes/add story action cues as you tell the story. Allow the children to help you put them on the board, if desired.
3. Include the children in your story with a few questions about what they think will happen or words/concepts that might be new to them.

**INTRODUCTION/ LISTENING ASSIGNMENTS**

**“Our story is called: The Case of the The Case of the Fishermen Who Followed. Here is your listening assignment... ”**

*Read from Detective Dan’s Listening Assignment signs, but questions are summarized below:*

**Detective Dan’s Lesson #1 Listening Assignment:**

I need to find out:

- 1. Who were the fishermen?**
- 2. Who did they follow? What happened to them as they heard God’s Word?**

**Detective Dan’s Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:**

**Our Bible Verse is 1 Peter 1:23:** “For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.”

**When we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus, this is called being born again. That’s because this is how God gives us a new life as one of His people. God uses His Word, the Bible to do this wonderful thing inside our hearts.**

I need to find out:

- 1. What happened as the fishermen listened to Jesus teach from God’s Word, the Bible?**
- 2. What did God’s Holy Spirit help some of the fishermen write down? Which of the fishermen wrote down the words to our Bible verse?**

**Detective Dan’s Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:**

I found six clues, but only 4 of them are in the story.

They are: a rabbit; a market; a net full of fish; the moon; a bad guy; and, a book.

*Hold up each of them for the children to see as you identify them.*

I need to figure out:

- 1. Which four belong in the story and which two don’t?**
- 2. Who confessed that he was a sinful man? What did Jesus do?**

**Read the assignment questions, THEN SAY,**

“Ok, Deep Down Detectives! Put on your best listening ears and see if you can hear the answers to Detective Dan’s questions. When I finish telling the story, we will see if we can answer all the questions.”

*Read the Bible Truth story, answer questions, present the gospel and lead in prayer.*

*Listening Assignments answers; the gospel; and, an ACTS prayer are included with the story text at the end.*

**The Case of the Fishermen Who Followed** Matthew 4:18-22; 27-28; Mark 1:16-20; Luke 5:1-11; John 20:30-31;21:24-25

*Story with lines separating paragraphs (text in bold, optional interaction cues in italics)*

If there was one thing that Peter, Andrew, James and John knew, it was fish. Some of these fish you may have heard of before-- like sardines and tilapia. There were others you probably haven't heard of--like musht and biny fish.

But Peter, Andrew, James and John knew them all and caught them all. They were fishermen. Fish were their living. So, most every night, when the sun went down behind the hills and the moon rose up in the sky, Peter, Andrew, James and John gathered their nets, hopped in their boat, and sailed out to the middle of the big Sea of Galilee.

"Whoosh", they threw out their nets onto the wavy waters. "Bloop, bloop, bloop," down the nets sank into the depths below. Then "Grrrrrunt," they pulled the heavy nets back into their boat, filled with flippy-floppy fish. Catch fish on the lake at night. Sell fish in the market by day. Sleep a little bit, then do it all over again. This was the life of fishermen, Peter, Andrew, James and John.

*Can you pretend to throw out a big net and pull it back in?*

Well, that's the way life was supposed to go. But one night, things went very, very differently. Out went the nets—"Whoosh." And down went the nets—"Bloop, bloop, bloop." (Yes, that was all the same as usual.) But this time, there was no "Grrrrrunt" when the nets came up out of the water. They were easy to pull back in. Too easy. Uh oh...

*Why do you think, the nets were so easy to pull in?*

The nets were easy to pull in because there were NO fish in the nets at all! There were no fish that first time they threw out the nets...or the second or the third or the fourth. Not a single musht or biny or sardine or tilapia fish the whole night long. Not even one! So, as the moon set and the sun came back up the next morning, it was a very sad Peter, Andrew, James and John who rowed their empty boat back to shore and pulled it up on the beach. No fish caught meant no fish to sell at the market... and no money in their pockets. They would just clean their nets and go to bed. Ugh! This was the worst night ever!

But then, someone came down to the beach that sad morning who was about to turn the worst NIGHT ever into the best DAY ever for those fishermen. Can you guess who it was?

*Who do you guess?*

It was Jesus! He had come down to the beach with a big crowd of people—right there where Peter, Andrew, James and John were cleaning their nets.

Now when you and I go to the beach, it might be to swim in the water or play in the sand, but not Jesus and this crowd.

*Why do you think they had come to the beach?*

**Jesus had come to teach to them from God's Word.**

But why had Jesus chosen THAT spot? The Sea of Galilee was a huge lake. Jesus could have picked many places to take that big crowd. But on purpose, He led them right there near those sad, tired fishermen. Jesus had a plan!

*Can you guess why? Let's find out!*

*Story with lines separating paragraphs (text in bold, optional interaction cues in italics)*

**Jesus borrowed Peter's boat and pushed it out to shore a little ways. Then He began teaching from God's Word.**

**Peter, Andrew, James and John listened to Jesus preach as they cleaned their nets. And as those fishermen listened, God's Holy Spirit started to work in their hearts. He was using God's Word to help them begin to believe in Jesus as more than just a teacher.**

**Jesus knew what was going on inside of those fishermen. This had been His plan. He had planned for them to hear Him teach from God's Word that day. He had planned for the Holy Spirit to work in their hearts. Because, He had planned for those four fishermen to be His disciples! They would be His special friends who would live with Him and go with Him everywhere He went. He would teach them God's Word and He prepare them to tell the whole world the good news of salvation... and it was all starting right then!**

**When Jesus finished teaching, He rowed to shore and gave the boat back to the fishermen. "Get into your boat and row back out onto the lake," Jesus told them. "Throw out your nets again."**

**The fishermen was tired. They had just finished cleaning those big nets. They didn't want to get them dirty again. It wouldn't do any good to go back out anyway. Everyone knew fish come out at night, not during the day!**

**But Peter went ahead and obeyed Jesus, in a grumpy sort of way. "Jesus, we have been out all night and caught nothing, but because you say so, we will go back out." What did a teacher know about fishing anyway, he must have thought.**

*Was Peter right about Jesus? Did He really know so little about fishing?*

**Well, it was a good thing those fishermen DID obey Jesus, as they quickly found out! "Whoosh" they threw out the net, "Bloop, bloop, bloop" down went the nets, then "GRRRRRRUNT" they pulled them back in, with the biggest grunt ever. The nets were so full of fish that they couldn't hold them all. The nets were so full of fish that they even began to RIPPPPPP!**

**Once more the Holy Spirit worked those fishermen's hearts. He helped them put all the pieces together. Jesus had CAUSED this amazing catch of fish. And He had done it in a way that only God could do. Jesus wasn't just a teacher of God's Word. He was MORE! Could Jesus be the Messiah, the Special One sent by God to save His people, they began to wonder. Wow!**

**Peter wasn't just amazed. He was ashamed, too. He had grumbled and doubted Jesus. He fell down on his knees before Jesus and said, "Go away from me. I'm a sinful man." What would someone like Jesus want with him, Peter thought.**

*Do you think Jesus left Peter and went away?*

**But Jesus did NOT go away. He knew Peter was a sinner. He had come to be Peter's Savior. Jesus STAYED and said to Peter and the others, "Leave your fishing nets and come follow Me. No more catching biny or musht fish for you! I'm making you fishers of men. I will use you to bring God's Word to people so they can learn about Me—the Savior—and be saved from their sins."**

**And that's exactly what Peter, Andrew, James and John did. They put down their nets, and left their boat... and even all those flippy-floppy fish. And they followed Jesus, right then and there.**

*Story with lines separating paragraphs (text in bold, optional interaction cues in italics)*

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**For one, two, three years, Peter, Andrew, James and John followed Jesus as His disciples. They listened to Him preach God's Word. They watched Him do many amazing things by God's power. Then, at the end of those three years, they watched Jesus do the most amazing thing of all: they watched Him choose to suffer and die on the cross for the sins of God's people.**

**As Peter, Andrew, James and John listened and they watched, God worked in their hearts more and more. Yes, Jesus WAS the Messiah, the Special One sent by God to save His people from their sins. And that's exactly what He had done! What Jesus did next made that all clear.**

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**Jesus was buried in a cave grave that day, but He didn't stay there. On the third day, Jesus rose up from the dead in victory! How happy Peter, Andrew, James, John and the other disciples were!**

**He appeared first to the women who came to the cave grave to care for His body that Sunday morning; then, later that day to His disciples. How happy Peter, Andrew, James, John and the others were! Yes! Jesus really was God's Son, the Savior!**

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**For forty, wonderful days, Jesus spent time with His disciples. He taught them from God's Word and He gave them work to do. "Go into the whole world and teach everyone about Me! Tell them to turn away from their sins and trust in Me as their Savior!" Jesus told them.**

**The disciples were happy to obey. They went out and preached about Jesus from God's Word. And as they preached God's Word, the Holy Spirit used it to work in the hearts of those who listened. Many believed! How happy were Peter, Andrew, James and John to see God use His powerful Word to save so many people!**

**God used these men to preach His Word, but He used them to do something else, too.**

*Can you guess how else He used them?*

**God used them to write down His Word, too. Fisherman Peter wrote down the words to our Bible verse: "You have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God." He knew what it meant for God to use His Word to work in his heart and save him from his sins.**

**Fisherman John wrote down a whole book full of all he had heard Jesus preach and had seen Jesus do. When John finished writing his story of Jesus, he wrote these words: "These things are written that you might believe that Jesus is the Messiah, and be saved, too."**

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**And every word that Peter and John wrote down came out perfectly. Why? Because God's Holy Spirit was at work in them in a special way. He was making John and Peter's words, God's Words, too. He made sure everything written down just right.**

**And now, YOU can read the words that Fisherman Peter and John wrote down in YOUR Bible! They are written down in the books we call the Gospel of John and First and Second Peter. God has used the words they wrote down to help many, many people believe in Jesus and be saved. He can even use them to save you! Ask Him to help you!**



**Cracking the Case:** (story wrap-up for Listening Assignments)

It's time to see how we did with our Listening Assignment.

**Detective Dan's Lesson 1 Listening Assignment:**

**1. Who were the fishermen?** Peter, Andrew, James and John.

**2. What happened to them as they heard God's Word? Who did they follow?**

God's Holy Spirit worked in their hearts and they began to believe in Jesus. They became Jesus' disciples--His special friends who followed Him as He taught God's Word and did amazing things.

**For You and Me:**

God can work in our hearts, too, when we hear God's Word. We can ask our teachers and our parents to help us understand what we hear. We can ask God to work in our hearts and help us to believe in Jesus as our Savior.

**Detective Dan's Lesson 2 Listening Assignment:**

**Our Bible Verse is 1 Peter 1:23:**

"You have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God."

**When we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus, this is called being born again. That's because this is how God gives us a new life as one of His people. God uses His Word, the Bible to do this wonderful thing inside our hearts.**

**1. What happened as the fishermen listened to Jesus teach from God's Word, the Bible?** God's Holy Spirit worked in their hearts and they began to believe in Jesus. They became Jesus' disciples--His special friends who followed Him as He taught God's Word and did amazing things.

**2. What did God's Holy Spirit help some of the fishermen write down? Which of the fishermen wrote down the words to our Bible verse?**

He helped them write down parts of His Word, the Bible. Peter did.

**For You and Me:**

God can work in our hearts, too, when we hear God's Word. We can ask our teachers and our parents to help us understand what we hear. We can ask God to work in our hearts and help us to believe in Jesus as our Savior.

**Detective Dan's Lesson 3 Listening Assignment:**

Our six clues were: a rabbit; a market; a net full of fish; the moon; a bad guy; and, a book.

**1. Which four belong in the story and which two don't?** The market; the net full of fish; the moon and the book were in our story. The rabbit and the bad guy were not.

**2. Who confessed to Jesus that he was a sinful man?**

**What did Jesus do?** Peter confessed that he was a sinful man. Jesus would be Peter's Savior. He asked Peter (and the other fishermen) to come follow Him as His disciples.

**For You and Me:**

Like Peter, we are sinners who need to confess our sins and be forgiven. We can trust in Jesus as our Savior. We can be one of God's dearly loved people. God loves to help us do this! Ask Him!

**The Gospel** (story wrap-up if NOT using Listening Assignments)**Our Bible Truth is:**

**What's So Special about the Bible?**

**It Alone Is God's Word...God uses it to save His people!**

God loves to use His Word to save people. He can use it to save us and make us His people. Take time to listen to God's Word. You can even listen to the stories of Jesus that God used Fisherman John and Fisherman Peter to write down. Ask God to work in your heart as you listen. Ask Him to help you turn away from your sins and trust in Jesus as your Savior! He loves to help us!

*Close in prayer.*

**Closing ACTS Prayer**

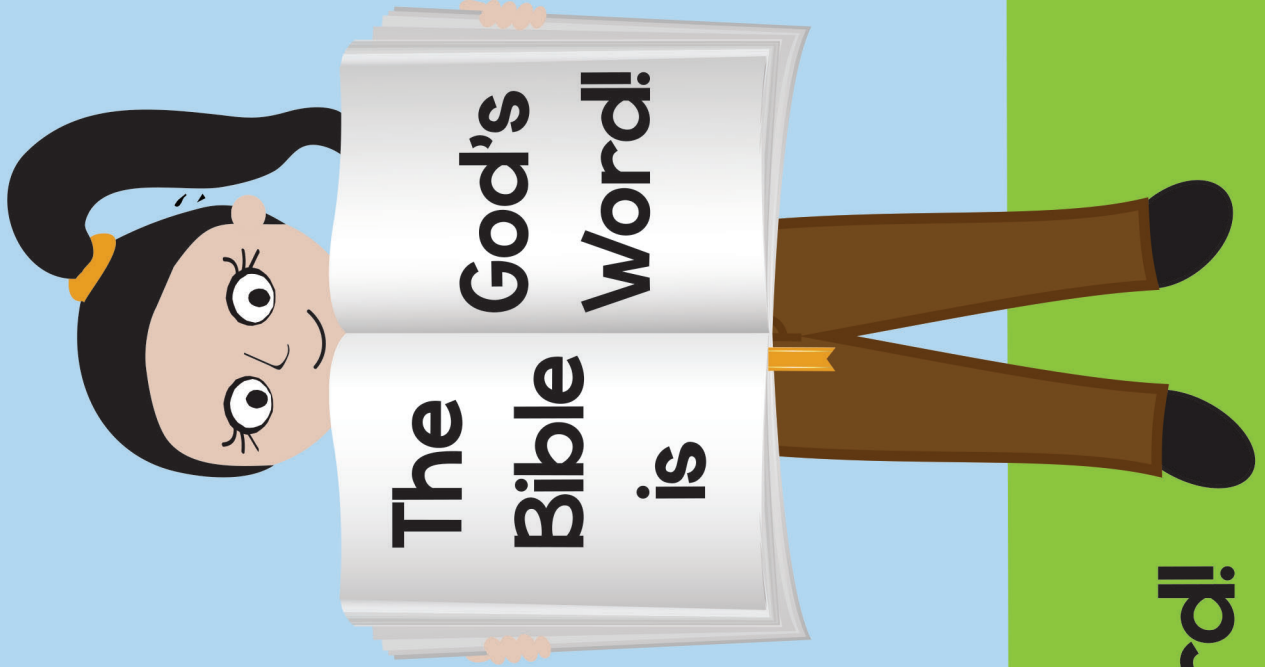
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- T** Thank You for giving us Your Word, the Bible. Thank You for what You tell us about You and about ourselves in it. Thank You for how You use it to save people like us from our sins so we can be Your people.
- S** Work deep inside our hearts as we listen to Your Word, the Bible! Use it to help us turn away from disobeying You and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to love You and live for You.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

BIG QUESTION 2



# What's so special about the Bible?



**ANSWER:**

# It alone is God's Word!

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## The Big Question

*Hold up the Big Question sign for all the children to see,  
and say:*

The Big Question we are investigating today is  
Big Question Number 2:

**What's So Special about the Bible?**

and the Answer is:

**It Alone Is God's Word!**

### **Meaning:**

There are millions of books in the world, but none is like the Bible. It alone is God's perfect Word! God made sure it was written down just right. It tells us everything we need to know God and to live for Him. It is powerful to do everything God wants it to do. Everything else in this world may come and go, but God's Word will last forever. It will always prove true.

Let's sing our Big Question Song: "

## Big Q & A 2 Song

*DDD ESV Songs 2, track 12*

*(adapted version of "Three, Blind Mice")*

What's so special about the Bible?

It alone is God's Word!

It alone is God's Word!

It's always true,

It can make you wise,

It can work pow'rf'ly in your life.

It alone is God's Word!

It alone is God's Word!

# BIG QUESTION 2: Four ways God's Word Is Special

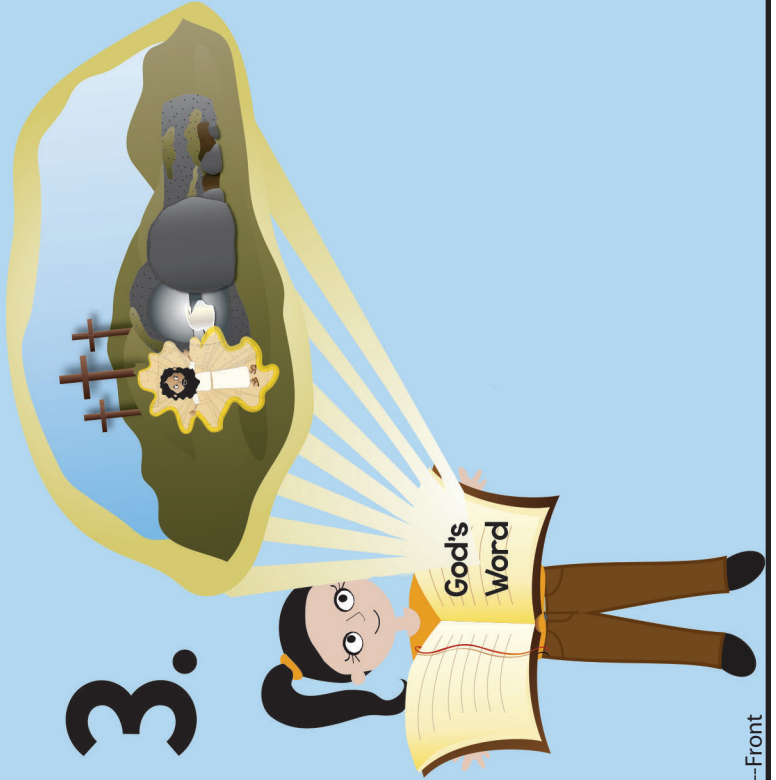
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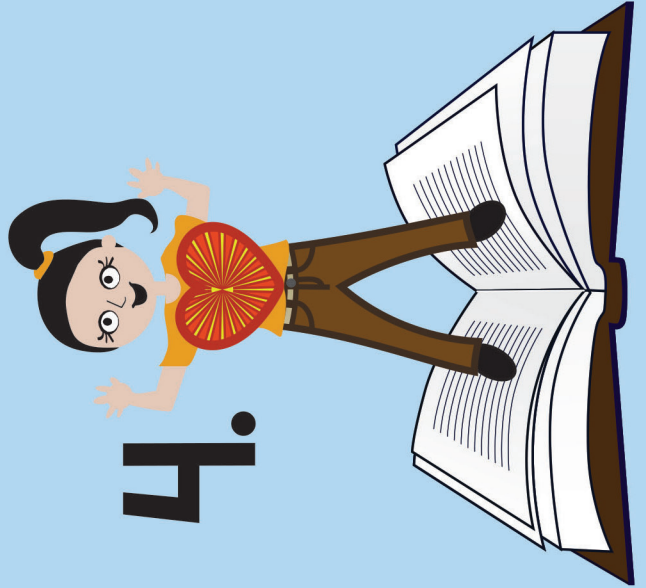
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## This Unit's Bible Truths

"Knowing that the Bible alone is God's Word is a good beginning, but there's so more to learn. So it's time for us to dig down even deeper for more answers to our Big Question about God. We're going to be learning **FOUR** Bible truths that all tell us more about what makes the Bible so special.

Let's look at our Bible Truth Clue and figure out which of these four truths we will be learning about today. Who would like to get it out of the Big Question Briefcase for me?"

*Choose a child to get it out and hand it to you. Then hold it up and show them the pictures of the four truths they will be learning.*

*After everyone has had a good look, say...*

"Ok, we've learned two ways the Bible is so special. They are: God made sure it was written down just right; and, It tells us about God and His plans. (Point to pictures as you identify each Bible Truth.) Now let's look at our Bible Truth Clue and see if we can figure out which of these four truths we will be learning about today. Who would like to get it out of the Big Question Briefcase for me?"

*Choose a child to open the briefcase, take out the Bible Truth Clue and hand it to you.*

CAN YOU GUESS BIBLE TRUTH 3?

What's So Special about the Bible?  
It Alone Is God's Word...

God uses it to ??? us!

HINT: What God does for us  
through Jesus?  
It rhymes with "brave."

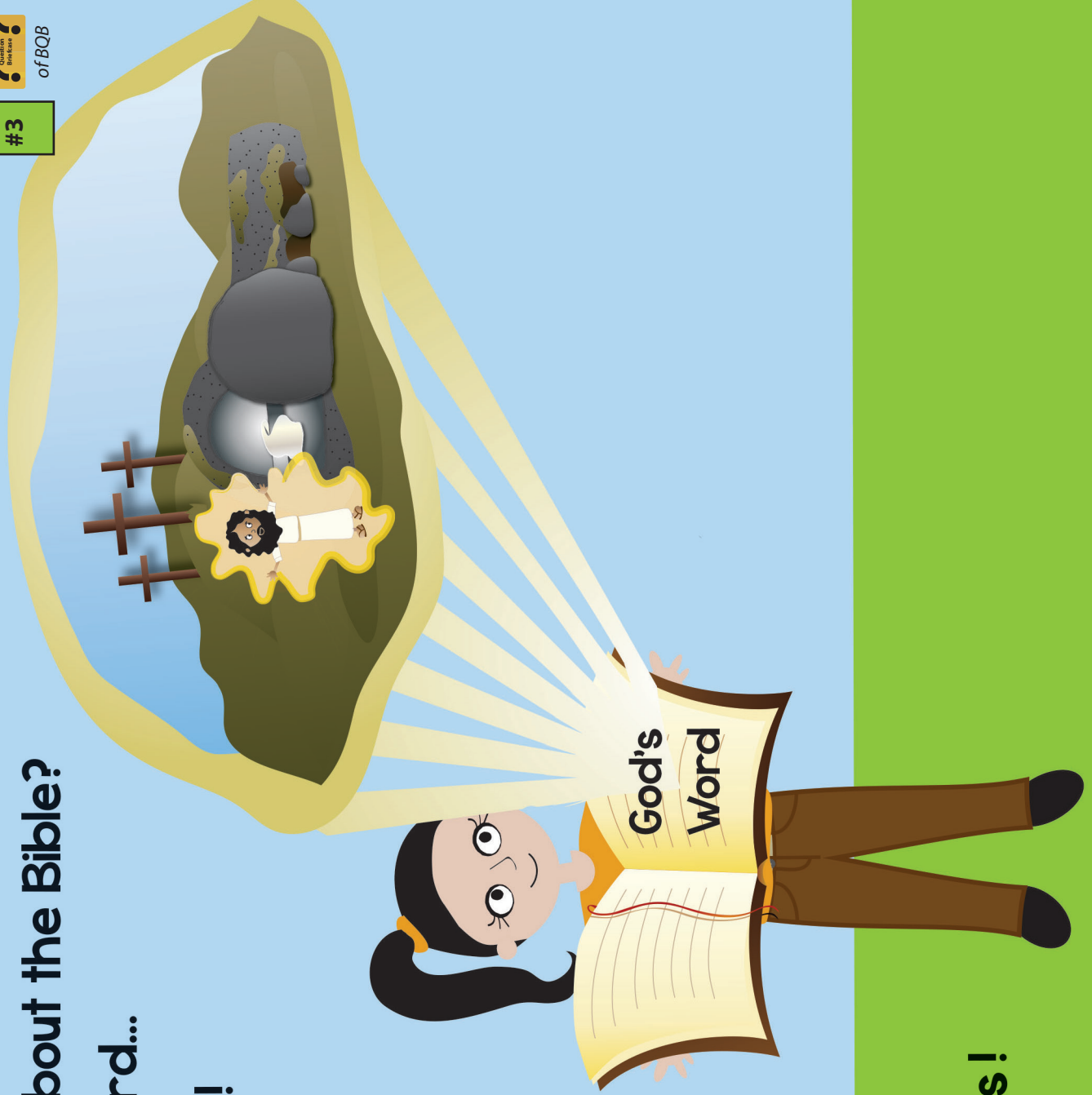
ANSWER:  
God uses it to SAVE us!

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# Revealing the Bible Truth

## We Are Learning

*Hold up the front side for the children to see. Cover up the answer, written along the bottom, and say:*

**“What’s So Special about the Bible?  
It Alone Is God’s Word...  
God uses it to ???? His people!**

We are missing one word. Here’s the hint to what the missing word is. It says: “What is the Bible word for God forgiving our sins and making us His people? It rhymes with “brave?”

Can you guess? It’s save”!

So the Bible Truth we are learning today is:

*(Uncover answer from bottom of sign, show it to them and say:)*

**“What’s So Special about the Bible?  
It Alone Is God’s Word...  
God uses it to SAVE His people!**

And here what this Bible Truth means:

*(read the meaning off of the back of the sign, say:)*

We read books to know things. We read the Bible to know things, too. The Bible tells us about God and His plans to save sinful people like you and me. It tells us that God is good, but that we have all disobeyed Him. It tells us of how Jesus came to save us from our sins. These are very, very good things for us to learn from the Bible.

But the Bible does more than just help us LEARN about God and His plans. God has made it powerful to DO wonderful things inside of us. God uses His Word to save us from our sins and make us His people. God does this through His Holy Spirit, working in our hearts, as we think about His Word. The Holy Spirit helps us to want us to turn to God and ask for His forgiveness. He helps us put our trust in Jesus as our Savior. God loves to work through His Word and save people. He can work through His Word and save us, too. Ask Him!





# Holy Spirit

**"You have been born again,  
not of perishable seed  
but of imperishable,  
through the living and abiding  
word of God." of God."**

**1 Peter 1:23**

## Bible Truth 3 Bible Verse

*Remove the Bible Verse Picture from the "Bible" folder and hold it up for all the children to see, then say:*

**1 Peter 1:23** tells us:

"You have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God."

**Learn a Little:** "You have been born again... through the word of God."

### **What does that mean?**

When we become one of God's people, God calls that being born AGAIN. No, our mothers don't give birth to us again. No, we don't become little babies like we were. But, it IS a new beginning of life. Only this time, it is life with God.

How do we have this new beginning of life with God? God's Holy Spirit works in our hearts, as we think about God's Word. He helps us want to turn away from disobeying God and trust in Jesus as our Savior. We tell God about our sins and He forgives them all. He gives us a new heart that knows Him and loves Him and wants to live for Him.

This new life with God makes us a new person on the inside, in our heart. That's why God says we are born again when we become His people. And the amazing thing about this new life with God is that it never ends. We will NEVER perish! When we die, we will go to live with God forever! God loves to help us have this new life. Ask Him to help you!

*"We've said our Bible verse, now let's sing it!"*

## **For You Have Been Born Again: 1 Peter 1:23**

*DDD ESV Songs 2, track 26*

You have been born again, not of perishable seed,  
But through the living and abiding word of God.  
You have been born again, not of perishable seed,  
But through the living and abiding word of God.  
First Peter One, verse twenty-three.

*"Now it's time to do a bit more deep down investigating. Let's read what Detective Dan wants us to help him figure out. Would someone like to get it out for me?"*

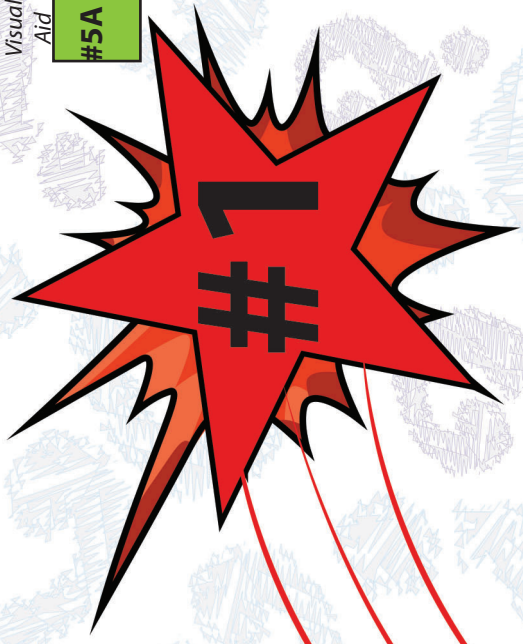
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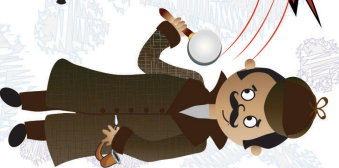


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# Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

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Hi, Deep Down Detectives!

I'm working on a brand-new case called:

**"The Case of the Fishermen Who Followed."**

I need to find out:

1. Who were the fishermen?

AND

2. Who did they follow? What happened to them as they heard God's Word?

Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and you might just hear the answers!

Thanks!

Detective Dan

***Then say,*** "Ok, Deep Down Detectives! Put on your best listening ears and see if you can hear the answers to Detective Dan's questions. When I finish telling the story, we will see if we can answer all of his questions!"

*Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures as you tell it.*

*At the end of the story, repeat the questions and lead the children in answering them. Present the gospel and close in prayer.*

\*Answers to assignment questions, the gospel and ACTS prayer are also included at the end of the story text.\*

Answers:

1. **Who were the fishermen?** Peter, Andrew, James and John.

2. **What happened to them as they heard God's Word?** Who did they follow?

God's Holy Spirit worked in their hearts and they began to believe in Jesus. They became Jesus' disciples—His special friends who followed Him as He taught God's Word and did amazing things.

**For You and Me:**

God can work in our hearts, too, when we hear God's Word. We can ask our teachers and our parents to help us understand what we hear. We can ask God to work in our hearts and help us to believe in Jesus as our Savior.

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# Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

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## Listening Assignment #2



Hi, Deep Down Detectives!

I'm still working on the case called:

**"The Case of the Fishermen Who Followed."**

Our Bible Verse is **1 Peter 1:23:**

**"You have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God."**

When we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus, this is called being born again. That's because this is how God gives us a new life as one of His people. God uses His Word, the Bible to do this wonderful thing inside our hearts.

1. **What happened as the fishermen listened to Jesus teach from God's Word, the Bible?**  
**AND**
2. **What did God's Holy Spirit help some of the fishermen write down? Which of the fishermen wrote down the words to our Bible verse?**

Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and you might just hear the answers!

Thanks for your help!

Detective Dan

**Then say,** "Ok, Deep Down Detectives! Put on your best listening ears and see if you can hear the answers to Detective Dan's questions. When I finish telling the story, we will see if we can answer all of his questions."

*Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures as you tell it. At the end of the story, repeat the questions and lead the children in answering them. Present the gospel and close in prayer.*

\*Answers to assignment questions, the gospel and ACTS prayer are also included at the end of the story text.\*

Answers:

**Our Bible Verse is 1 Peter 1:23:**

**"You have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God."**

**When we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus, this is called being born again. That's because this is how God gives us a new life as one of His people. God uses His Word, the Bible to do this wonderful thing inside our hearts.**

1. **What happened as the fishermen listened to Jesus teach from God's Word, the Bible?** God's Holy Spirit worked in their hearts and they began to believe in Jesus. They became Jesus' disciples--His special friends who followed Him as He taught God's Word and did amazing things.
2. **What did God's Holy Spirit help some of the fishermen write down? Which of the fishermen wrote down the words to our Bible verse?** He helped them write down parts of His Word, the Bible. Peter did.

**For You and Me:**

God can work in our hearts, too, when we hear God's Word. We can ask our teachers and our parents to help us understand what we hear. We can ask God to work in our hearts and help us to believe in Jesus as our Savior.

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# Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #3

# Detective Dan's

## Listening Assignment #3



Hi, Deep Down Detectives!

I'm still working on the case called:

"The Case of the Fishermen Who Followed."

I found SIX clues, but TWO of them are NOT in the story.

They are: a rabbit; a market; a net full of fish; the moon; a bad guy; and, a book.

*Hold up each of the six pictures for the children to see as you identify them. Better yet, put them up on your flannelgraph board, off to one side.*

I need to know:

1. Which FOUR pictures belong in the story and which TWO do NOT?

2. Who confessed to Jesus that he was a sinful man? What did Jesus do?

Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and you might just hear the answers!

Thanks!

Detective Dan

**Then say,** "Ok, Deep Down Detectives! Put on your best listening ears and see if you can hear the answers to Detective Dan's questions. When I finish telling the story, we will see if we can answer all of his questions."

*Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures as you tell it. At the end of the story, repeat the questions and lead the children in answering them. Present the gospel and close in prayer.*

\*Answers to assignment questions, the gospel and ACTS prayer are also included at the end of the story text.\*

Answers:

1. Which four belong in the story and which two don't?

The market; the net full of fish; the moon and the book were in our story. The rabbit and the bad guy were not.

2. Who confessed to Jesus that he was a sinful man? What did Jesus do? Peter confessed that he was a sinful man. Jesus would be Peter's Savior. He asked Peter (and the other fishermen) to come follow Him as His disciples.

**For You and Me:**

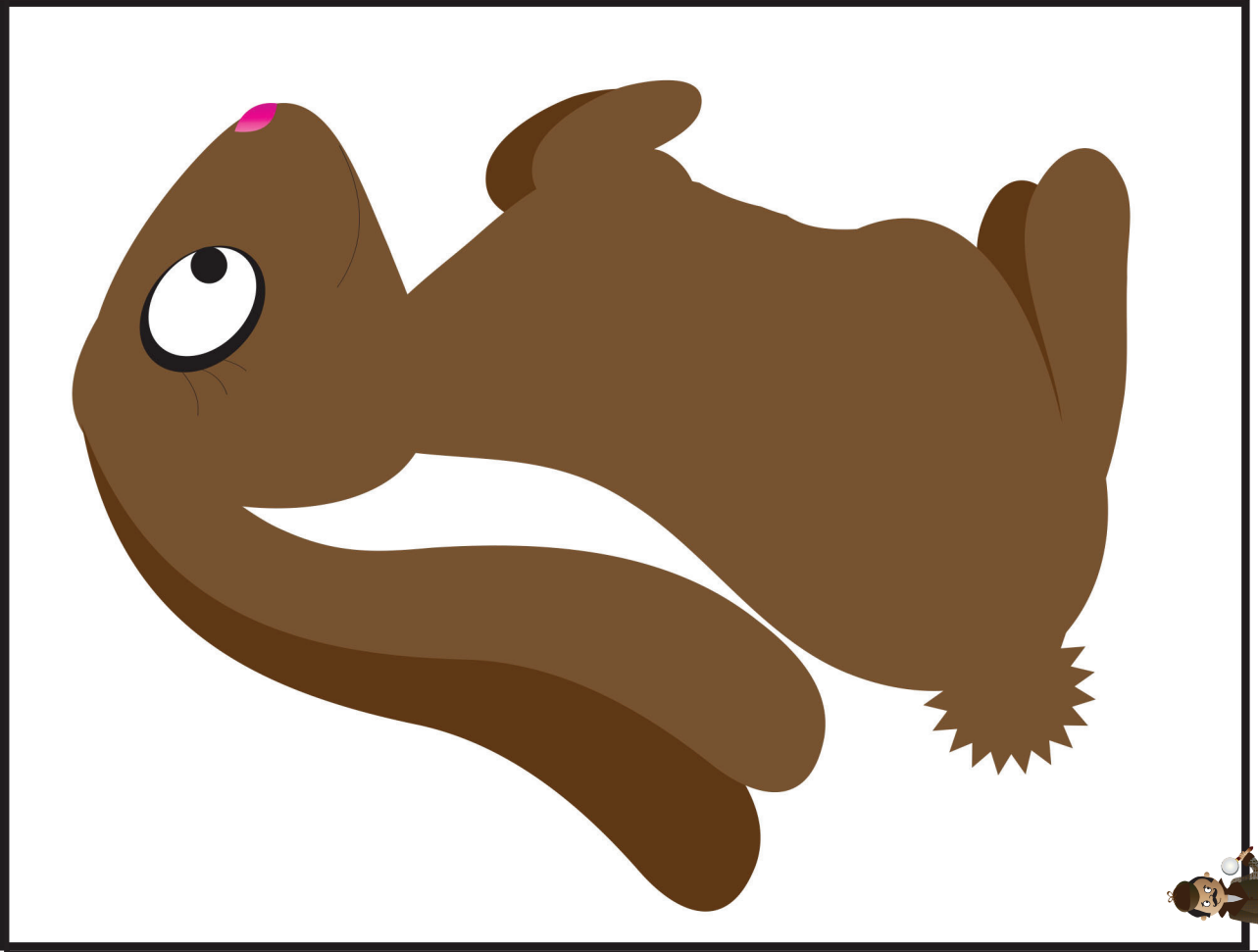
Like Peter, we are sinners who need to confess our sins and be forgiven. We can trust in Jesus as our Savior. We can be one of God's dearly loved people. God loves to help us do this! Ask Him!



# A Market



# A Rabbit



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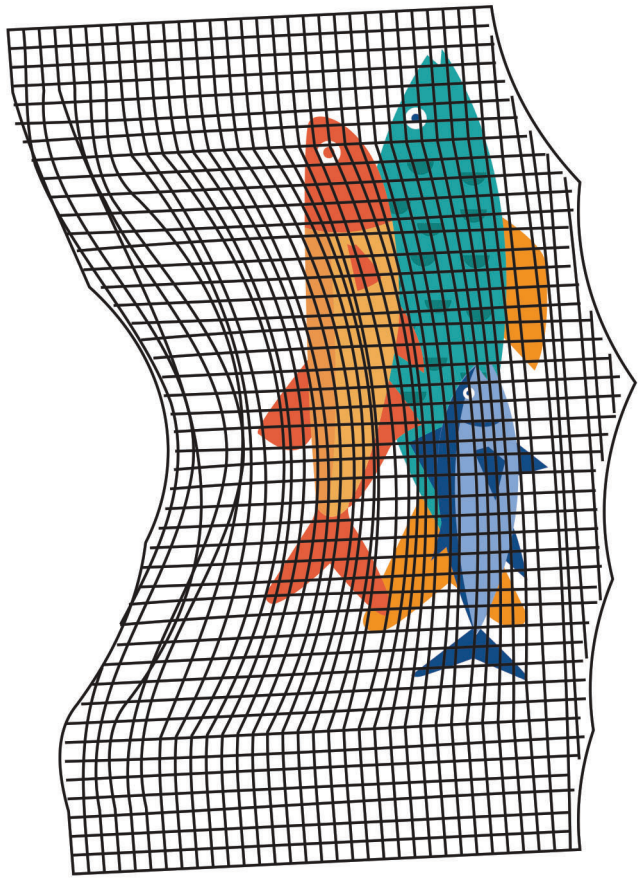
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The Moon



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A Net Full of Fish



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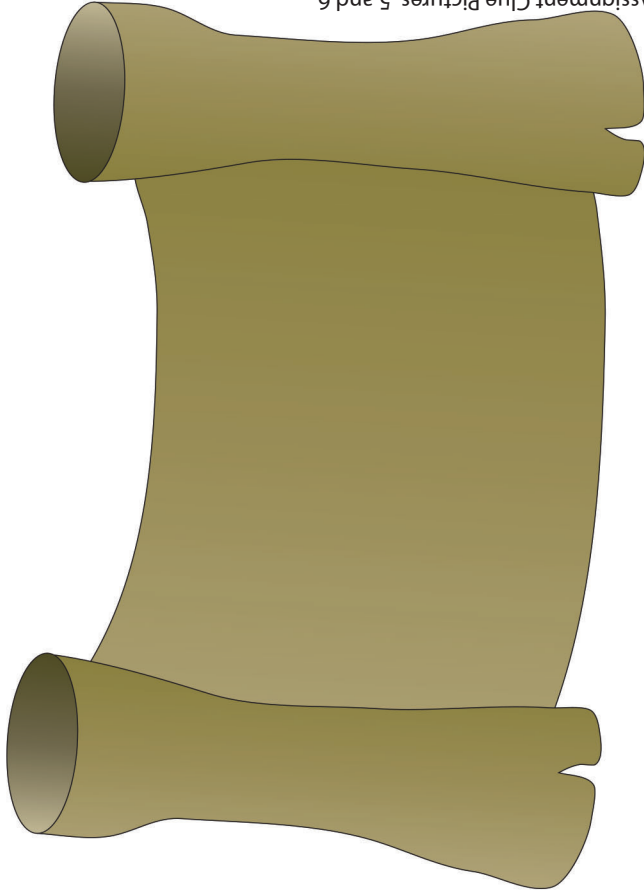
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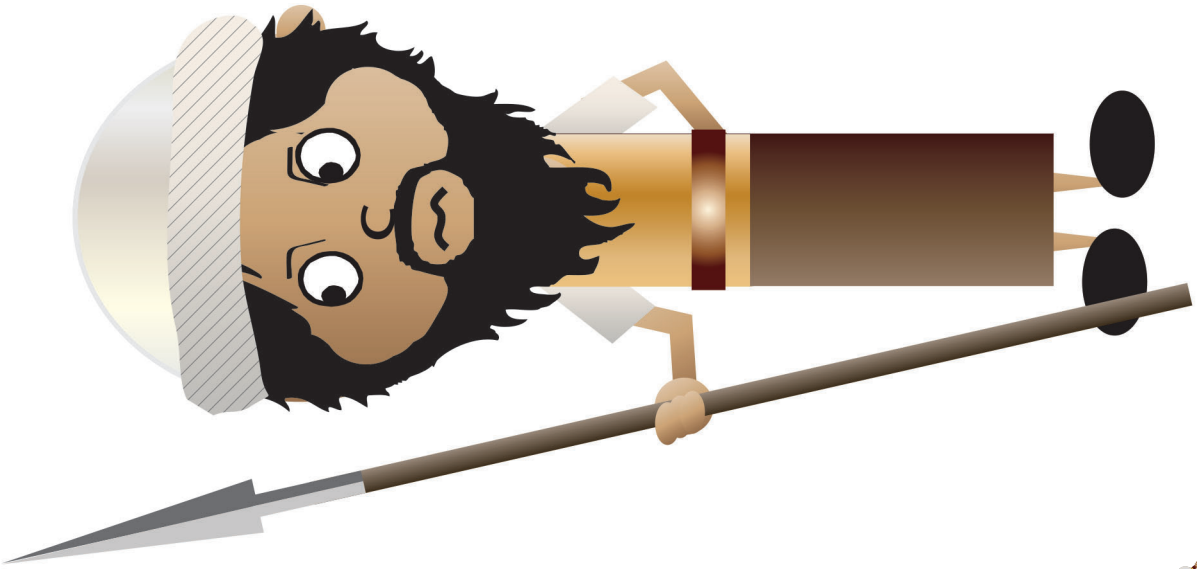
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# A Book



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# A Bad Guy



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