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B.E.S.
& Friends



B.E.S.
A wise guide



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Bravely asks questions



Pause
Likes to stop and think



Beam
An encouraging friend

STORY 1: Ruth

This story is about trusting God.



READ:
Ruth 1

Long ago in Bethlehem, there lived a family. The father was called Elimelech (Elimelek, NIV), and the mother, Naomi. They had two sons called Mahlon and Kilion. When a famine came, they all went to live in a country called Moab.

Fill in the missing letters using the word clouds to help you.

Colour the pictures.

Elimelech

Naomi

Mahlon

Kilion



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Before long, Elimelech died. It was very sad for Naomi. As time went on her sons grew up and were married. Their wives were called Orpah and Ruth.

In a short time, both young men became ill and died. Now Naomi was left with her two daughters-in-law, Orpah and Ruth. Naomi decided to go back to Bethlehem. Orpah stayed in Moab but Ruth went back to Bethlehem with Naomi. She said to her,

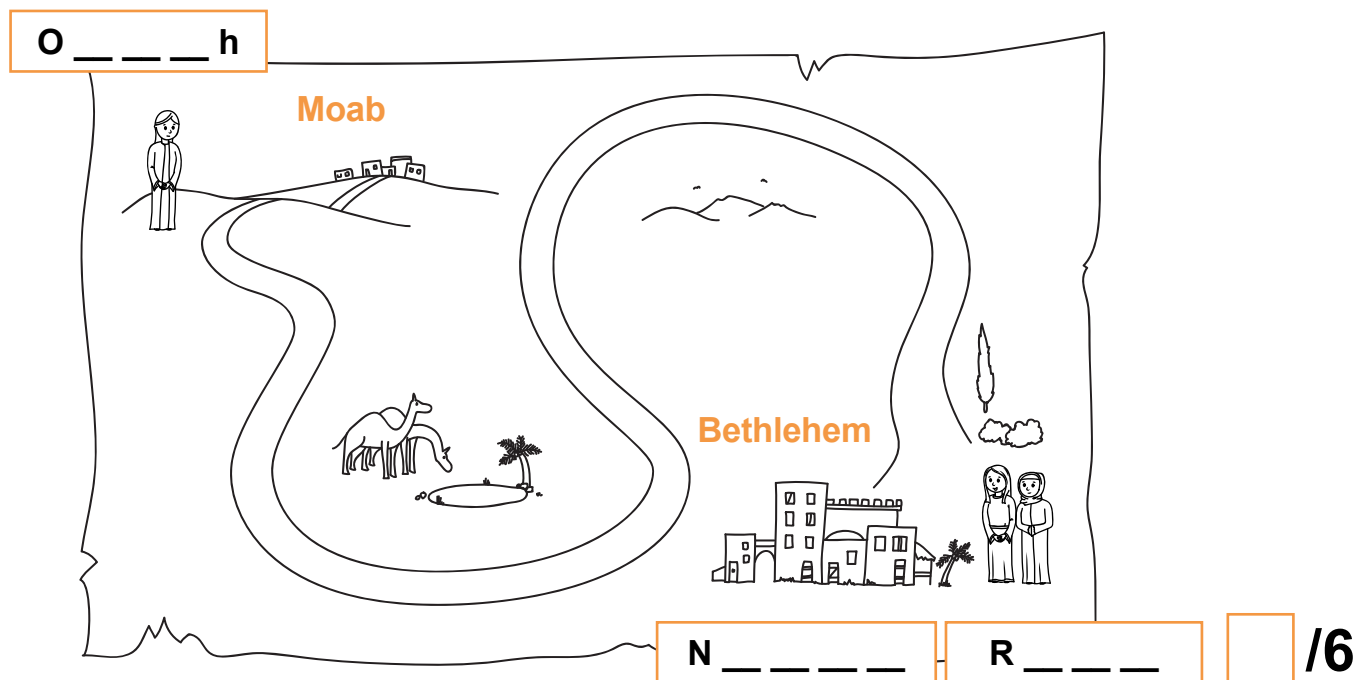
"Where you go, I will go... your people will be my people and

your God my God."

Decorate the words from Ruth 1: 16.

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Fill in the missing letters to show who stayed in Moab and who went to Bethlehem.



When they arrived in Bethlehem, everything was strange and new for Ruth. She didn't know yet, the great plans God had for her life!



TOTAL:

STORY 2: Ruth and Boaz

This story is about God's plan for Ruth.



READ:
Ruth 2, 3 & 4

When they arrived in Bethlehem, Naomi and Ruth were very poor. A rich man called Boaz, allowed Ruth to pick up the barley in his field. Naomi and Ruth could use the barley to make bread. Ruth was a stranger, but Boaz was very kind to her.

*How do you
feel when people are
kind to you?*



Colour three words to describe each character.

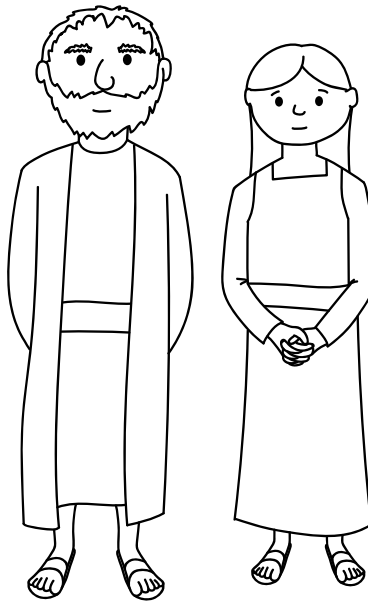
Boaz

Rich

Cross

Farmer

Kind



Ruth

A stranger

Poor

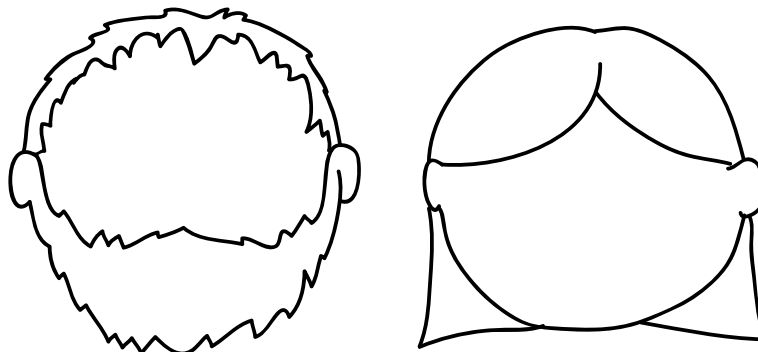
Lazy

Hardworking

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Boaz loved Ruth and married her. They were very happy.

Draw happy faces.



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God gave Boaz and Ruth a baby boy called Obed. Naomi, who was now old, loved the little boy and nursed him. She was happy! Obed grew up and became an important man. Years later, his grandson was the famous King David.

Draw pictures to complete the storyboard.

1 Ruth worked in the field collecting barley.	2 Boaz owned the fields. He had lots of money.
3 Ruth and Boaz loved each other and were married.	4 They had a baby boy called Obed.

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God was good to Ruth. She had put her trust in Him and in His plan for her life. He did not let her down.

TOTAL:

STORY 3: Hannah prays to God

This story is about God answering prayer.



READ:
1 Samuel 1

Elkanah had two wives. One was called Hannah and the other Peninnah. Peninnah had several children and often laughed at Hannah. She was unkind to her, because Hannah had no children.

Each year Elkanah and his family visited Shiloh, to worship God.

Colour the correct words to complete these sentences.

Elkanah had wives.

Peninnah was to Hannah because

she had children.

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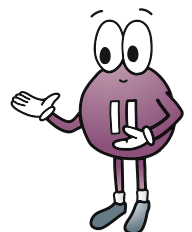
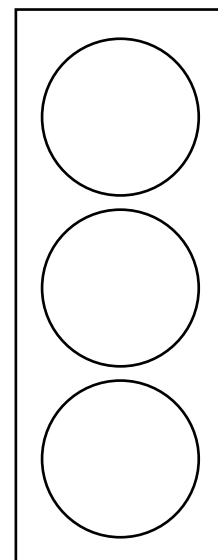
On one visit, Hannah was very upset because of the unkind words Peninnah had said. After their meal, Hannah decided to go and pray to God.

God answers prayer. Colour the circles on the traffic lights the correct colour.

No - I have something better in mind. (red)

Wait - This is not the right time. (yellow)

Yes - I will give you what you asked for. (green)



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As Hannah was praying, Eli, the priest, sat by the door, watching her. She cried, as she told God her problem. She asked God to give her a baby boy and promised he would always serve Him.

Even though her lips were moving, Eli heard no words. She was speaking to God in her heart! Hannah told Eli that she was very sad and upset. She explained that she had been praying to God.

Colour the lower case letters to find answers to the questions.

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How did Hannah feel?

Very **u** **T** **p** **D** **s** **E** **e** **R** **t** .

What did Hannah ask God for?

A **b** **L** **a** **M** **b** **N** **y** .

How was Hannah praying?

In her **K** **h** **M** **e** **P** **a** **S** **r** **S** **t** **S** .

What promise did Hannah make?

Her baby would **s** **M** **e** **K** **r** **L** **v** **P** **e** God.

Eli replied,

“Go in peace, and may the

God of Israel **grant** you

what you have asked of Him.”

Decorate the words.

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Then Hannah went home. She was no longer sad. God answered her prayer by giving her a baby boy. His name was Samuel.

TOTAL:

STORY 4: God calls Samuel

This story is about God speaking to us.



READ:
1 Samuel 1-3

When Samuel was very young, his mother took him to Shiloh to visit Eli, the priest. Hannah reminded Eli about her earlier visit and about her prayer to God. She kept her promise to God by leaving Samuel with Eli, so that he could serve God.

Hannah gave thanks to God. He had answered her prayer.

What things are you thankful for? See if you can tick 8 of the boxes below.



Friends and family



God



Clothes



Trees and plants



School



Dogs



Sunshine



Food



Cats



Rain



Water



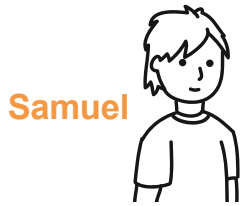
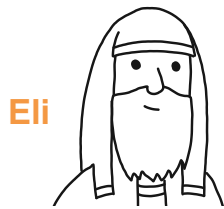
Love

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One night, while Eli and Samuel were asleep, God called Samuel by name. At first, Samuel thought it was Eli calling him, so he ran to Eli.

After this happened three times, Eli realised that it was God who was calling Samuel. So Eli told Samuel that if he was called again, he was to say, “Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.” (1 Samuel 3: 9) When God called the fourth time, Samuel was ready, and he answered Him.

Match the speech bubble to the correct picture.



Samuel!

Go and lie down, and if
He calls you, say, "Speak, Lord, for
your servant is listening."

Speak, for your
servant is listening.

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God gave Samuel an important message, which he passed on to Eli the next morning. As Samuel grew up, God gave him more messages for the people in Israel. This meant that Samuel was God's prophet and that God was with him.

Fill in the missing words using the word bank to help you.

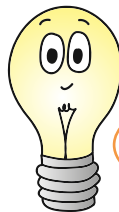
Bible

God

say

Today we have the . When we read it,
we find out what wants to to us.

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*The Bible is such a special
book because when we read it,
we hear God speaking to us.*

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Marks (to be entered by leader)

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STORY 1:

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STORY 4:

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Grand Total