



OLD TESTAMENT: CREATION

Lesson 2

BIG IDEA

God is both creative and orderly. He spoke the world into being and everything he created was perfect.

MEMORY VERSE

Psalm 8 and/or Genesis 1:1

KEY VERSES

Genesis 1

• PREPARATION & MATERIALS •

BIBLE LESSON: SKIT

- Cast: TL wearing baseball cap and Bear wearing bear ears.
- No props
- *EM provides baseball cap and bear ears*

CRAFT - CREATION CUBE

- creation cube template on cardstock
- markers
- gluestick

GAME - CHARADES

- Paper slips with 4 sets of 10 different animals written on them, each set mixed in random order.

WORKSHEETS

- Photocopies of Work Sheet (1 per child)



EM PROVIDES

- Scissors
- Hole Punches

Psalm 8

Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!



(extend hands to sides)

You have set your glory in the heavens.



(extend hands high)

Through the praise of children and infants you have



("stop" hand)

established a stronghold against your enemies,

To silence the foe and the avenger.



(index finger over lips)

(wiggle fingers both hands)

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,



The moon and the stars which you have set in place,



(point to moon and stars)

What is mankind that you are mindful of them,



(shrug shoulders)

Human beings that you care for them?

You have made them a little lower than the angels



(flat hand at waist)

And crowned them with glory and honor.



(make crown with hands)

You have made them rulers over the works of your

hands;



(open hands)

You put everything under their feet:



(stomp feet)

All flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild,



(hands like claws)

The birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea, all that swim

the paths of the seas.



(hands together wiggle like fish)

Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!



(arms up as if cheering)



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CAST

TL wearing baseball cap
Bear wearing bear ears

SCRIPT

TL and Bear (enter from opposite sides of the stage.)

TL Hi Bear. How are you doing today?

Bear Well, I guess I'm doing OK. I'm sure tired though.

TL Oh no. Are you getting sick?

Bear No (big sigh), I had to clean my den.

TL Wow, it must have been pretty messy to tire you out so much.

Bear It was awful. I have a lot of treasures, you see, and they just take up a lot of room!

TL I can imagine.

Bear The thing is, my sister keeps her part of the den super organized. She has little cans for this and little containers for that. (Shakes head in disbelief) its unnatural if you ask me.

TL Unnatural? To be organized?

Bear Yah, I mean isn't it kinda strange for someone to want to keep everything neat and orderly? It's like she looks forward to cleaning up and stuff. Weird.

TL Gee Bear, I don't think organization is weird at all. In fact, my research shows that God created creatures on the earth in a very orderly way. Are you ready to hear the first story about the creation of the world?

Bear I'm all ears!

TL OK, here we go. The first words in the bible go like this, "In the beginning God made the heavens and the earth."

Bear Oh, so it was God who made the ginormous big bang?

TL No, not exactly. At first the earth had no shape and was empty. Everything was completely dark.



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There was only one thing that existed.

Bear I know, I know. One of those amoeba type things, right?

TL No, it was the Spirit of God. And the Spirit of God could speak, and he said, "Let there be light, and there was light!"

Bear (Impressed) Whoa.

TL Impressive, isn't it? And he was so pleased with the light that he said, "It is good." Then the next day God separated the waters and put a space between them. Can you guess what he called the space?

Bear Uh (look up) sky?

TL Right. And he was happy with the sky and the water and said, "it is good." On the third day God gathered the waters together so that the land appeared. Guess what he called the dry ground.

Bear That's easy. Dry ground is land!

TL Right you are. He did even more on the third day, he also created the kinds of trees that make seeds and fruit and he was very happy with it and said, "it is good."

Bear (Scratches head) This story sounds so peaceful and nice. Where's the big, ginormous bang?

TL Well Bear, to be honest, there was no big ginormous bang.

Bear (Thoughtful) OK. Go on, what happened next?

TL The next day was the fourth day and that was when God made all the lights in the sky, can you guess what those lights were?

Bear The obvious answer is the sun.

TL Right!

Bear But did he also make the stars that day?

TL He sure did.

Bear How about the moon?



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- TL Even the moon. He made the sun for the day time and the moon and stars for the night time. And guess what, he was very happy with it and said, “it is good.” Then, on the fifth day God made all the fish and creatures that live in the sea. He also made the birds that fly on the sky.
- Bear Cool. And I bet he was very happy with the fish and birds and said, “it is good.”
- TL (Smile and chuckle) He did indeed.
- Bear This story is getting really good. I have a hunch that the next day of creation is going to be the best.
- TL Really? I wonder why you would think that? I mean all of creation is good and perfect. On the sixth day is that God created all the animals that live on the land and....
- Bear (Interrupts with excitement) YES!! I told you so! The best day of creation!!
- TL Huh?
- Bear That’s when bears were created, the sixth and best day of creation!
- TL (Suddenly understands) Ahhh, yes. The creation of bears did happen on the sixth day of creation, and it was a very good day.
- Bear And God had to have been very happy with it and he must have said, “it is good.”
- TL (Laughing) Yes, he did. But that’s not the end of what he did on the sixth day, he also made another creature, a creature that was made in his image. He made this creature differently though, this time he gathered some dust from the ground and breathed the breath of life on it, and guess what happened next.
- Bear Probably not a ginormous bang...I dunno, a cloud of dust?
- TL No, it became a man, a living person! So, I would have to agree that the sixth day of creation is pretty special.
- Bear (Happy sigh) That’s a good story. Imagine it took just six days for God to create everything, not billions of years and a big, ginormous bang and an amoeba. What did God do next?
- TL Actually, he rested. His work of creation was completed. So on the seventh day he rested, he made it a holy day, a day set apart for resting because his creation was complete.
- Bear (Yawning in contentment) Ahhhhh. Good stories make me sleepy, I want to rest too...(sadly)



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except I can't. I have to go back home and organize all my stuff.

TL Bear, I think there is a little lesson for you in the story.

Bear Really? I don't get it.

TL You told me earlier that you thought it was pretty unnatural that your sister likes to organize and make things neat and tidy.

Bear That's right. I still believe that. It's strange...it's just not right!

TL Did you happen to notice in the story that God created things in an orderly way? Each piece of creation happened in the exact sequence that it needed to happen. The stars were made after the sky was made. The fish were created after the water was created. God created an orderly world, perhaps it is natural for his creatures to be orderly too. Do you think?

Bear Wow. I see your point. Like how the trees were created after the land, huh? But...well...then why do I feel so bad about it? Why do I get so frustrated?

TL Bear my friend, that is a story for tomorrow. Will you come back to hear more?

Bear I definitely will. See you!

TL Bye Bear.

(TL and Bear exit stage)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What was the only thing to exist before creation? (God)
- What happened on the first day of creation? Second? Third? Etc
- Why did God create everything in that order?
- What would have happened if he created animals and people first and created light and land last?
- What does it mean to be organized? Give an example.
- What is the opposite of organization?



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CRAFT

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CREATION CUBE

Objective: Kids will make a creation cube illustrating each day of creation.

MATERIALS PROVIDED BY EM

- Scissors
- Hole Punch

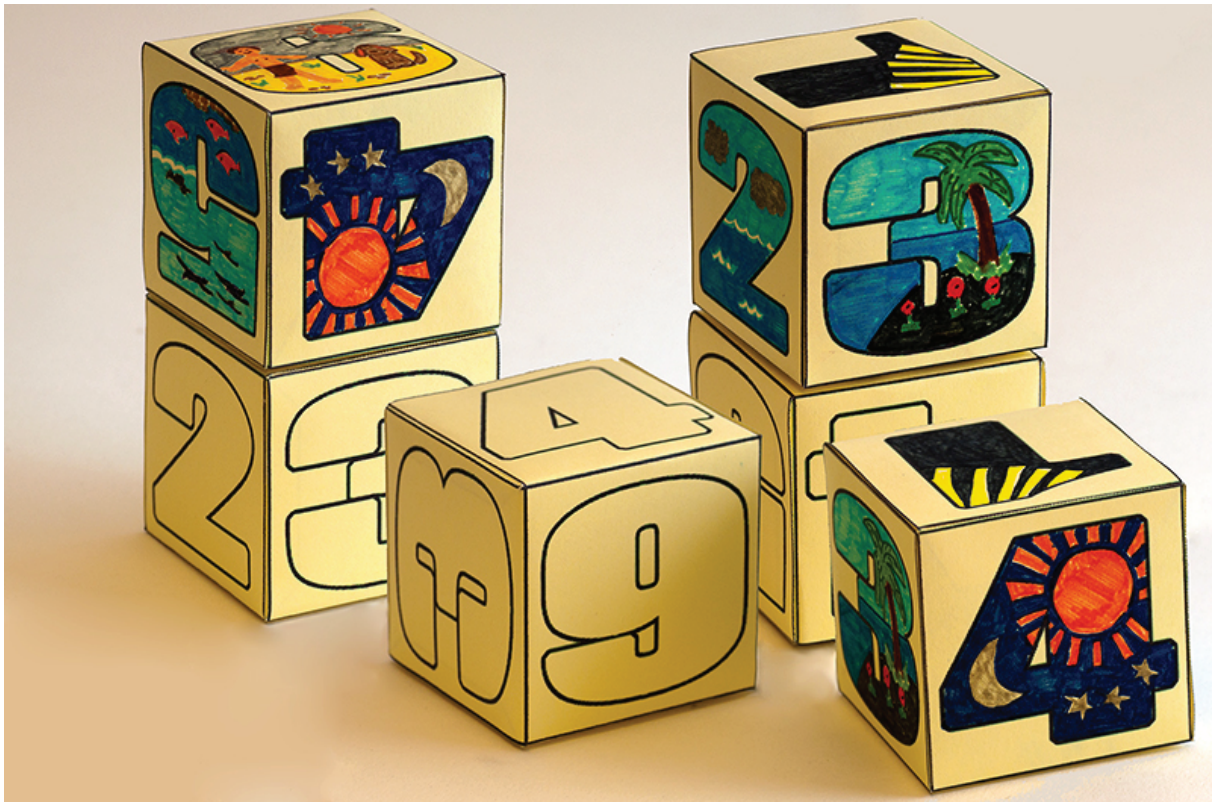
DIRECTIONS

- Pass out one template to each child
- Illustrate and color what was created on each day of creation
- Cut cube out on outside edges
- Fold and glue

MATERIALS BROUGHT BY TEAM

- creation cube template on cardstock
- markers
- gluestick

EXAMPLE





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GAME

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OBJECTIVE: CHARADES

Teams act out 10 animals to their team. The first team to guess all 10 wins.

MATERIALS BROUGHT BY TEAM

- Paper slips with 4 sets of 10 different animals written on them, each set mixed in random order.

DIRECTIONS

- Divide the kids into 4 teams. Each team chooses one person to be the actor.
- The actor is given the 10 slips of paper with the animals written on them but does not look.
- Actors will act out the animals one at a time. They may not use words or sounds.
- When all teams are ready a mission team staff member shouts “GO” and all the actors act out their animals to their teams.
- When all 10 animals are guessed that team wins.
- Play again by scrambling the same animals up and picking a new actor or distribute 10 new animals (or objects).





Creation Cube

Sunday School Craft

You will need:

- Thin card
- Coloring pens or pencils
- Scissors
- Gluestick

Instructions:

- 1) Draw and color pictures relevant to each day of creation
- 2) Cut out the template
- 3) Carefully score along the folds
- 4) Fold the shape into a cube
- 5) Glue and stick the tabs

