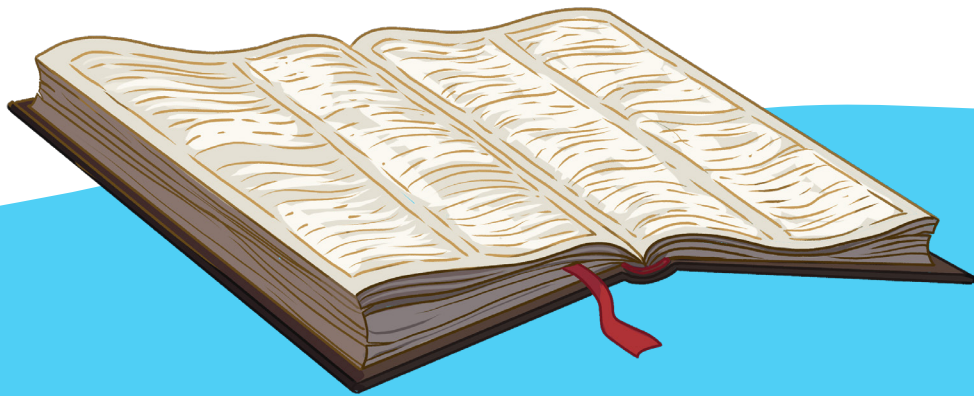




Discovering God in the Bible



This printable pack contains the following activities:

- The Bible: God's Book about God - Script
- Bible Discovery - Big Rescue Bible pages 5-7
- Bible Discovery Sheet
- Unit 1 Bible Verse
- Did You Know?
- Unit 1 Bible Verse Activity (Extra)

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The Bible: All About God (PPT Script)

This script accompanies the PowerPoint -
The Bible: God's Book About God

(Slide 1- Title page)

Say: The Bible: God's Book About God

(Slide 2)

Say: There are millions of books in the world.

Ask: What kind of books do you like reading? Do you have a favourite author?

(Slide 3)

Say: Every book has an author. God is the author of the Bible. God chose to tell people what to write. He used many different people over a long period of time to write down his message.

(Slide 4)

Say: The Bible is a book for everyone. It's a book for us. God didn't want to leave us guessing about who he is. He really wants us to discover him and to be a part of all that he is doing in the world.

(Slide 5)

Say: Characters are at the heart of a book. Authors work hard to help us get to know their characters, especially the main characters.



(Slide 6)

Say: The Bible has many characters. God wants us to get to know those characters. People in the Bible met God when God revealed himself to them.

(Slide 7)

Say: God is the one to whom all the other characters relate, the one who is there at the beginning, in the middle, and at the end. So when we explore the stories of God's interactions with other characters, it's God we are discovering most of all.

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Say: Jesus is different to all the other characters in the Bible. Jesus comes from God and is God. He's the one who best helps us discover God.

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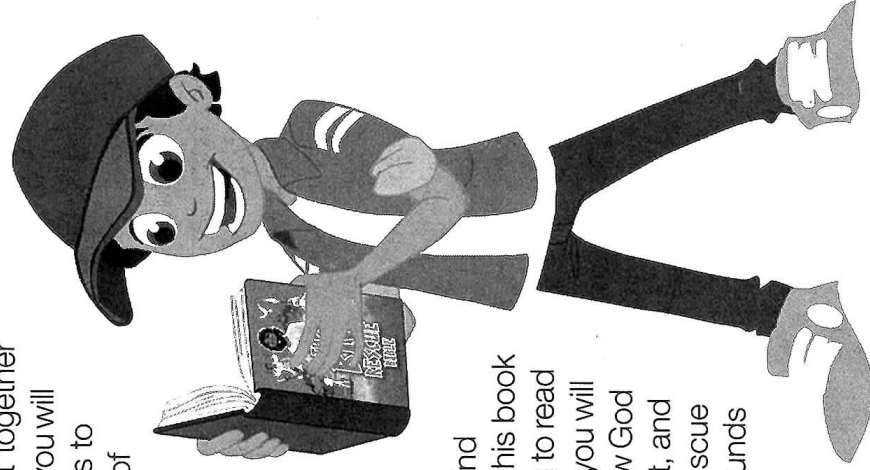
Say: When we explore the stories of Jesus in the Bible, the things he did and said, we can discover who God is, what he's doing in the world, and how we can be a part of it.

(Slide 10)

Say: So get ready to launch out on our journey through the Bible this year. Let's be Voyagers and see what we can discover about God, as we explore the stories in the Bible together.

Welcome...to The BIG Rescue

The **BIG Rescue** is a book put together especially for you. In this book you will find the most incredible stories to read and think about. And all of them are true! **The BIG Rescue** is an up-to-date Bible, so it has all the books that other Bibles have inside to read. **The BIG Rescue** has more pictures to go with the stories.



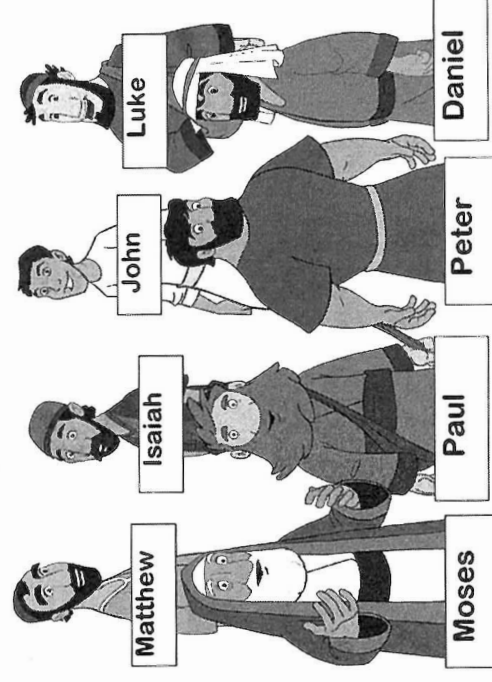
In **The BIG Rescue**, you will find out about God. God inspired this book to be written and he wants you to read its very special message. In it, you will read the amazing stories of how God has rescued people in the past, and people today, and his BIG Rescue plan for the whole world! Sounds like an impossible job? Well, read on and see how God will do it!

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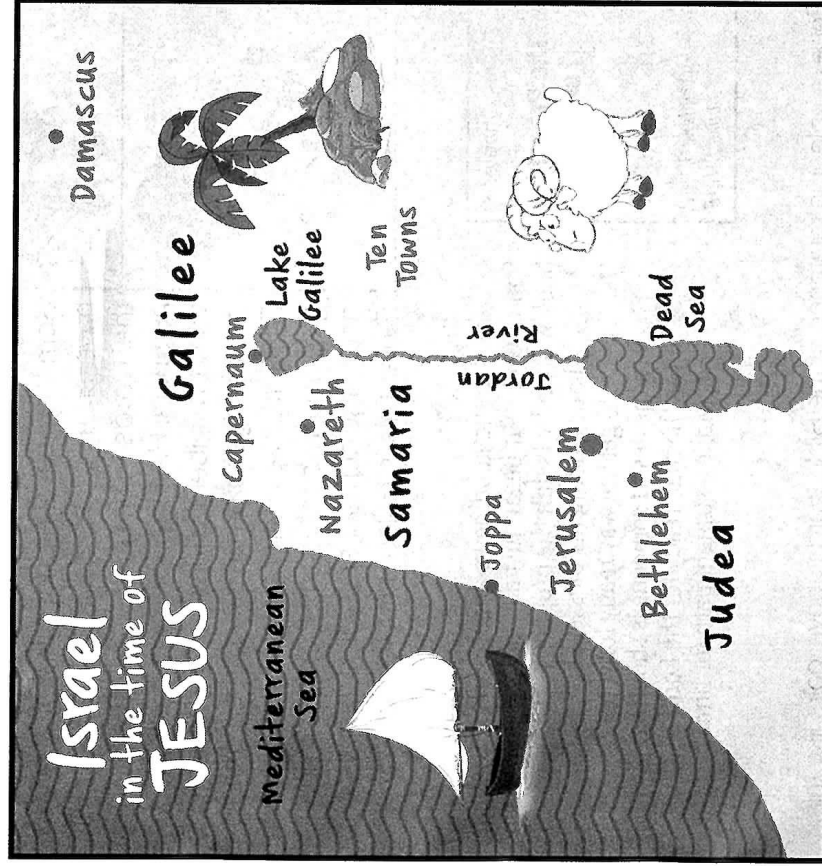
The **BIG Rescue** is an exciting adventure, with comedy, action, drama, war, romance, and tragedy — and it's all true. **The BIG Rescue** covers many centuries and tells lots of smaller stories inside one huge rescue story.

The BIG Rescue is about God and the world he made. It is split into two major parts: the *Old Testament* and the *New Testament*. God has always wanted to be close friends with us, but we haven't been so friendly in return... God has chosen people through time to be messengers and reminders of how things should be. In the Old Testament, some of these people were called prophets. But the writers of The BIG Rescue were all kinds of people. Some of these people were farmers, others were fishermen, some were kings and queens but all of them loved God and wanted to do what he asked. Each of the books in The BIG Rescue has been written by one of these special people.

Some people wrote more than one book. Some books tell about history with wars and kings, some books are full of songs, one has love poems, some are personal letters, and others are letters to a whole bunch of people.



God even sent someone from heaven, Jesus, his only child, to show us what he is like and how much he loves and cares for us. The New Testament tells his story. He is a **major player** in **The BIG Rescue**. Have a look at the map to see what Israel looked like when Jesus was showing people what God is like.



Although most of the books are set in the Middle East and a couple of other countries on the Mediterranean Sea, all the stories are for the whole world to share. This is your chance to get into the adventure. Read on to find out how to get the most out of **The BIG Rescue**.

Bible Discovery

Read pages 5-7 of the Big Rescue Bible and answer the following questions.



1. For whom is *The Big Rescue Bible* written?
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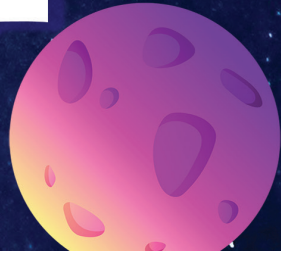
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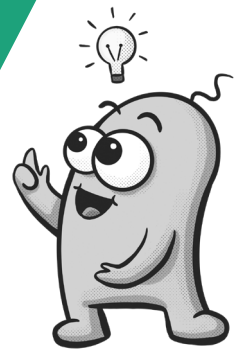


**Lord God, you
stretched out your
mighty arm and
made the sky
and the earth.
You can do anything.**



Jeremiah 32:17

Did You Know?



Cut the following questions into strips and place into a bucket or hat. Choose a volunteer to pick out a question and read it to the class. Students can indicate their answers to the questions by putting their hands on their heads (A), shoulders (B) or hips (C).

The Bible is divided into two parts, called testaments. What are the testaments called?

- a) Big and small b) Old and New c) Easy and hard

What was one of the original languages that the Bible was written in?

- a) Greek b) English c) Japanese

Over what period of time were the books of the Bible written?

- a) 5 years b) 100 years c) 1500 years

About how many people did God use to write the words of the Bible?

- a) 5 b) 20 c) 40

Approximately how many languages has part or all of the Bible been translated into?

- a) 30 b) 300 c) 3000

More copies of the Bible have been sold than any other book. Approximately how many copies of the Bible have been sold?

- a) 5 million b) 5 billion c) 5 trillion

In what continent of the world is the Bible set?

- a) Asia b) Europe c) Africa

Which country in the world is most prominent in the Bible?

- a) Israel b) China c) Australia

One of the Bible writers, wrote some of the books of the Bible from:

- a) jail b) a boat c) the desert

The whole Bible can now be accessed on the internet through many different websites and apps. There is even a Bible App which offers free versions of the Bible which has been downloaded in every country in the world. About how many people have downloaded the Bible App altogether?

- a) 1 million b) 500 million c) 5 billion

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