



3PK

June 1-2, 2013

DATE

Creation

LESSON TITLE

Genesis 1

WHERE TO FIND IT

God made everything, and it was good.

MAIN POINT

schedule

SCHEDULE for all sites:

First 10 minutes of the service hour:
Relationship-building time (kids get to know each other and the volunteers)

Next 25 minutes: Large group teaching and worship

Last 30 minutes: Story review, snack and small groups, activities/crafts

If you finish early, have kids engage group games as parents arrive. Check out the end of the activities section to find an idea for this week.

tips

Before you begin checking in kids, choose roles. Decide who wants to check kids in, who wants to lead small group, who wants to be in charge of snack, who wants to check kids out, etc. Then work together as a team!

check-in/out

As kids come in, write their name on a story bag. The activity will run more smoothly--and it'll help you remember names.

large group heads up

Today, we're talking about how God made everything--and that it's all good. Next week, we'll talk about how we are his favorite creation--and that he loves us!



instructions

Goal: To equip kids with the tools to retell the story to family and friends.

Why? This story highlights God's goodness. That's an important foundational understanding for kids to have—and a really exciting one to share.

Tip: The more practice kids have going over the story, the better! Try to engage them in retelling it so they're ready to do it on their own when they leave today.

small group

REVIEW AND ACTIVITY

Today, we're going to make our own "Story Bag" so you can tell the story at home. God loves it when we tell people his story—so tell your parents, friends, babysitter, brothers, and sisters—anyone!

Hand each kid a **Ziploc bag**. Go through the bullet points **first** to practice retelling the story. Go through them a **second** time as you distribute objects (twice gives kids extra practice):

1. This **earth eraser** is to remind us that God made the sun and the earth and the water—and all the other things on the earth like mountains and beaches!

- *(Give a smile and thumbs up and say: "It was good!")*

2. This **animal sticker** reminds us that God made every single kind of animal! (Start naming animals. Ask the kids to help!)

- *(Give a smile and thumbs up and say: "It was good!")*

3. This **spider ring** is to remind you that God EVEN made bugs!

- *(Give a smile and thumbs up and say: "It was good!")*

4. Here is a **flower** to remind us that God made grass and flowers and trees, everything that grows on the land and in the sea.

- *(Give a smile and thumbs up and say: "It was good!")*

5. And finally, here is a **mirror**. Look inside it! Who did he make!? (Go around the room and ask the kids who they see).

- *(Give a smile and thumbs up and say: "It was good!")*

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***When kids finish, ask them to practice telling the story to a friend. Then pray with them, thanking God for making everything—and thanking God for making each one of the kids. If you can, go around and name them. It'll make them feel known and loved.**

...Extra time? Try this:

Animal Party

- Make a circle. Choose one person to be the leader (be the leader first to show kids how it's done).
- The leader names an animal and then everybody imitates that animal! Be as loud and crazy as you want. Do sounds, movements, or both!
- To mix things up, limit animal choices per round. Ask kids to choose specific animals such as jungle animals, farm animals, birds, bugs, fish, etc.

special notes

This week is all about God's good creation. Next week, we'll focus on how we are his favorite creation, made in his image. But for this week, have fun celebrating God's goodness together.

presenter tips

Make sure you smile--and smile a lot! Seriously, have fun and the kids will have fun. Be friendly and engage them with lots of smiles. Did we forget to mention to smile??

script

Presenter: Hi Friends! Welcome to Kid's Club. I'm _____ and I'm really glad you're here today. Before we get started, I want you to meet my friend, HOPS. She's going to remind us of the kind of choices we can make today in Kids' Club.

Video: HOPS 1 Have Fun! (About 1 minute)

REVIEW

Presenter: (holding up the **Bible** for kids to see) ... This is God's story. Out of all the stories in the world, this story is the most important. It's God's Rescue plan.

Remember how God made the whole world and everything was good? The world was perfect! Give me a smile and a "thumbs up"! (Let kids respond.)

(Soften your tone): Now, some of you might remember that there's a sad part of the story that happens. (Get more excited): But today, we're going to focus on the VERY, very happy part: that God made everything—and it was so, so good. In fact, it was perfect. So let's see that smile and thumbs up again. (Let kids respond.) Great job! You guys are going to need a lot of those today!

THE BEGINNING: DARK AND LIGHT

So, in the very, very beginning, there was nothing. Everybody squeeze your eyes shut tight. No peeking. Sit really quietly. ... Shhhh. (give a couple of seconds of quiet) ... This is what it was like in the beginning of the world. There was nothing... nothing at all. There wasn't even a floor for you to sit on. (Let that sink in) Keep your eyes closed.



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Out of this nothing, God began to create the entire world. All he had to do was speak. First, he said (loudly), “Let there be light!” (Turn on the **flashlight**) Now open your eyes (let kids respond). There was light! (Shine the flashlight around the room like a spotlight—then set it aside.)

After God made light, he said that it was good! Let me see your smile and thumbs up! (Let kids respond.) Awesome! Every time God thinks what he made was good, I want to see your thumbs up and a huge smile. Ready?

SKY AND LAND

So after God made light, he wasn’t done. He said, “Let there be sky!” And suddenly there was a huge sky above the waters, like this (**show picture of sky above the waters**). And God said that it was good. Time for a “thumbs up” and a smile! (Let kids respond.)

Then God wanted to make land, so he created dry ground, like what you’re sitting on now. Can you guys pat the floor next you? (Let kids pat the floor.) That’s dry land!

And God made all sorts of cool things on dry land (**show picture of land expanse**)...like mountains and hills and trees and grass and flowers. Well, after all that, God said that it was good! (Model a thumbs up and smile for kids to follow).

GOD MADE BIRDS, FISH AND ANIMALS

Then God filled up the sky and ocean and land! He filled the sky with birds! Can you guys flap your wings with me? (Let kids flap.) Good job! How about making a bird noise, a chirp, chirp? Ready? 1-2-3 (Flap and chirp.)

Good job! God filled up the ocean with ... (make a fish face) Fishies! Can I see everybody’s fish face? (Make fish faces together.) You guys are good at this! And God saw all those birds and fish, and he said they were ...good! (Give a “thumbs up” and a smile.)

After that, God filled up the land with...animals! Lots and lots of animals! Whew, I’m going to really need your help with this one. Everybody stand up! (Let kids stand.)

God made...lions. What do lions say? (Let kids say: roar!) That’s right; let’s all roar together. Ready? 1-2-3: “ROAR!” God made...pigs! What sound do pigs make? (Let kids say: oink) That’s right; let’s all oink together. Ready? 1-2-3: “OINK!” God made...monkeys! What sound do monkeys make? (Let kids say: ooh ooh aah aah) That’s right; let’s be monkeys together! Ready? 1-2-3: “Ooh ooh aah aah” (add motions for effect). Alright, now have a seat. (Let kids sit)

God made every single animal and even bugs with their itty bitty legs crawling everywhere! And after all the animals and bugs were made, God said that they were....GOOD! (Let kids smile and give a “thumbs up”)



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GOD MADE US

The last thing God made was pretty amazing. I want everybody to look into this *mirror* (hold up the little mirror and let kids crowd around. Walk through the crowd, so all kids get a chance to see it). What do you guys see in that mirror? (Let kids say: me!)

That's right, God made me and you! And after God made us, he said that it was VERY...*good* (let kids smile and give thumbs up).

Wow, it's pretty amazing that God made EVERYTHING, isn't it? Let's stand together and sing some songs to remind us that God made the whole wide world and that it was REALLY good!

Let's pray together and thank God for making the whole wide world! (Pray, breaking it into smaller, repeatable phrases):

Pray: Hi God! Thanks for making the world! Thanks for trees...and flowers...and sunshine...and animals! Thanks for making me! Aaaaaa-MEN.

WORSHIP

Now let's sing together!

Sing: Whole Wide World

Sing: Round and Round

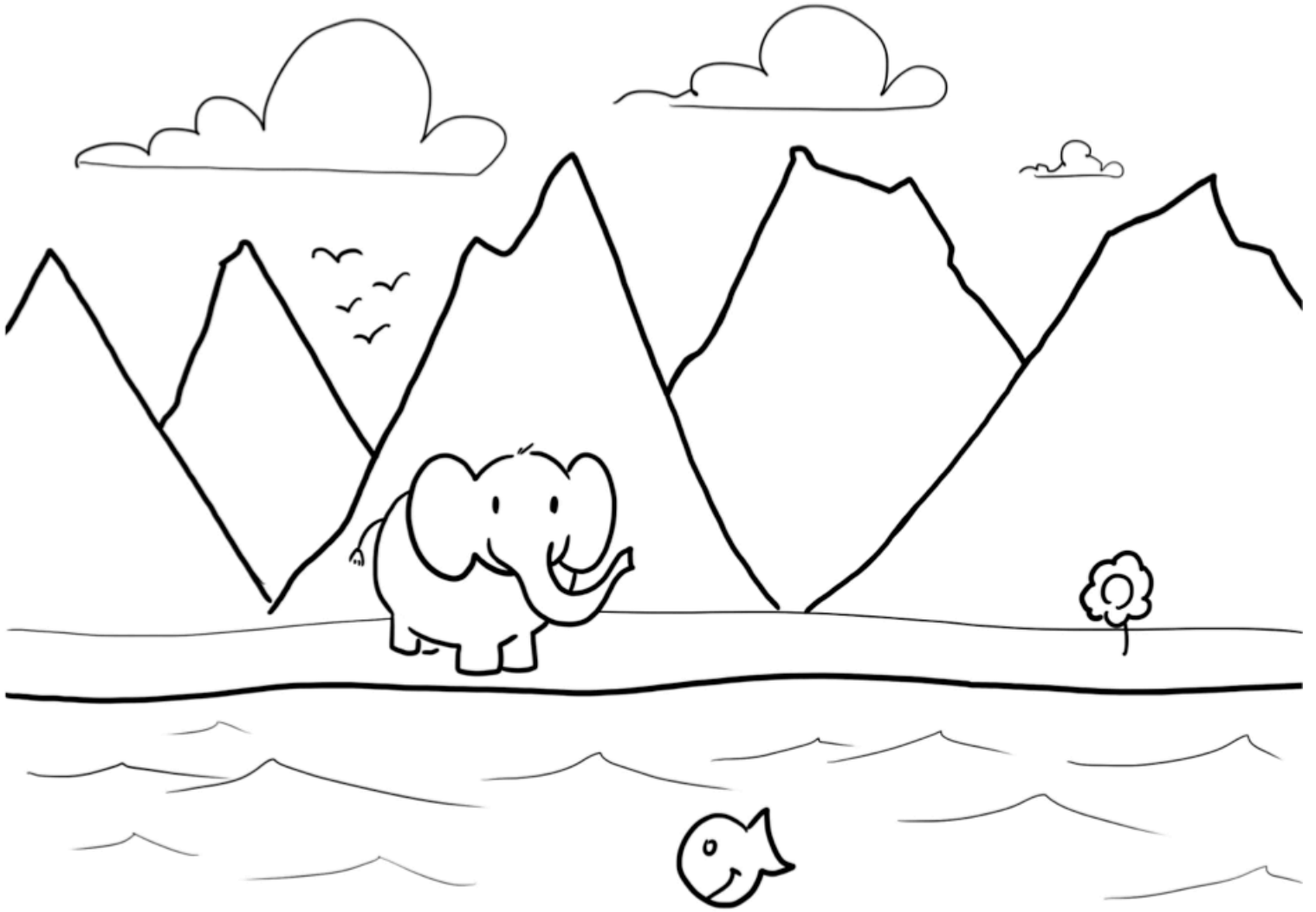
Dismiss kids to small groups. (Be creative as you dismiss them. Ask them to come give you a high five, or maybe tiptoe or hop--like Hops--to their groups.)



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PREP needs



small group supplies

Coloring pages: Creation

1 Ziploc or paper bag with sticker (Note: please print sticker template on Avery 5264 labels. Sticker template is in curriculum folder)

-earth eraser (OT: IN-9/1350)

-flower petal (OT: IN-34/927)

-animal sticker (IN-12/2155)

-spider ring (IN-25/5653)

-mirror board (cut each 5" by 7" board in fourths)

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large group supplies

Flashlight

Handheld mirror

Bible

a/v needs

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Video: HOPS 1 Have fun!2. Image: sky and waters (jpeg in curriculum folder)3. Image: land (jpeg in curriculum folder)4. Music Video: Whole Wide World5. Music Video: Round and Round (animate version) | | |
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special room set-up

None

connect questions

Tell me about Creation.

What did God make?

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Today, we talked about how God created the whole wide world. After God created the world, the Bible says he saw that it was good. And we see how good God is when we see the glorious world he created. Read about it together in Genesis 1 in the Bible.