



Noah builds the ark

LESSON 1


Bible passage:
Genesis 6

1. READ

Read the storybook A Man Named Noah or read Gen 6 in your children's Bible.

2. SHARE

- Why did God become sad when He looked at the world that He had made? Because things had become bad and people were very mean to each other.
- What is an ark? A boat that is very big.
- Why did God ask Noah to build an ark? Because God was going to send a flood to cover the whole earth.
- Noah obeyed God and started to build the ark. What does it mean to obey? To follow God's instructions and do what he had asked.
- Why do you think it is important to obey God?
- Can you think of an example in your life when you obeyed someone?
- Why did other people start to make fun of Noah while he was building the ark? Because they did not understand God's plan. They thought that it is strange to build a giant ark in the middle of the desert.
- How did Noah feel and what did he do? He probably felt sad but he followed God and continued building.
- Has somebody ever made fun of you? How did this make you feel?
- Can you continue to do what is right even if your friends make fun of you?

DID YOU KNOW?

The Bible does not mention any steering devices in the ark. Those on board needed to trust God completely to guide them and keep them safe. Can you think of a situation or time when you or your family needed to trust God completely?

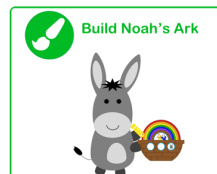


3. PRAY

Dear God, give me faith to trust you like Noah. Open my heart and my ears to listen to you. Give me courage to do what is right. Use my hands to help people in need. AMEN.



4. CREATE



Build **NOAH'S ARK**.
Find instructions and all materials needed in your HelloBible box.



5. EXPLORE

MEASURING THE ARK

Noah's Ark was huge! In Genesis 6:15 the Bible tells us the Ark's dimensions were at least 300 cubits long (450 feet), 50 cubits wide (75 feet) and 30 cubits tall (45 feet).

Ask your child about Noah's Ark and if he/she ever thought about how big it was. Then try to compare the Ark to other things. For example it was taller than a 3 story building. It had a total deck area the size of 20 basketball courts. It was as long as a football field and about as wide.

Go to a park where you will have plenty of space. Measure out the size of the ark together. You will be amazed!



MEMORY VERSE



Noah was a righteous man.
Noah walked with God.
Genesis 6:9



God saves Noah

LESSON 2


Bible passages:
Genesis 7-9

1. READ

Read the storybook A Man Named Noah or read Gen 7-9 in your children's Bible.

2. SHARE

- **What did Noah do when he finished building the ark?**
He carried out God's commands and he took one pair of each animal onto the ark.
- **How many people rode on the ark?**
8 people (Noah, his wife, his three sons and their wives).
- **How long did the rain last?**
It rained 40 days and 40 nights.
- **What animal did Noah send out to see if the land was dry?**
A dove.
- **What did Noah do when he finally left the ark?**
He prayed and thanked God for saving them.
- **What are you thankful for?**
- **Will God ever flood the whole earth again?**
No. God made a promise with Noah and his sons to never again send a flood to destroy the earth.
- **What was the sign of this promise?**
A rainbow.
- **Have you ever made a promise? Did you keep it?**
- **Has anyone ever broken a promise they made to you?**
- **How did that make you feel?**



DID YOU KNOW?

Just as God saved Noah, He sent **Jesus** to save us from our sins. So even if we sometimes make mistakes, God forgives us and loves us because Jesus died on the cross for us. (Read **John 3:16**)



3. PRAY

When Noah finally left the Ark, the first thing he did was pray to God. Pray together. Thank God for his promises and tell him what you are thankful for.



4. CREATE



Make **GIANT RAINBOW BUBBLES**. Find instructions and all materials needed in your HelloBible box.



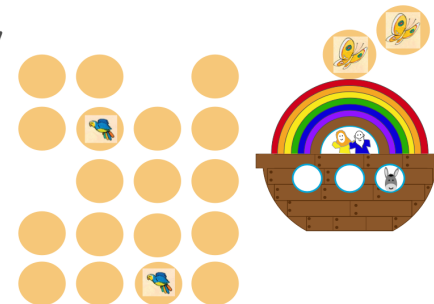
5. EXPLORE

Matching Game:

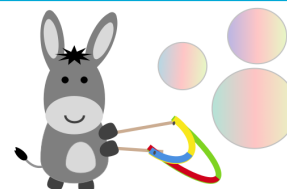
Help Noah to bring two of all the animals into the ark. Choose 10 of the smaller animal stickers and stick them on the wooden circles. You need two matching circles of each animal. If you like, you can put leftover stickers on your ark or in your Bible travel journal.

Rules for playing a matching game:

Mix up the tokens and lay them in rows face down. Turn over any two cards. If they match, put them into your Ark. If the two cards don't match, turn them back over. Try to remember what was on each card and where it was. The game is over when all the animals are in the ark. After playing, store the tokens in your game bag.



MEMORY VERSE



I will put my rainbow in the clouds to be a sign of my promise to the earth.
Genesis 9:13