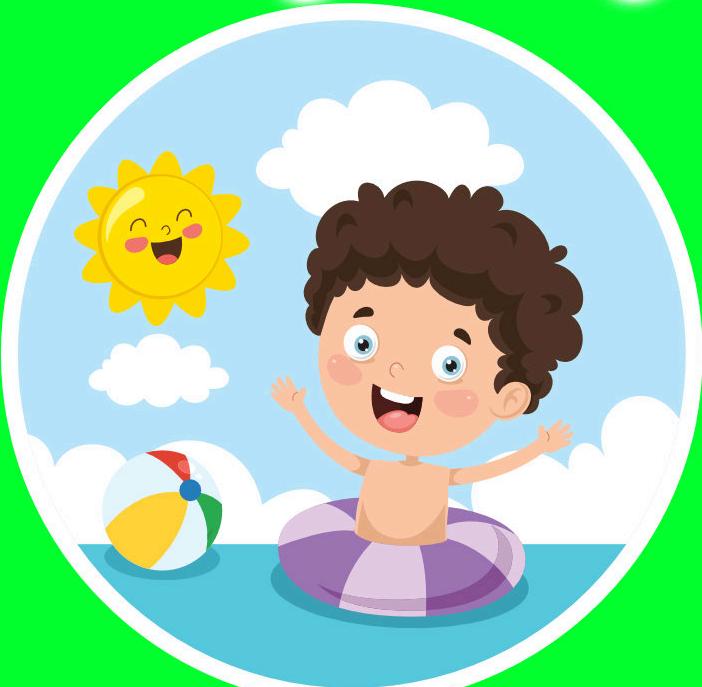


Ecclesiastes

A time for everything



Introduction

In this week's lesson, we are going to be focusing on the second of King Solomon's wisdom books, the Book of Ecclesiastes. Ecclesiastes is an often-overlooked book when teaching preschoolers from the Bible, yet it contains so much wisdom for us at any age. Some of the main things we will learn are:

- The importance of remembering God
- Chasing the correct things.
- The order that God put into his creation

[Video playlist](#)



Lesson Guide

Begin by reminding your child of what we have learned about King Solomon so far. Remind them how he asked God for wisdom, and how he share his wisdom with others.

Explain to your child that King Solomon was not only wise, but he was also very rich and famous. He could have anything he wanted in the world. Tell them how King Solomon went on a quest to find what would really make him happy and he wrote about his discoveries in this book.

Ask your child what things they think would make them happy? You could make a list together.

Using some bubble mix, blow some bubble in the room and have your child try to catch the bubble with their hands. Talk about how the bubbles burst, most straight away and some in a little while. Say how King Solomon discovered that things are like bubbles. He chased all sort of things but found they all burst and didn't keep him happy for long. Give an example of something that you wanted because you thought would make you happy, but later found it did not.

Talk to your child about the cycles in nature. You can use Ecclesiastes 1 as a reference. Speak about how the sun rises and sets, speak about the water cycle and so on. These are great topics to recognize God's order in creation as well as help their educational development.

Reading Ecclesiastes 3 share that one of the discoveries that King Solomon made was that there are different times for different things. Create your own list of time for... and have your child fill in the opposite. For example: A time to play; A time to tidy up. A time to be loud; A time to be quiet and so on.

In Ecclesiastes 4:9 Solomon says that two is better than one. Think of some activities that you can do together or split your children into small groups. Explain how it is both easier and more fun to work together to do things. Thank your child for the times they help you.

Ecclesiastes 12 summarizes the most important lessons Solomon discovered. Verse 1 tell us how important it is to remember God while we are still young. Speak about ways that your child can remember God in their daily life. Praying before a meal, obey him, and so on.

Pray together and ask God to help you remember Him in everything you do.



Ecclesiastes

There once was a king who had a lot of questions.

He looked at everything around him and thought, “Why?, why?, why?”

Everything seemed meaningless and just to repeat itself.
He went on a quest to find meaning.



The Teacher was very wise and taught people what he had learnt.

He said, “Remember your Creator while you are young.”

Honor and obey God. This is the most important thing to do.
God will judge everything people do.



The King was very rich.
He thought money and things
would make him happy.
He built big buildings.
Designed beautiful gardens.
Bought everything he wanted.
But he wasn't happy. It still felt
meaningless.

He decided to learn more.

He read lots of books.

Spoke to the best teachers.

Worked really hard. But
everything still felt meaningless.
Finally, the king had the answer.



Games and Activities

Take a Season Walk

Go for a walk outside and talk about the changes you see in nature. Are the leaves changing color? Are there nuts on the trees? Berries?

Maybe there are new flowers? How about the temperature.

You could take a camera to photograph your findings or collect items to make a Season collage with leaves etc.



Water Cycle Bottle

Using an old plastic bottle draw on it some clouds, the sun and some waves with a permanent marker.

Fill the bottle to about 1/3 with water or a water and blue food coloring mix.

Close the bottle and leave in a sun position.

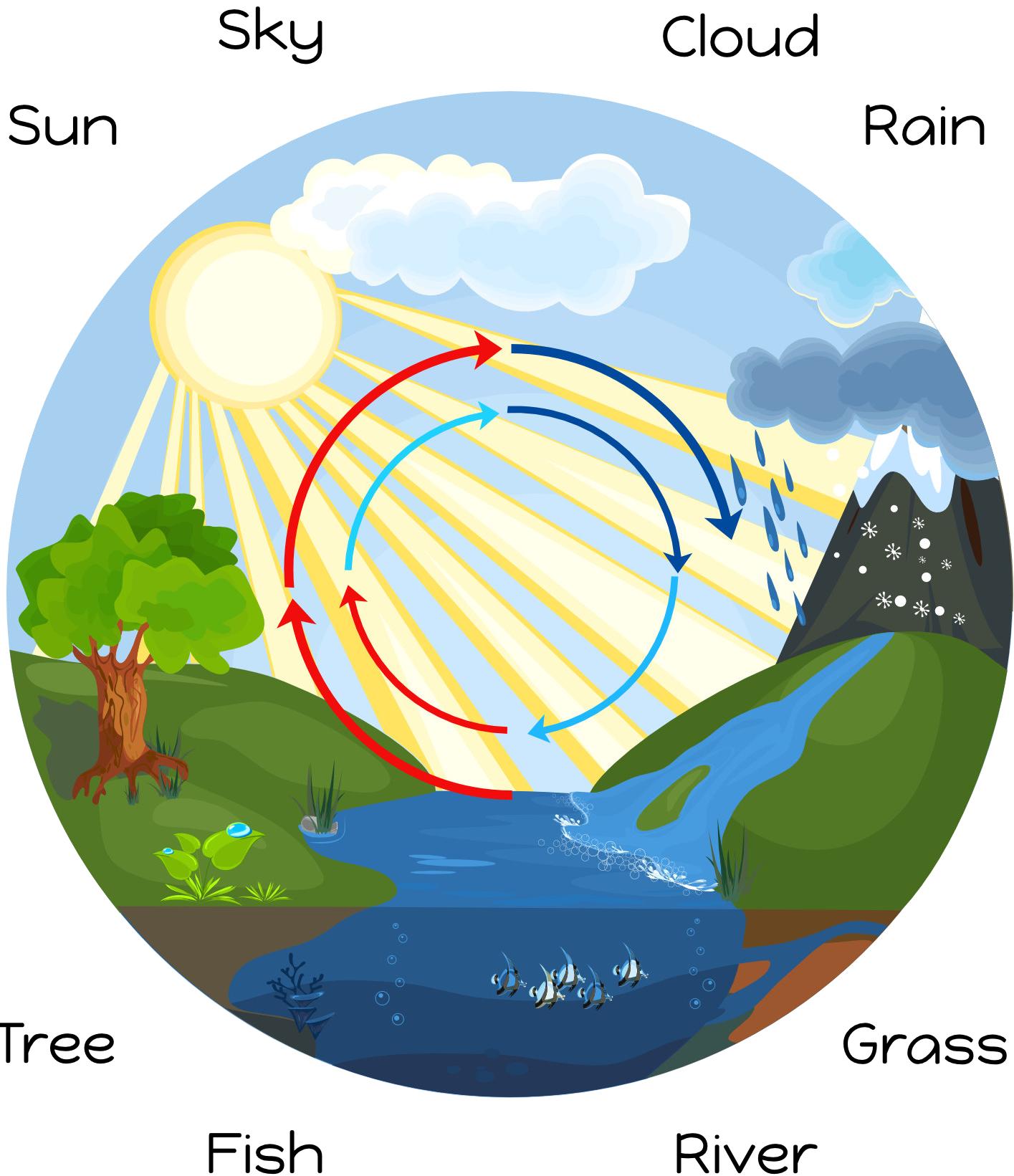
Observe how the sun heats the water, it hits the top and then falls back down.

Explain to your child how something similar happens in our water cycle.



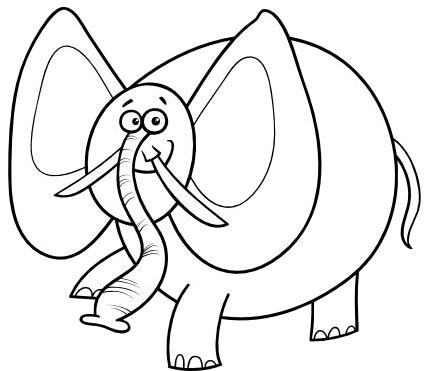
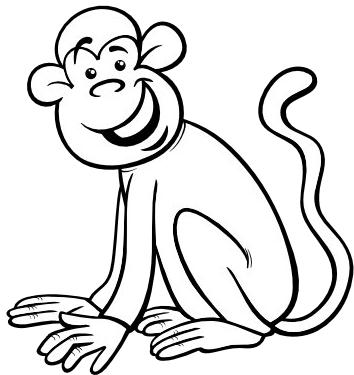
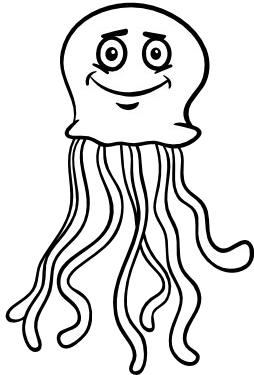
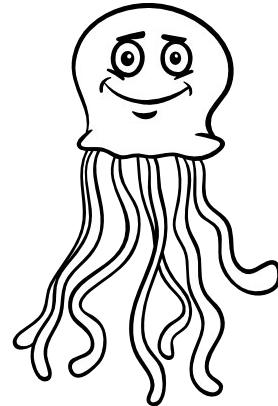
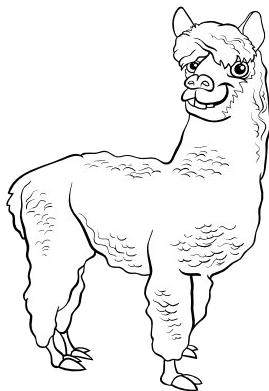
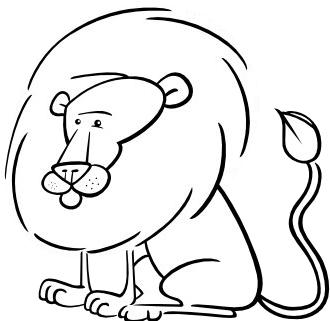
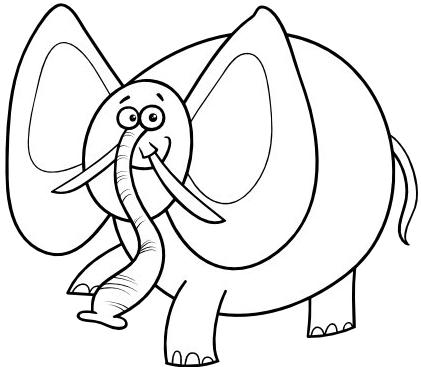
Water Cycle

Draw arrows to label the picture



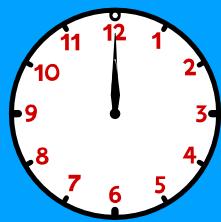
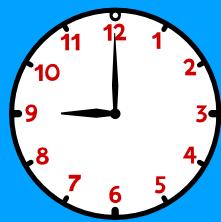
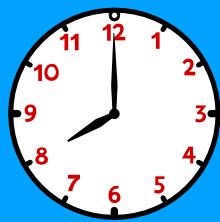
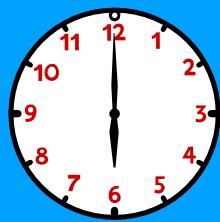
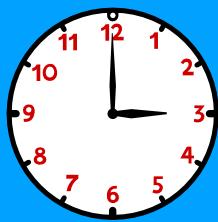
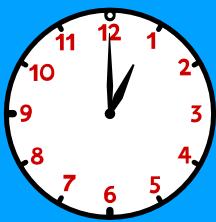
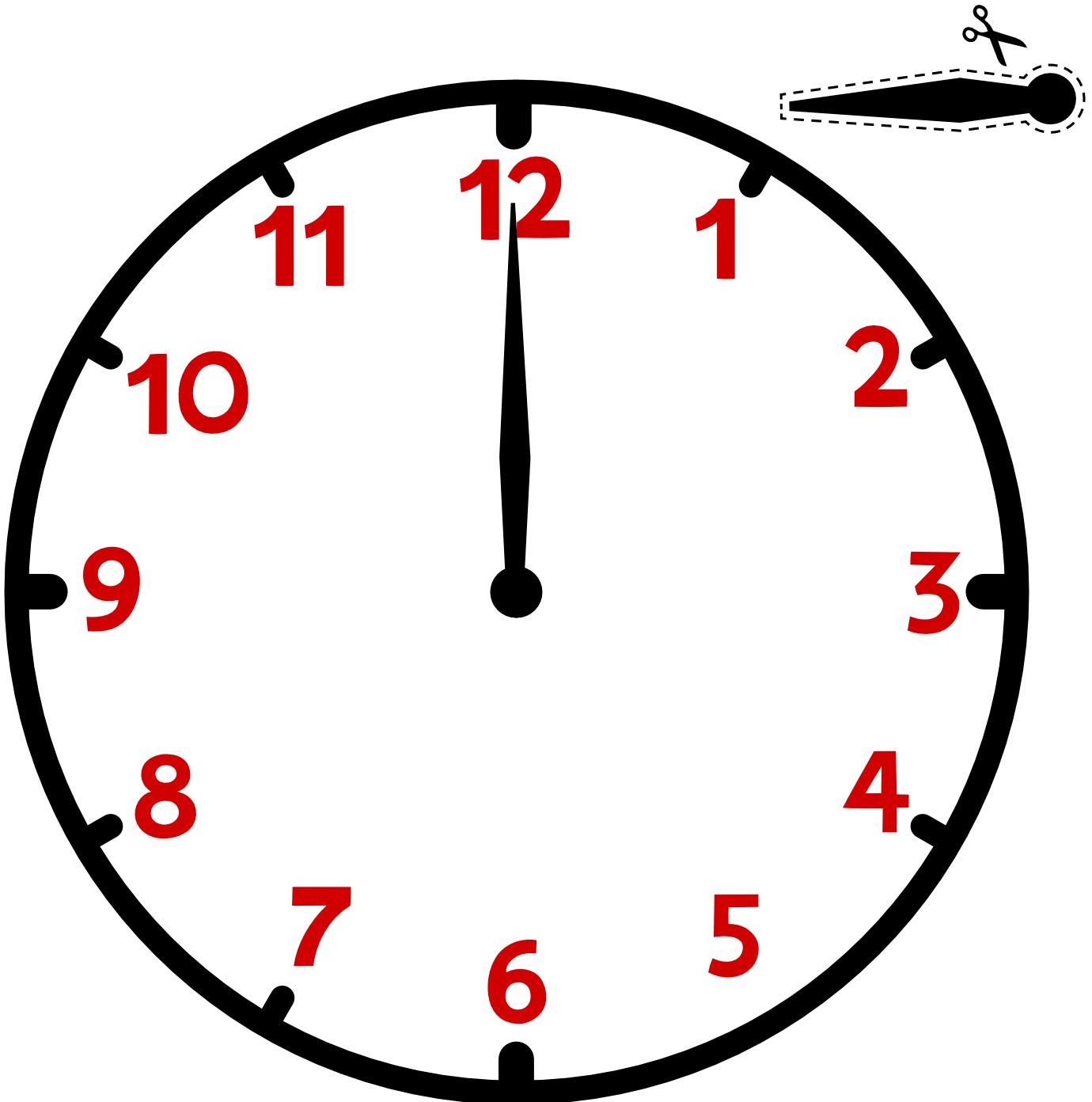
Two of the Same

Color the picture which have two of the same animal

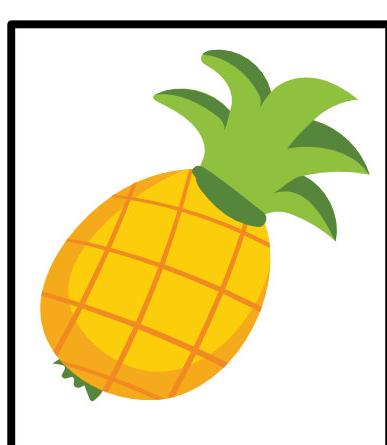
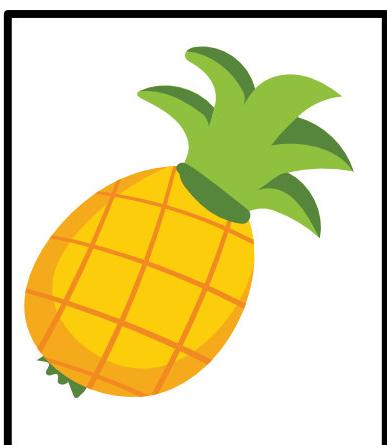
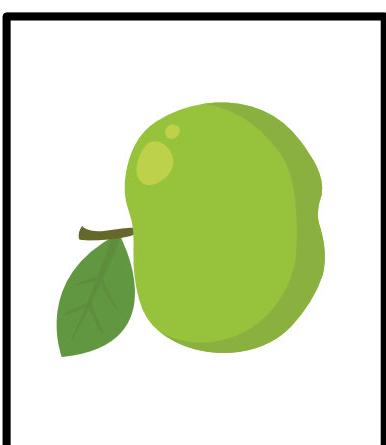
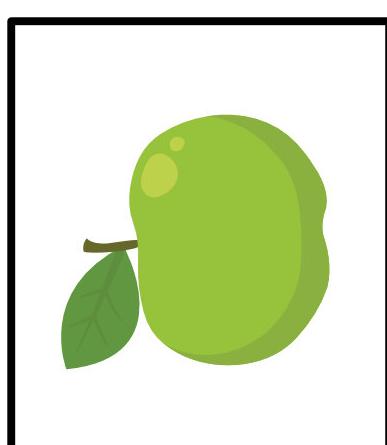
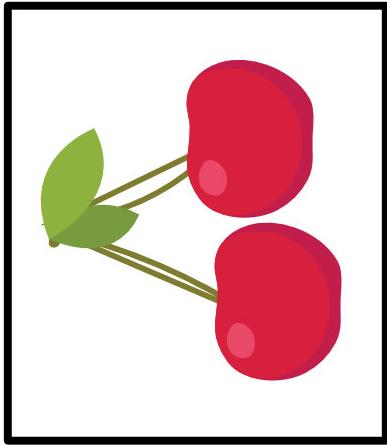
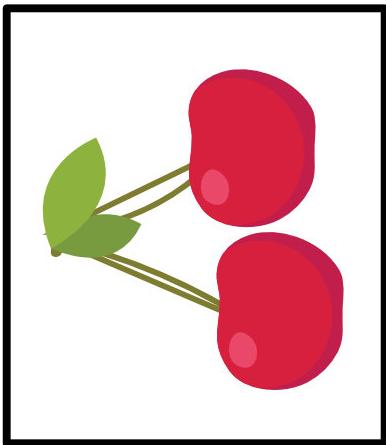
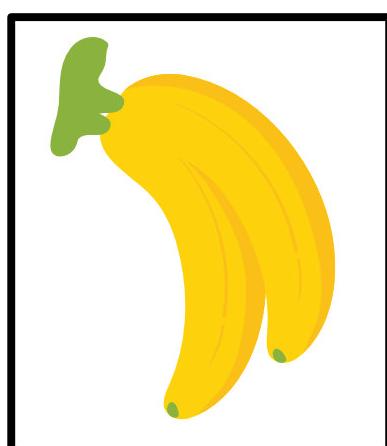
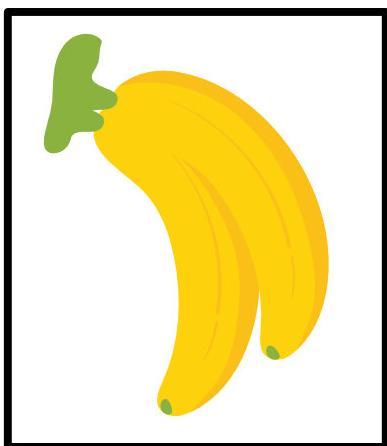
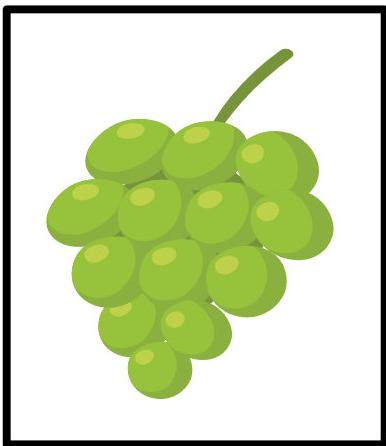
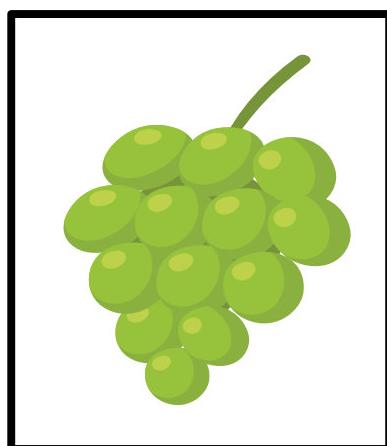
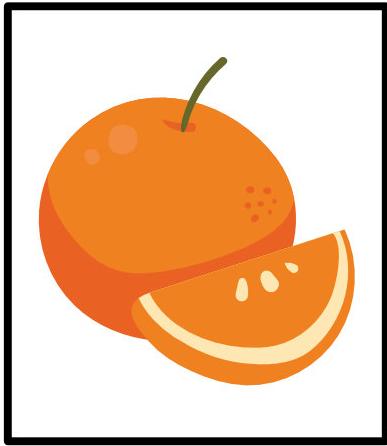
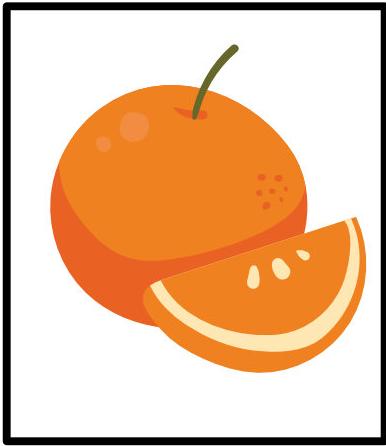


Tell the Time

Cut out the hour hand to match the times below

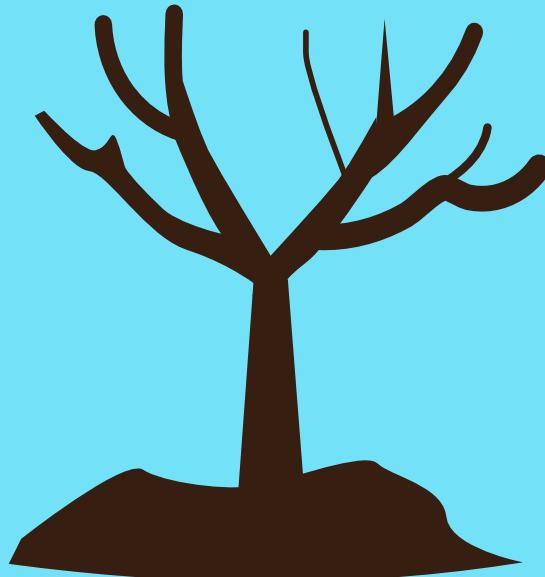


Cut out the cards to play memory pair game



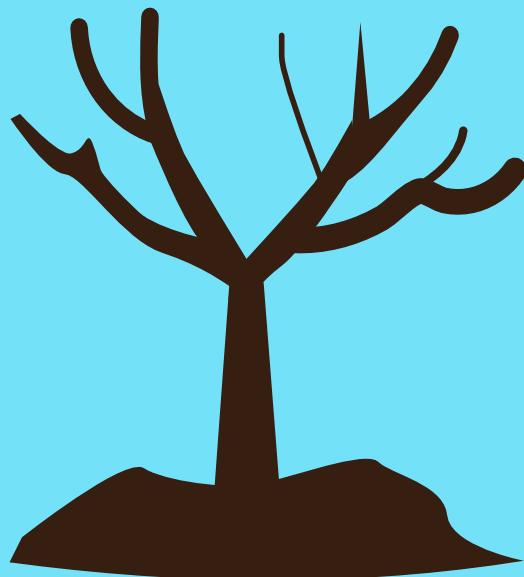
Cotton bud painting

You will need: Poster paint and some cotton buds



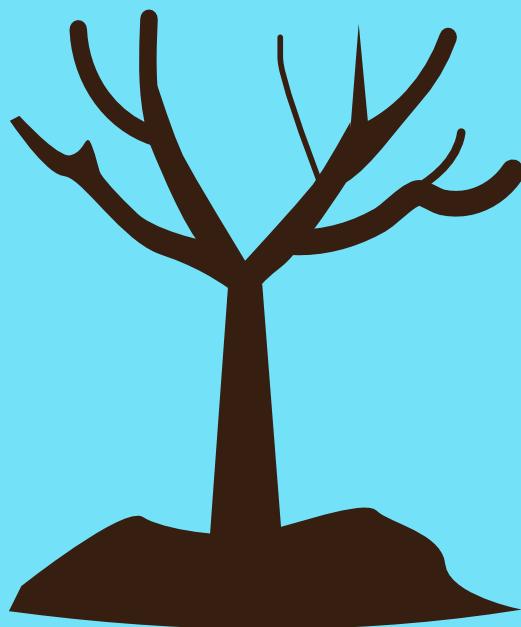
Spring

Paint a few green leaves and
some flowers



Summer

Paint green leaves all until the
tree is full



Fall

Paint some orange and brown
leaves on the tree and ground



Winter

Paint some snow on the tree
and ground.

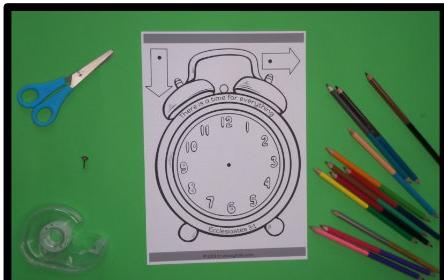
Clock Bible Verse

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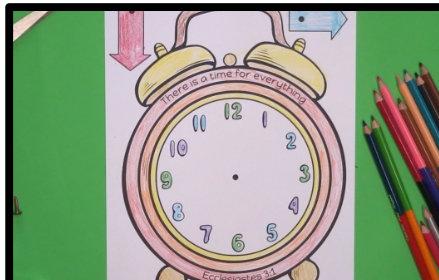
- Template on white card.
- Coloring pencils or crayons
- Scissor
- Fastener pin
- Some sticky tape



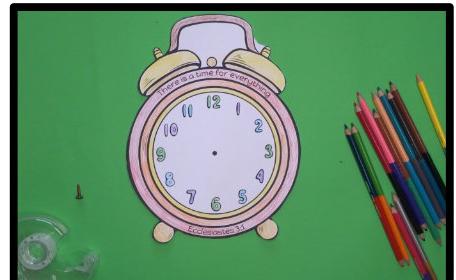
What to do:



Print the template onto white card and collect supplies



Color in the picture of the clock and the hands



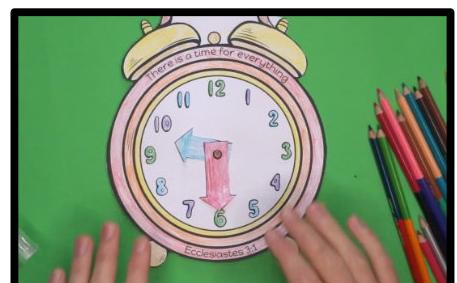
Cut out the clock and the hands.



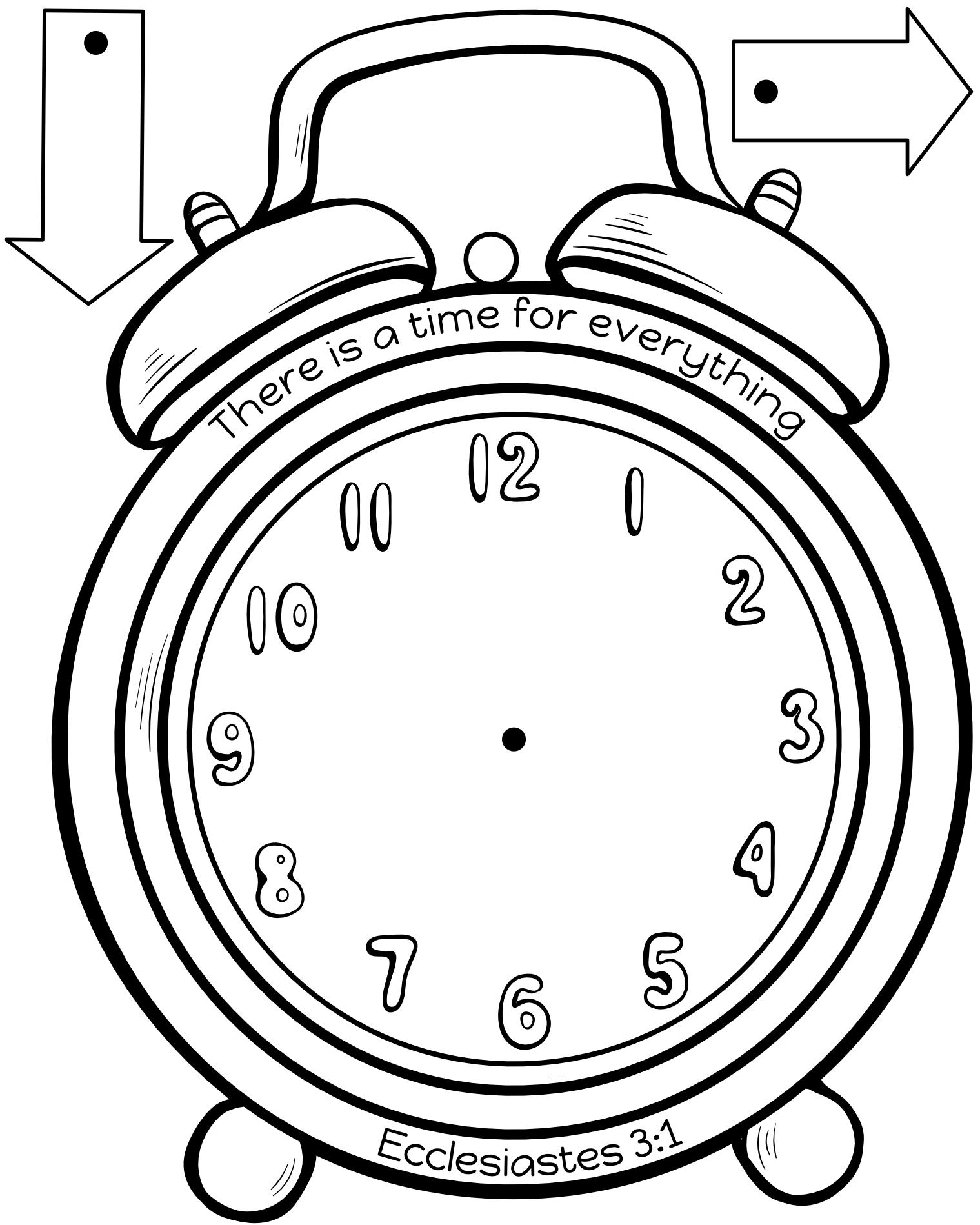
Pin hands to clock with a fastener pin through the black holes as marked.



Cover pin with sticky tape to make safe.



Use the clock to help your child learn the time and memory verse.

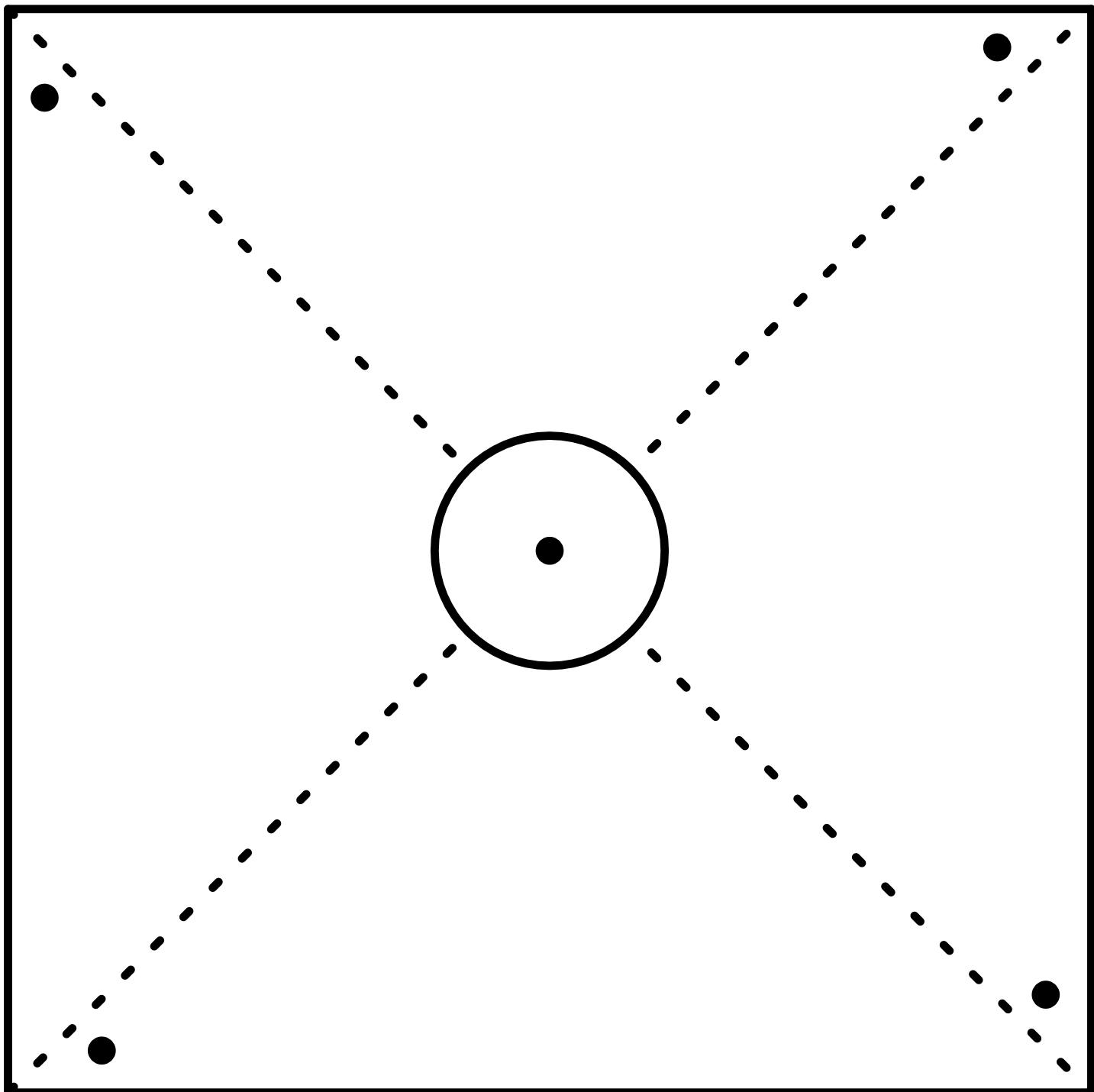


Paper pin Wheel

You will need:

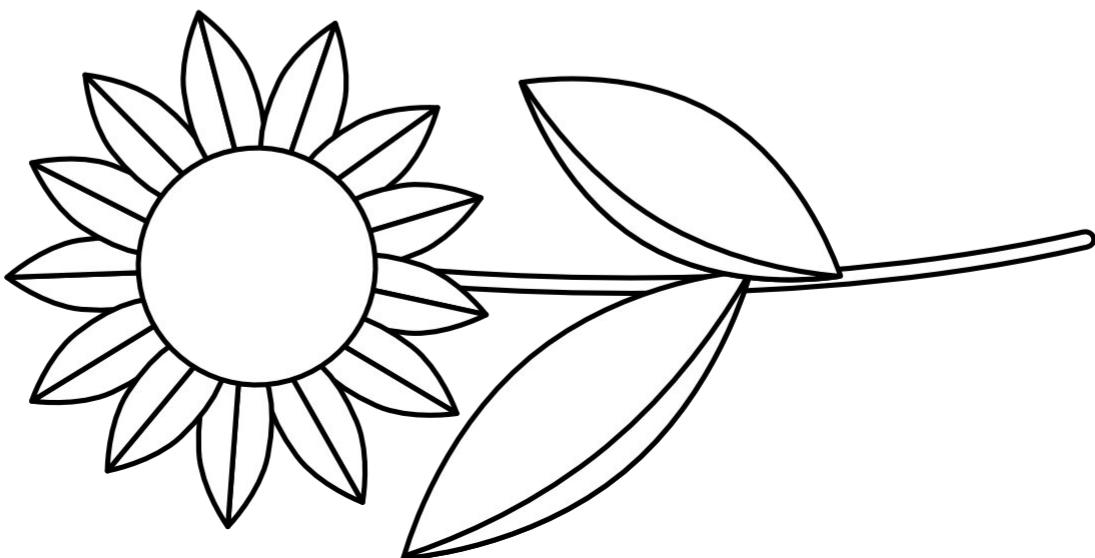
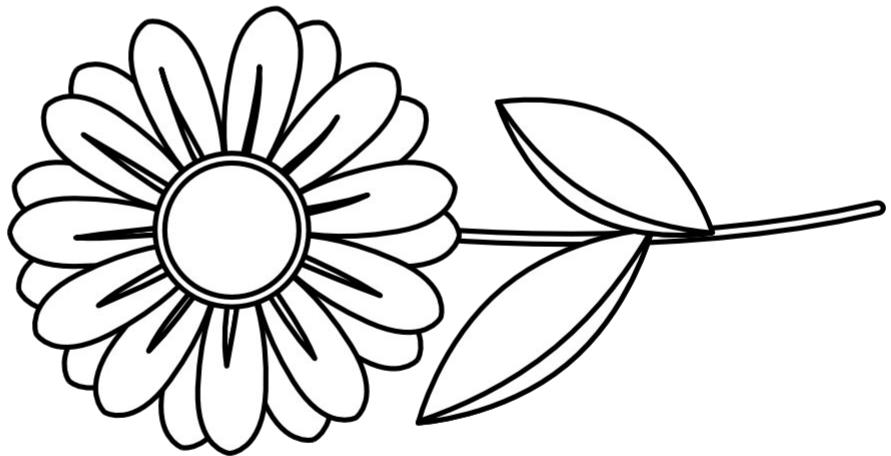
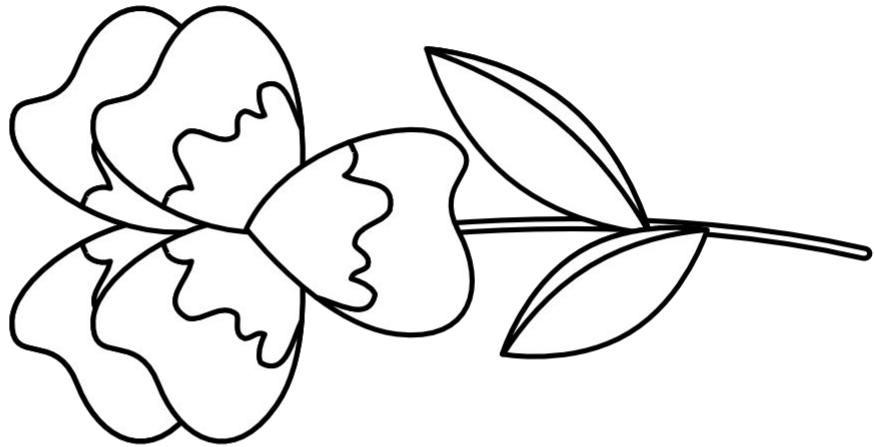
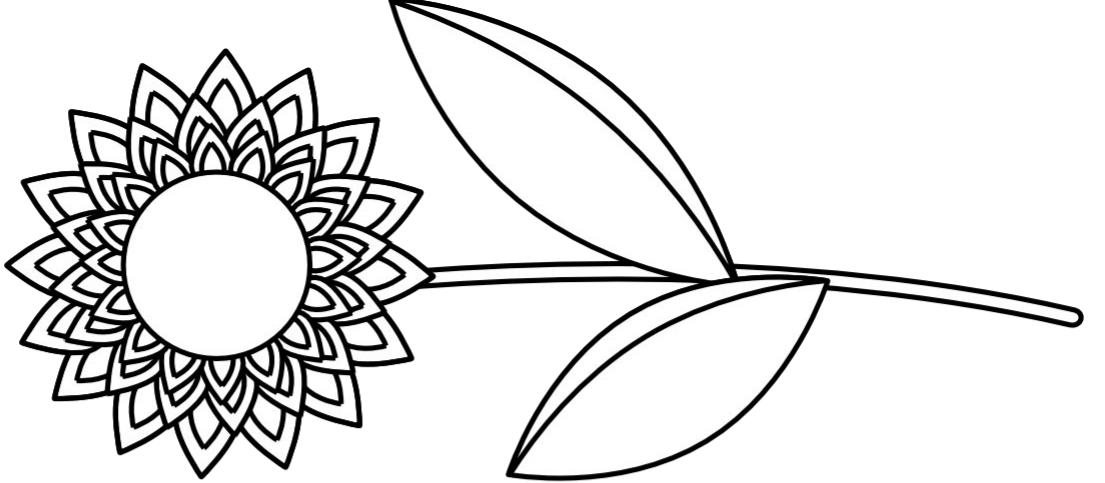
A paper pin, color pencils, a wooden stick

- 1) Color both sides of the template.
- 2) Cut around outside and along dotted lines
- 3) Pin the black circles together
- 4) Pin into wooden stick

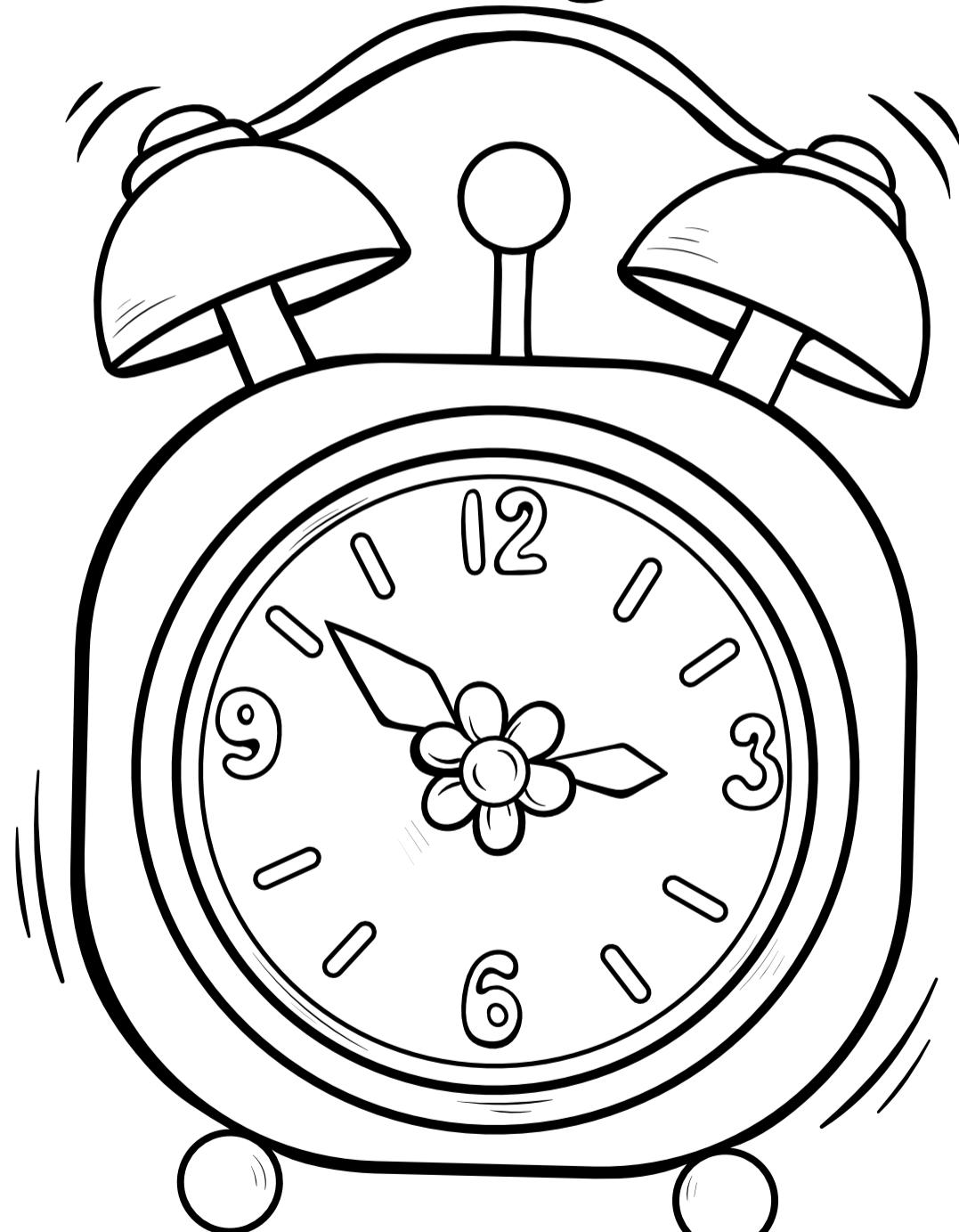


God has made everything
beautiful for its own time

Ecclesiastes 3:11



There is a time for everything



Ecclesiastes 3:1

Worship Time

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Ecclesiastes 4:9

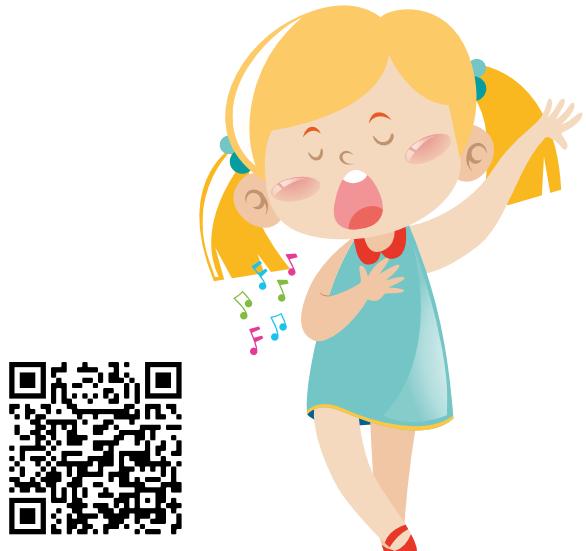
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The Whole Duty Of Man

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Win Forever

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Prayer Time

Thank God for the people He gives to help you work together.

Ask God to help you to love him more than anything.

**Next Week
Elijah**

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