

DEEP DOWN DETECTIVES



**Unit 14,
Bible Truth 3
Visual Aids
and
Story Scene Pictures**

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 manilla 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 manilla 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 14: The God Who Delights in Our Prayers

Unit Big Question (and Answer): How Does God Want Us to Pray?
Every Night and Day!!

Unit Bible Verse: "The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." -- Philippians 4:5,6, ESV

Bible Truth 3 Concept: He Wants Us to Thank Him

Prayer is talking to God and listening to Him. Prayer is a little taste of the forever happiness God's people will have with Him in heaven. When God's people pray, they thank God for what He has done.

There are so many things God's people can thank Him for. He keeps the world going, every day and night. He provides them with food, friends, and family. He gives them the Holy Spirit to comfort them and help them do whatever good things He wants them to do. He answers their prayers. Best of all, He has taken away the punishment they deserved for their sins when Jesus suffered and died on the cross for them. In heaven, God's people will thank God forever and ever. They will never run out of things to thank God for.

We can become God's people, too, when we turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior. Then we can thank Him for being our Savior, too!

Bible Truth 3 Bible Verse: Psalm 107:8, NIV 1984

"Give thanks to the LORD for His unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men."

Learn a Little: "Give thanks to the LORD."

Meaning

God's people have so much to thank Him for! Every day they see His unfailing love in His good gifts to them. Every day they thank Him for wonderful deeds for His people. And what is the one they thank Him for most of all? That He sent His Son Jesus to die to save them! What a lot God's people have to thank Him for!

Bible Truth 3 ACTS Prayer

- A** We praise You, God, for being so good to us. You fill our lives with so many good gifts! You make the way for us to be Your people.
- C** God, so often we forget just how good You have been to us. We forget that the good gifts we enjoy each day come from You. We forget how amazing it is that You would save us and make us Your people through Jesus. How ungrateful we are! Oh, how we need a Savior!
- T** Thank You for continuing to be so good to us, even when we forget to be grateful to You. Thank You for all of Your good gifts that we enjoy each day. Thank You, especially, for sending Jesus to be our Savior, so we can become Your people.
- S** God, work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to see more of Your good gifts and thank You for them. In Jesus' name, we pray, Amen.

Bible Truth 3 Story

The Case of the Wet and Wild Thank You
Jonah

Songs Used in Bible Truth 3

Big Q & A 14 Song

Big Question 14 Song: How Does God Want Us to Pray?

Big Question 14 Bible Verse Song: Don't Be Anxious Philippians 4:5-6, ESV

Extra Big Question 14 Bible Verse Song: The Lord Is at Hand Philippians 4:5-6, ESV

Extra Big Question 14 Bible Verse Song: At Hand Philippians 4:5-6, ESV

Extra Big Question 14 Bible Verse Song: When You Pray Say Father Luke 11:2-4, ESV

Big Question 14 Hymn: What a Friend We Have in Jesus v.1

Big Question 14 Praise Song: Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

Bible Truth 3 Bible Verse Song: Give Thanks Psalm 107:8, NIV 1984

Bible Truth 3 Extra Bible Verse: Give Thanks to the LORD Psalm 105:1,2, ESV

Bible Truth 3 Extra Bible Verse: Bless the LORD, O My Soul Psalm 103:1-5, ESV

listen to or download songs for free at <https://praisefactory.org>: Deep Down Detectives Music page

The Case of the Wet and Wild Thank You*Jonah***Story-telling Tips**

Ahead of time:

1. Read the Bible verses and story. Pray!
2. Choose story action cues and prepare storyboard figures/Story Scenes, if using. (In Visual Aids book)
3. Practice telling story with the storyboard figures/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 storyboard figures/add story action cues/hold up Story Scenes 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.
4. Watch the kids for signs that their attention span has been reached. Shorten, if necessary.

INTRODUCTION/ LISTENING ASSIGNMENTS

“Our story is called: The Case of the Wet and Wild Thank You. Here is your listening assignment... ” *Read the assignment for your lesson using Detective Dan’s Listening Assignment sign or the text below:*

Detective Dan’s Lesson #1 Listening Assignment:

I need to know:

- 1. Who got wet in the wild storm? Why did he get so wet?**
- 2. What did he thank God for doing?**

Detective Dan’s Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:**Our Bible Verse is Psalm 107:8, NIV 1984***“Give thanks to the LORD for His unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men.”*

I need to know:

- 1. Who had something wonderful to thank God for? What was it?**
- 2. How did the LORD show His unfailing love to him?**

Detective Dan’s Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:I found six clues, but two of them are **NOT** in the story.

They are: a picture, a big fish, a bad guy from Nineveh, a big storm, a sailor, and a car.

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

I need to know:

- 1. Which four belong in the story and which two don’t?**
- 2. Who thanked God for wet rescuing him? What did God do to rescue him?**

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.

Answers to questions; the gospel; and, ACTS prayer are included with the story text.

The Case of the Wet and Wild Thank You *Jonah**Story with lines separating paragraphs (text in bold, optional interaction cues in italics)*

Jonah was a prophet, a special messenger of the LORD. Prophets were SUPPOSED to tell the LORD's messages, so people would obey Him. But this time, Jonah wanted to keep his mouth SHUT!

"Go to Nineveh, the big city of the Assyrians, your enemies. I have a message for them," the LORD had told Jonah. "Tell them: 'I've seen all the terrible things you have done. In forty days, I'm going to punish you,'" the LORD said.

"No, I don't want to go!" thought Jonah. "The LORD wants the people of Nineveh to hear His warning, so they will turn away from their sins and not be punished," Jonah guessed. "They are Assyrians, our mean enemies. What terrible things they've done to us, the people of Israel," Jonah exclaimed. "I don't want the LORD to have mercy on them! I want Him to punish them NOW! I am NOT going to Nineveh. I am NOT going to give them the LORD's message. I'm going to run far, far away instead!" he decided.

Uh, oh! Was this a good idea? Can anyone really run away from God and His good plans?

What do you think?

Jonah certainly thought he could!

So, Jonah went to Joppa, by the sea. He found a boat headed to Tarshish --a city about as far away from Nineveh as he could get. He paid for his ticket and got on board. Jonah was going to escape from the LORD and escape from his job. No, sir! He would not be part of the LORD's plan of mercy this time.

But Jonah was wrong! No one can escape from the LORD—no matter how hard they try. The LORD is everywhere, all the time. He knows everything there is to know. There is no escaping from Him and His good plans! The LORD knew exactly what Jonah was up to. He knew that Jonah was disobeying Him.

Yes, the LORD knew Jonah inside and out! He knew Jonah hated the people of Nineveh. Jonah was acting like he had no sin that deserved God's punishment. Was Jonah right? Was he without sin? Was he better than the people of Nineveh?

What do you think?

Jonah was very wrong!

The truth was that Jonah deserved God's punishment for his own sins, just as much as the people of Nineveh deserved it for theirs. He had chosen to disobey the LORD, just like they had. Yes, Jonah needed to confess his sins and ask for the LORD's mercy, just like they did.

Jonah didn't understand this yet, but the LORD was going to teach this to him, as Jonah was just about to find out.

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

Out at sea, Jonah soon fell asleep. He was on his way to Tarshish. Now he could relax, or so he thought.

Suddenly, a big storm struck. “Whoosh, boom, bang, slap!” went the strong wind on the sails and the big waves on the sides of the boat. Up and down, side to side, the boat was tossed in the storm. It would sink if something wasn’t done quickly!

The sailors were terrified. “Help us! Help us!” they each cried out to their gods. But their gods were just fake gods. They couldn’t stop the storm or help the sailors. “Whoosh, boom, bang, slap!” The waves kept splashing up high and the winds kept blowing as strong as ever.

The sailors decided to throw things off the boat. Maybe this would keep it from sinking. Off went barrels and ropes, riggings, and supplies. Would this be enough to keep the ship from sinking? No, try as they may, this still was not enough. The sailors were losing all hope. They would surely drown. Were they right? Was there no one who could help them?

What do you think?

But there WAS who could help, and only Jonah knew who it was. It was the LORD. He had brought this big storm and it was only He who could help them out of it.

The sailors found Jonah asleep and woke him up. Perhaps his god could help them, they hoped. “Get up, Jonah! Cry out to your god! Perhaps he will help us!” the sailors pleaded with Jonah.

Jonah knew the LORD could help them, but it would take more than praying to Him for this storm to stop. “The LORD has brought this storm upon us because I have disobeyed Him,” he told them. “I have a message from Him that I was supposed to give, but I ran away instead,” he explained. “You must throw me off the ship if you want the storm to stop,” he said.

The sailors didn’t want to throw Jonah off the ship. They knew he would die in the big waves. But they knew they would all die if they didn’t. What should they do?

What do you think they will do?

They had no choice. The storm was getting worse and worse. So, they threw Jonah overboard into the big, swirling waves. And as soon as they did, the sea grew calm. Jonah’s God was God. But Jonah was headed down, down, down, into the depths of the sea.

The LORD would have been right to let Jonah die in that storm and Jonah knew it. Jonah had refused to obey Him on purpose. But the LORD treats His people better than they could ever deserve. Jonah cried out to the LORD to rescue him, even as he was drowning for disobeying Him. Would the LORD help Jonah, or was it too late?

What do you think?

No, it was not too late! Instead of letting Jonah die, the LORD sent a giant fish to swallow Jonah, keeping him safe and alive inside its big belly.

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

For three days and three nights, Jonah lay in that yucky, fish belly. And as he lay there, he thought about what had happened. Jonah thought about how he had disobeyed the LORD. He thought about how he had deserved God's punishment. And, he thought about how God had kindly rescued him with the big fish.

The LORD was giving Jonah a chance to turn away from his sins and obey Him, and Jonah took it! How merciful the LORD had been to him! How grateful Jonah was! So right there, in the belly of that fish, Jonah prayed to the LORD a prayer of thanks. "I was sinking down in the stormy waters about to die," Jonah said to the LORD. "I deserved Your punishment, but You rescued me when I prayed to You. Thank you, LORD, for saving me!"

The LORD heard Jonah's prayer. He knew his heart had changed. The LORD spoke to the fish and it swam near the beach and spit Jonah out upon the dry land.

Jonah was so thankful that the LORD had saved him! He knew didn't deserve it. Now he was ready to obey the LORD. He would go to Nineveh and give the people the LORD's message. He would give them the chance to be spared God's punishment, even though THEY didn't deserve it.

So, off went Jonah to Nineveh. Over the hills of Israel, then through dry, wilderness lands he travelled. At last, he could see the great walls of Nineveh, that big city full of their mean enemies.

Jonah walked around Nineveh's great walls, then into the city to find the king. "The LORD says: 'I've seen what you and your people have been up to. I've seen all the terrible things you've done. In forty days, I'm going to punish you for them,' Jonah told him.

And what would the king do? They worshiped fake gods, not the LORD. Would he really believe this message from the LORD?

What do you think he did?

Yes, he did! He believed the LORD's message and turned away from his evil ways. He ordered the people, to repent, also. "Let all the people and even all the animals, put on clothes of sadness," the king of Nineveh ordered. "Let no one eat or drink but spend all your time praying to the LORD. Turn away from your sins. Perhaps He will have mercy and not punish us now," he exclaimed.

The people obeyed. Everyone put on the scratchy sackcloth, the clothes of sadness. They even put it on their animals. For forty, long days, they prayed and prayed. "LORD, have mercy, LORD, have mercy," they pleaded. But would He? Would the LORD really have mercy on them?

What do you think?

Yes, He would! Day Forty came and the LORD did NOT punish them. Oh, how the people of Nineveh must have thanked the LORD that day! They had deserved His punishment, but He chose to have mercy on them. What an amazing God is the LORD!

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 got wet in the wild storm? Why did he get so wet? Jonah did. He was thrown into the sea when he admitted that his sin against the LORD was the reason for the storm.

2. What did he thank God for doing? For not letting him drown in the sea, but rescuing him with the big fish. God was merciful to Jonah.

For You and Me:

We may never get thrown into a stormy sea or need God to rescue us from being swallowed by a huge fish. But, there is still something we need God to rescue us from. Something BIGGER than the stormy sea. We need Him to rescue us from the punishment we deserve from Him for our sins! God provides us that rescue through Jesus when we turn away from our sins and trust in Him as our Savior. And if we do, we will have far more than Jonah did to thank God for!

Detective Dan's Lesson 2 Listening Assignment:**Our Bible Verse is: Psalm 107:8, NIV 1984**

"Give thanks to the LORD for His unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men."

1. Who had something wonderful to thank God for? What was it? Jonah. For rescuing him from dying in the sea.

2. How did the LORD show His unfailing love to him? He rescued Jonah and gave him another chance to obey Him.

For You and Me:

We may never get thrown into a stormy sea or need God to rescue us from being swallowed by a huge fish. But, there is still something we need God to rescue us from. Something BIGGER than the stormy sea. We need Him to rescue us from the punishment we deserve from Him for our sins! God provides us that rescue through Jesus when we turn away from our sins and trust in Him as our Savior. And if we do, we will have far more than Jonah did to thank God for!

Detective Dan's Lesson 3 Listening Assignment:

Our six clues were: a picture, a big fish, a bad guy from Nineveh, a big storm, a sailor, and a car.

1. Which four belong in our story? The big fish, bad guy from Nineveh, big storm and sailor belong. The picture and the car do not.

2. Who thanked God for rescuing him? What did God do to rescue him? Jonah did. He didn't let him drown in the stormy sea. He sent a big fish to swallow him and keep him save.

For You and Me:

We may never get thrown into a stormy sea or need God to rescue us from being swallowed by a huge fish. But, there is still something we need God to rescue us from. Something BIGGER than the stormy sea. We need Him to rescue us from the punishment we deserve from Him for our sins! God provides us that rescue through Jesus when we turn away from our sins and trust in Him as our Savior. And if we do, we will have far more than Jonah did to thank God for!

The Gospel (story wrap-up if NOT using Listening Assignments)**Our Bible Truth is:****How Does God Want Us to Pray?****Every Night and Day...****He Wants Us to Thank Him!**

How does God want us to pray? Every night and day... He wants us to thank Him. There are many things God's people can thank God for. They know that He is the one who gives them everything good that they enjoy.

But the thing that God's people thank God for most of all, is saving them from their sins and making them His people. How amazing it was that God would send Jesus to die on the cross and take the punishment they deserved from God for their sins. He helped them turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior.

If we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior, God will forgive us and save us, too. Then, we will be able to join all of God's people in thanking God for saving us!

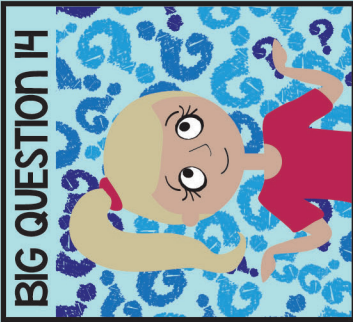
Close in prayer.

Closing ACTS Prayer

- A** We praise You, God, for being so good to us. You fill our lives with so many good gifts! You make the way for us to be Your people.
- C** God, so often we forget just how good You have been to us. We forget that the good gifts we enjoy each day come from You. We forget how amazing it is that You would save us and make us Your people through Jesus. How ungrateful we are! Oh, how we need a Savior!
- T** Thank You for continuing to be so good to us, even when we forget to be grateful to You. Thank You for all of Your good gifts that we enjoy each day. Thank You, especially, for sending Jesus to be our Savior, so we can become Your people.
- S** God, work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to see more of Your good gifts and thank You for them. In Jesus' name, we pray, Amen.

Go to Lesson Plan, p.9 for the script to the rest of the lesson.

How does God want us to pray?



ANSWER:

Every night and day... all the time!

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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 14:

How Does God Want Us to Pray?

and the Answer is:
Every Night and Day...

Meaning:

Prayer is talking and listening to God. It's how God's people enjoy more of the special closeness they have with Him. It is a little bit like the forever happiness they will have with God when they live with Him in heaven.

God's people pray to God every night and day...and many times in between. There is so much to talk to Him about and God always wants to listen!

God's people tell God how wonderful He is. They say sorry for how they have disobeyed Him. They thank Him for all He's done for them and others. They ask Him to do great things. God's people want to stay close to God because He is the most wonderful person that anyone can ever know.

Let's sing our Big Question Song:"

Big Q & A H Song

DDD ESV Songs 14, track 12

(adapted version of "Old MacDonald Had a Farm")

How does God want us to pray?

Ev'ry night and day!

How does God want us to pray?

Ev'ry night and day!

Ev'ry night, ev'ry day,

Ev'ry night, ev'ry day,

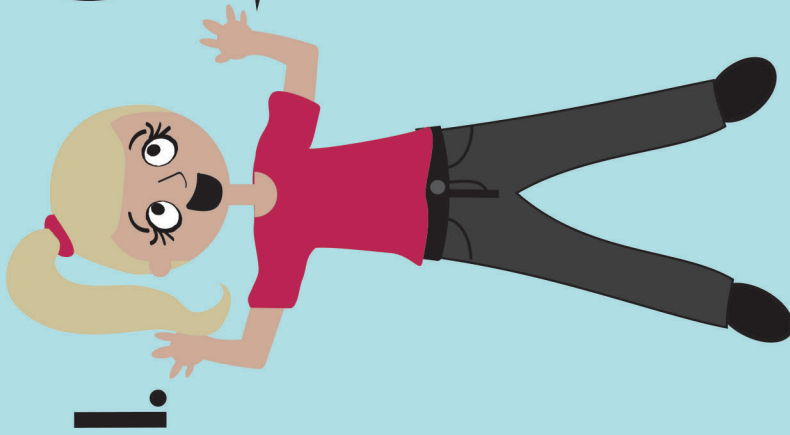
Ev'ry night and day!

How does God want us to pray?

Ev'ry night and day!

BIG QUESTION 14: Four truths about how we can pray

1. I PRAISE YOU, GOD!



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THANK YOU, GOD!



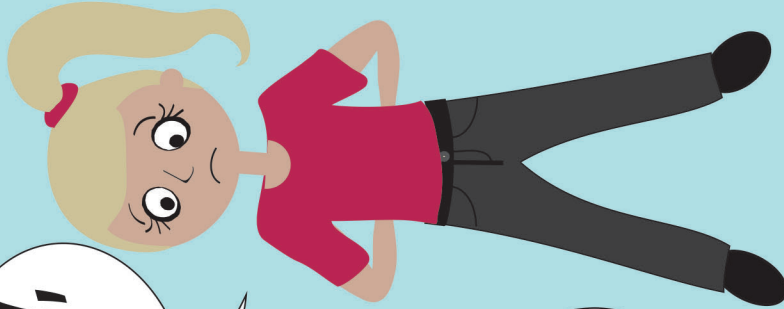
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PLEASE, GOD!



2. SORRY, GOD!

2.



Visual Aid



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This Unit's Bible Truths

"Every Night and Day!" 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 how God wants us to pray.

Who would like to hand me the picture with our four Bible truths on it? It's in the Big Question Box/Briefcase."

Choose a child to get it 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 truths about how God wants us to pray. They are: "He Wants Us to Praise Him" and, "He Wants Us to Confess Our Sins to Him" (point to pictures as you identify each Bible Truth). Now let's look at our Bible Truth Clue sign 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 sign and hand it to you.

CAN YOU GUESS BIBLE TRUTH 3:

How Does God
Want Us to Pray?
Every Night and
Day...

He wants us to
???? to Him!

HINT: This is what you say to
someone when they do something
nice for you. This word starts
with the letter "p" and it rhymes
with "plank."

ANSWER:
He wants us to THANK Him!



Visual
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#3

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:

“How Does God Want Us to Pray?

Every Night and Day...

He Wants Us to ???? Him!”

We’re missing one word. Here’s the hint to what the missing word is. It says: This is what you say to someone when they do something nice for you. This word starts with the letter “P” and it rhymes with “plank.”

Can you guess? It’s “Thank.”

So, the Bible Truth we are learning today is:

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

“How Does God Want Us to Pray?

Every Night and Day...

He Wants Us to THANK Him!”

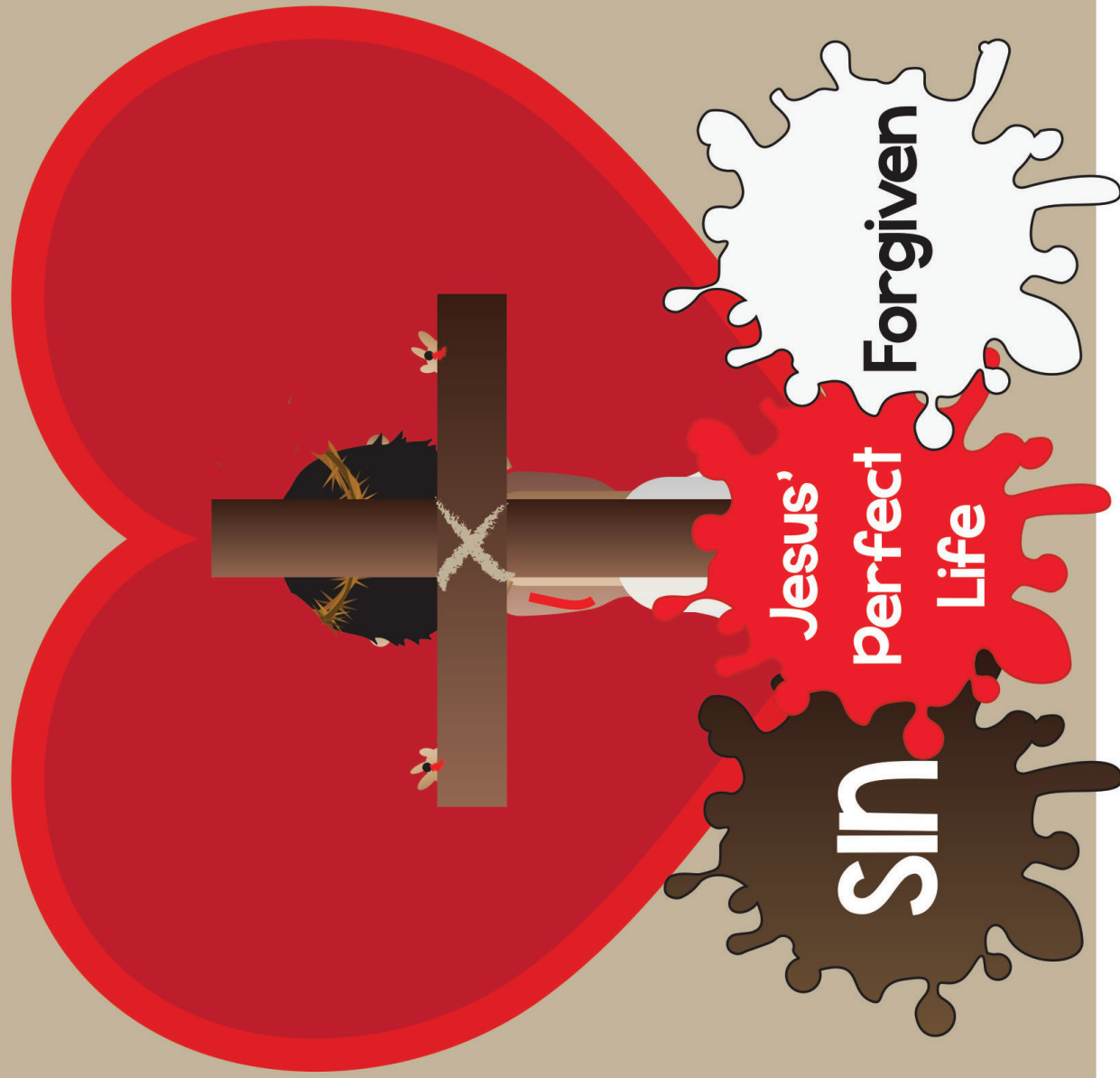
And here is what this Bible Truth means:

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

Prayer is talking to God and listening to Him. Prayer is a little taste of the forever happiness God’s people will have with Him in heaven. When God’s people pray, they thank God for what He has done.

There are so many things God’s people can thank Him for. He keeps the world going, every day and night. He provides them with food, friends, and family. He gives them the Holy Spirit to comfort them and help them do whatever good things He wants them to do. He answers their prayers. Best of all, He has taken away the punishment they deserved for their sins when Jesus suffered and died on the cross for them. In heaven, God’s people will thank God forever and ever. They will never run out of things to thank God for.

We can become God’s people, too, when we turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior. Then we can thank Him for being our Savior, too!



“Give thanks to the LORD for His unflinching love and his wonderful deeds for men.”
Psalms 107:8, NIV 1984

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:

Psalm 107:8 tells us:

Psalm 107:8, NIV 1984

"Give thanks to the LORD for His unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men."

Learn a Little: "Give thanks to the LORD."

What does that mean?

God's people have so much to thank the LORD for! What wondrous works He has done for them! He sent Jesus to be their Savior and forgive all their sins. He sent His Holy Spirit to live inside of them and help them love Him and live for Him! And one day, they will all go to live with Him forever.

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

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

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Give Thanks to the Lord:

Psalm 105:1,2, ESV

DDD ESV Songs 14, track 28

Give thanks to the LORD, give thanks,
Call upon His name;
Make known His deeds
among the peoples, peoples.
Tell all His wondrous works!
Glory in His holy name,
Let the hearts of those who seek the LORD
Rejoice, rejoice!
Psalm One-o-five, one through three.

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

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Visual Aid



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

Detective Dan's

Listening Assignment #1



Hi, Deep Down Detectives!

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

“The Case of the Wet and Wild Thank You.”

I need to find out:

1. Who got wet in the wild storm? Why did he get so wet?

AND

2. What did he thank God for doing?

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 got wet in the wild storm? Why did he get so wet? Jonah did. He was thrown into the sea when he admitted that his sin against the LORD was the reason for the storm.

2. What did he thank God for doing? For not letting him drown in the sea, but rescuing him with the big fish. God was merciful to Jonah.

For You and Me:

We may never get thrown into a stormy sea or need God to rescue us from being swallowed by a huge fish. But, there is still something we need God to rescue us from. Something BIGGER than the stormy sea. We need Him to rescue us from the punishment we deserve from Him for our sins! God provides us that rescue through Jesus when we turn away from our sins and trust in Him as our Savior. And if we do, we will have far more than Jonah did to thank God for!

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Detective Dan's

Listening Assignment #2



Hi, Deep Down Detectives!

I'm still working on the case called:

"The Case of the Wet and Wild Thank You."

Our Bible Verse is Our Bible Verse is Psalm 107:8, NIV 1984

"Give thanks to the LORD for His unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men."

I need to find out:

1. Who had something wonderful to thank God for? What was it?

AND

2. How did the LORD show His unfailing love to him?

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

Thanks for your help!

Detective Dan

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

Answers:

Our Bible Verse is Our Bible Verse is Psalm 107:8, NIV 1984

"Give thanks to the LORD for His unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men."

I need to find out:

1. Who did Jesus promise to send to His disciples to help them know God and live for Him? The Holy Spirit.

2. What did this Helper give Jesus' disciples wisdom to do? To know God; to know how God wanted them to live; and, to know what to say as they told others about Jesus.

For You and Me:

God sent His Holy Spirit to live inside Jesus' disciples who lived long ago. He gave them so many good gifts, including wisdom to know Him and to know what to tell others about Jesus. He promises those gifts to us today, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Then, God's Holy Spirit will come into our hearts and give us wisdom, too! What a wonderful gift!

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #3

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Listening Assignment #3



Hi, Deep Down Detectives!

I'm still working on the case called:

“The Case of the Wet and Wild Thank You.”

I found SIX clues, but TWO of them are NOT in the story. They are: a picture, a big fish, a bad guy from Nineveh, a big storm, a sailor, and a car.

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 thanked God for rescuing him? What did God do to rescue him?

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Answers:

1. Which four belong in our story?

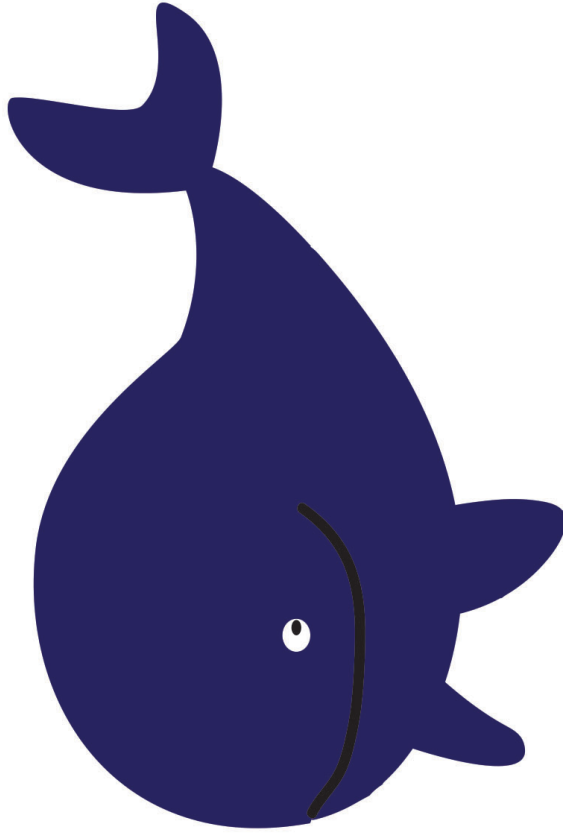
The big fish, bad guy from Nineveh, big storm and sailor belong. The picture and the car do not.

2. Who thanked God for rescuing him? What did God do to rescue him?
Jonah did. He didn't let him drown in the stormy sea. He sent a big fish to swallow him and keep him safe.

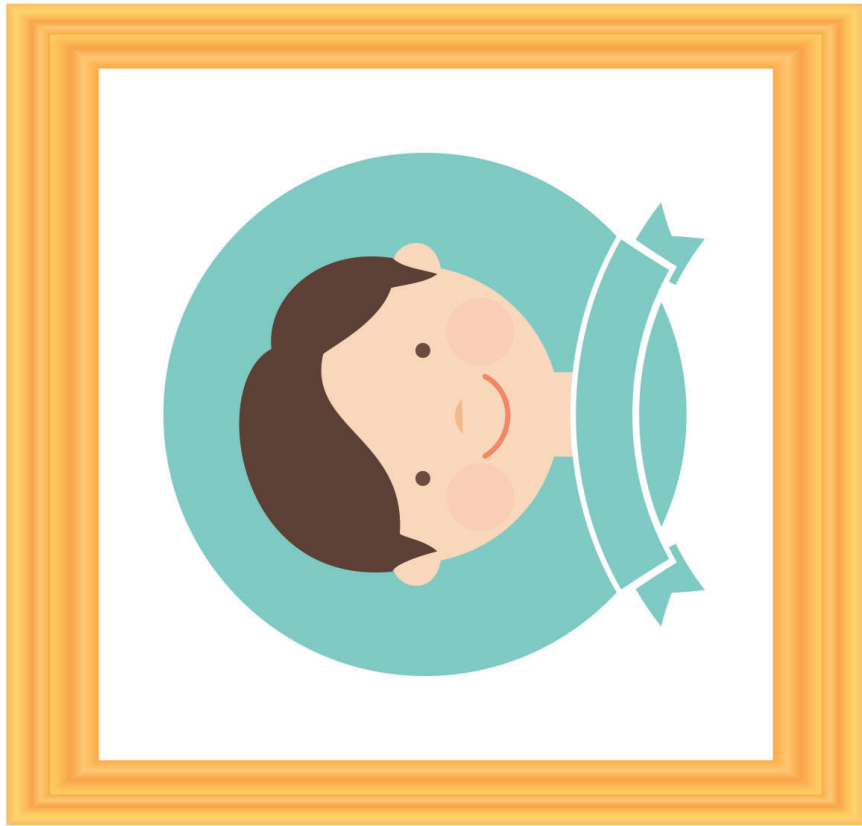
For You and Me:

We may never get thrown into a stormy sea or need God to rescue us from being swallowed by a huge fish. But, there is still something we need God to rescue us from. Something BIGGER than the stormy sea. We need Him to rescue us from the punishment we deserve from Him for our sins! God provides us that rescue through Jesus when we turn away from our sins and trust in Him as our Savior. And if we do, we will have far more than Jonah did to thank God for!

A Big Fish



A Picture



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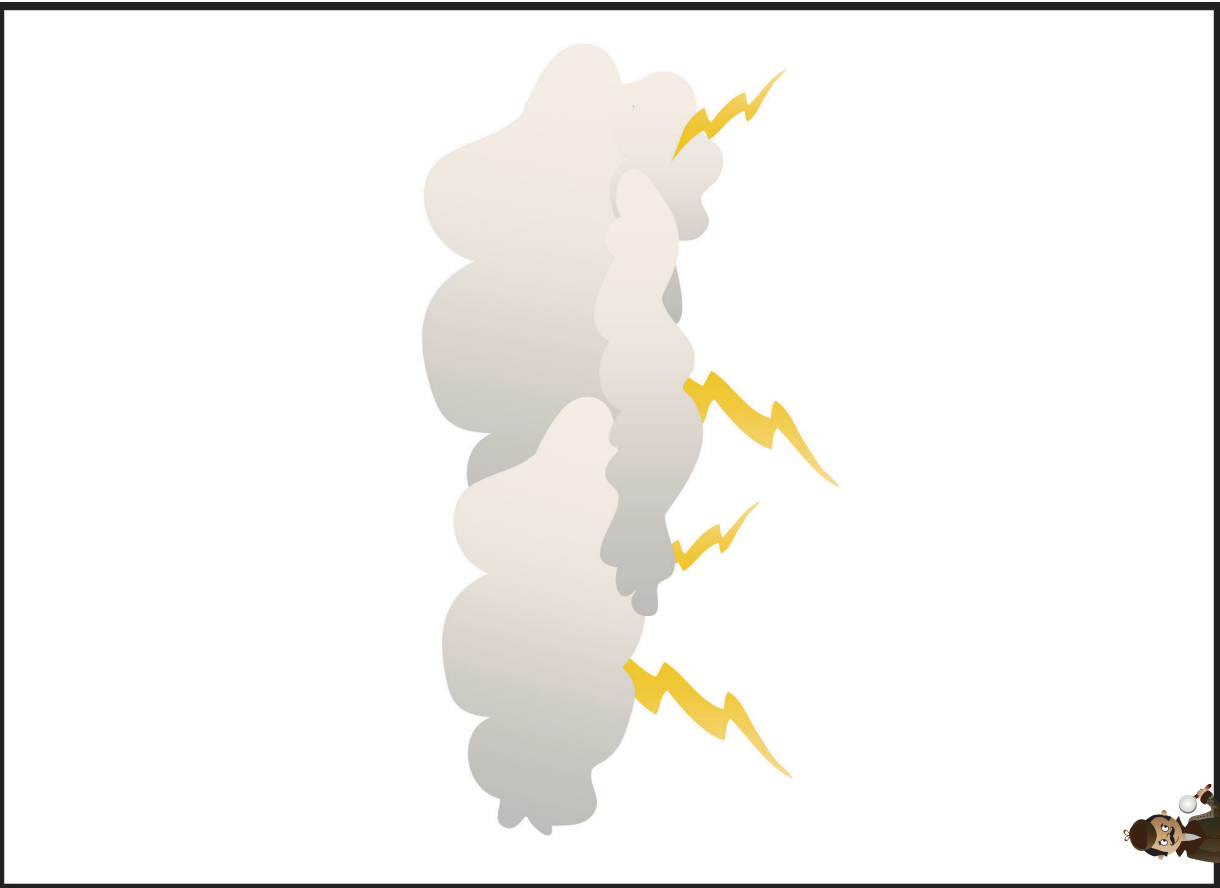
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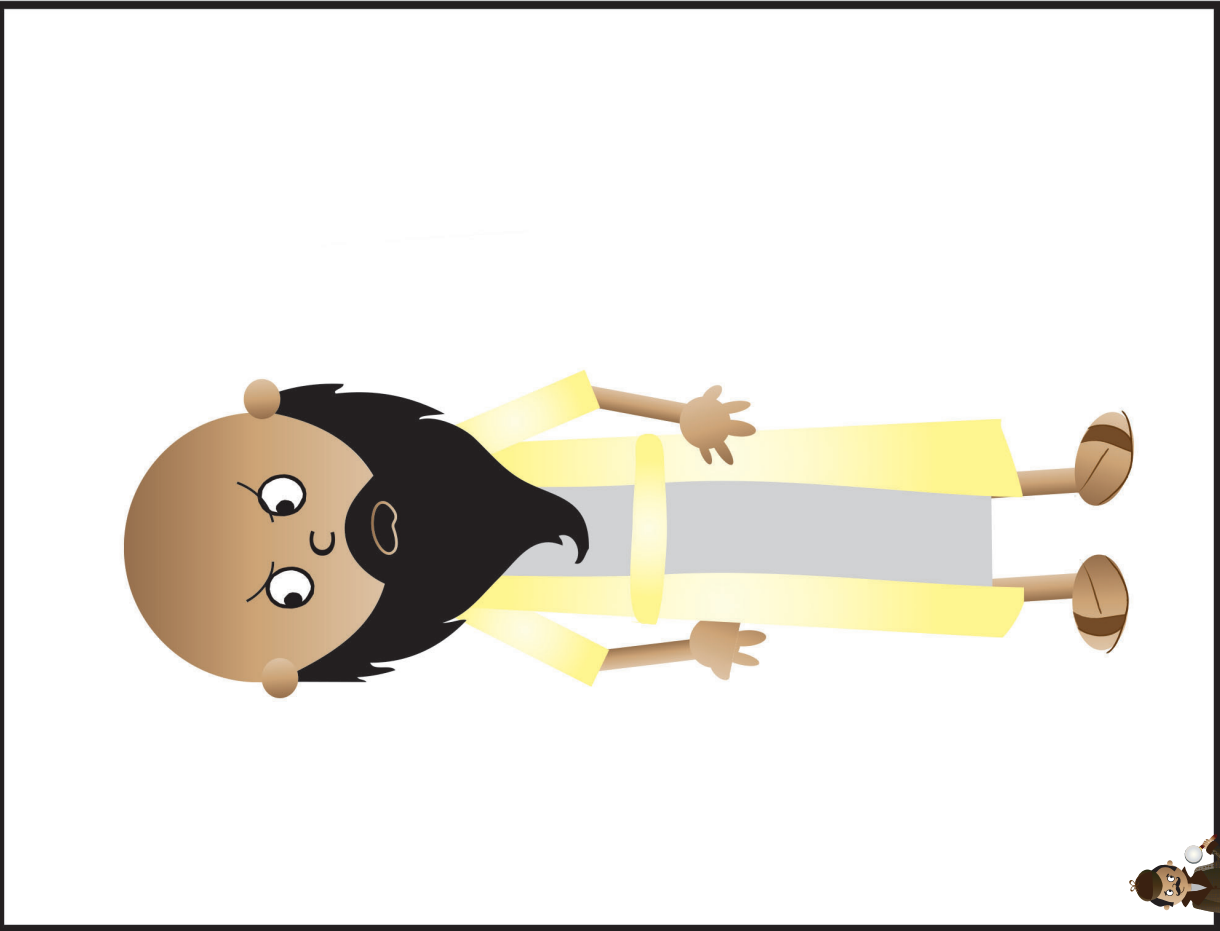
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A Big Storm



A Bad Guy from Nineveh

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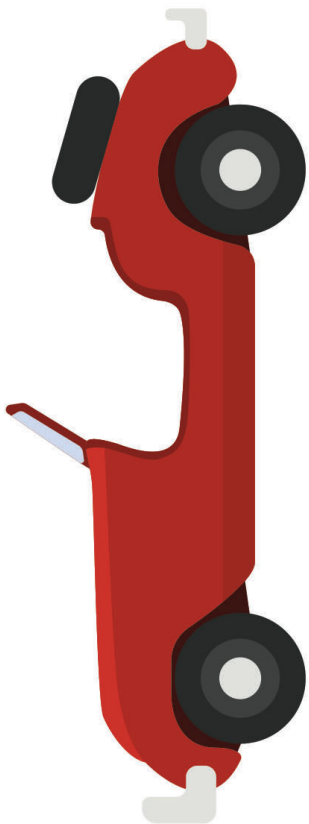
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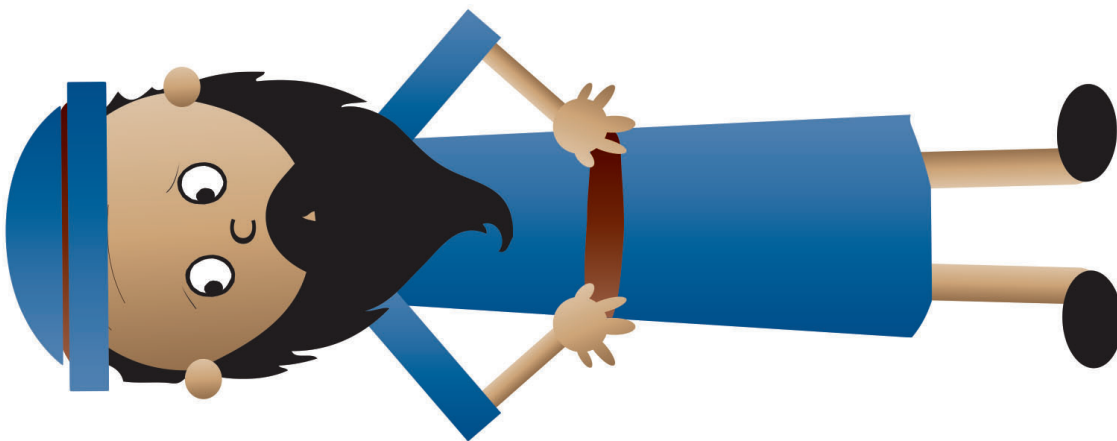
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A Car



A Sailor



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