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& Friends



B.E.S.
A wise guide



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Bravely asks questions



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Likes to stop and think



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An encouraging friend

STORY 1: Jacob deceives his brother

This story is about being selfish.

Adult Guidance - Jacob and Esau were twins. Explain that because Esau was the eldest, he owned the birthright. This meant he would be in charge of the family when his father, Isaac, died. Talk about how badly Jacob treated Esau. The Bible says that we please God when we are kind to others.



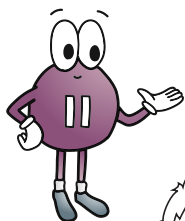
READ:
Genesis
25: 27-34

One day Esau came home and was very hungry. Jacob had been cooking red stew.

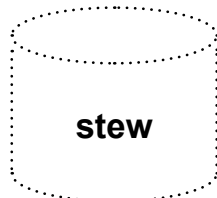
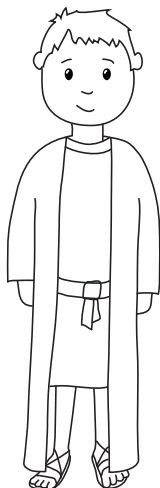
“I’m hungry. Give me some stew,” said Esau.

“I will give you some stew if you give me your birthright,” Jacob replied.

Jacob tricked Esau into giving away his birthright.



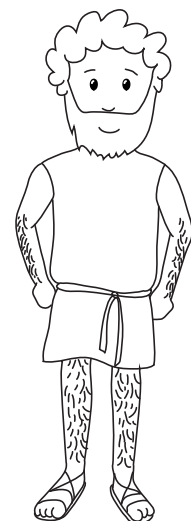
Join the dots to complete the story.
Colour the pictures.



Jacob made some stew.



Esau was hungry and wanted stew.



The Bible says that we should treat others the way we would like to be treated.

STORY 2: Jacob deceives his father

This story is about how Jacob cheated his father and brother.

Adult Guidance - Explain that Isaac was blind. Ask the children to close their eyes and use their hands to identify some objects. Explain that in this story, Jacob sinned against God by cheating and telling lies.

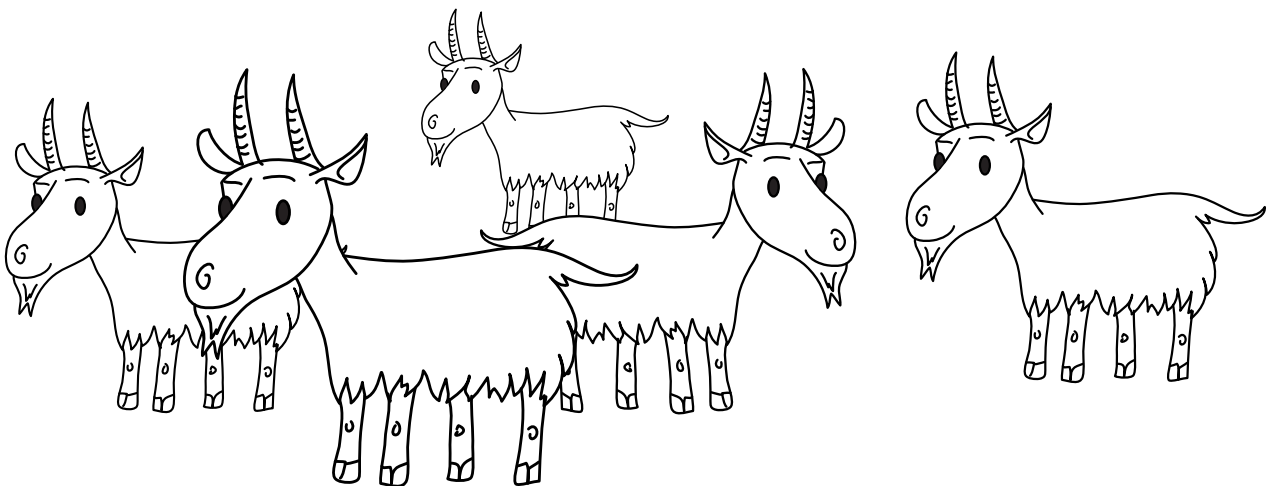


READ:
Genesis 27: 1-41

Isaac was old and blind. He wanted to pray a blessing over his eldest son, Esau. But Rebekah wanted Jacob to have the blessing.

Rebekah used two goat skins to cover Jacob's neck and hands to make him feel like his brother.

Colour the number of goats Rebekah used.



Jacob went in to see his father. He lied and told him that he was Esau. So Isaac gave Jacob the blessing.

Later on, Esau was angry that his brother had lied and stolen his blessing.

Decorate the words.

The Bible says,

“Do not lie...”

Colossians 3: 9

STORY 3: Jacob meets God

This story is about God's care.

Adult Guidance - Review story 2 with the children. Encourage them to think of a time when they made a promise. Did they keep their promise? The Bible says that God always keeps His promises.



READ:
Genesis 28: 1-22

Esau was still angry with Jacob. It was safer for Jacob to leave. He went to visit his Uncle Laban who lived far away in Haran.

He set out on his journey. When it got dark, he lay down to sleep.

He dreamed he saw a stairway reaching between Heaven and Earth. Angels were going up and down it.

God spoke to Jacob and promised him,

“I am with you...”

Genesis 28: 15

Colour the angels yellow. Join the dots to draw some stars in the night sky.



Jacob believed God's promise. God's promises are written in the Bible.

STORY 4: Jacob finds a wife

This story is about how Jacob was cheated by his uncle.

Adult Guidance - Remind the children of Jacob's story so far. Discuss how he cheated his father and brother. Emphasise again that cheating is wrong.



READ:
Genesis 29: 1-30

God brought Jacob safely to his Uncle Laban's house.

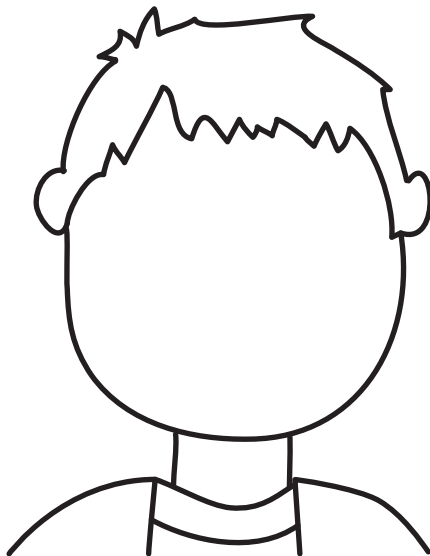
Jacob worked on his Uncle Laban's farm. He fell in love with Laban's daughter, Rachel. Laban promised that they could get married.

At the wedding, Laban tricked Jacob and gave him Leah, Rachel's older sister, to be his wife instead.

Jacob didn't want Leah. He wanted Rachel!

He was very upset. He had been tricked, just as he had tricked his father and brother.

Draw the expression on Jacob's face when he found out he had been tricked.



We can get into trouble when we tell lies or cheat somebody else.

The Bible says that God is pleased when we are fair and kind to others.

Can you think of ways to be kind to others?



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Marks (to be entered by leader)

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