

*Welcome* to another week of studying the Bible! I hope you have been enjoying the studies and learning lots about God from His Word. This week we are thinking about God's wonderful Creation! You have probably heard this story over and over, but have you ever really studied it for yourself? Let's do that today - Don't forget to pray first!

First of all, <b>PRAY</b> and ask God to <i>help you</i>	Dear God.
<i>understand</i> as you study	Praise God that He is
the Bible. Ask God to	Praise God for
speak to you and help	Thank God for
you know how He wants you to <b>apply</b> His Word to	
your life. Remember:	Ask God for
That is our goal!	Amen.
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#### Today – We are going to dig into the first book of the bible – The Book of Genesis.

Do you know what the word "Genesis" means? If you don't, have a guess at what you think it might mean - \_\_\_\_\_

## Read Genesis 1 v 1-2

<sup>1</sup> In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup> Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

If you are struggling with the answer, there is a word in v1 that will help you.

WHO is the creator? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT did He create? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT was the earth like at the beginning? \_\_\_\_\_

WHO was hovering over the waters? \_\_\_\_\_

Now mark every reference to "The Creator" in verses 1 and 2 with a



# Read Genesis 1 v 3-13

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<sup>3</sup>And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. <sup>4</sup>God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup>God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night." And there was evening, and there was morning—the first day.

- <sup>6</sup> And God said, "Let there be a vault between the waters to separate water from water." <sup>7</sup> So God made the vault and separated the water under the vault from the water above it. And it was so. <sup>8</sup> God called the vault "sky." And there was evening, and there was morning—the second day.
- <sup>9</sup> And God said, "Let the water under the sky be gathered to one place, and let dry ground appear." And it was so. <sup>10</sup> God called the dry ground "land," and the gathered waters he called "seas." And God saw that it was good.
- <sup>11</sup> Then God said, "Let the land produce vegetation: seed-bearing plants and trees on the land that bear fruit with seed in it, according to their various kinds." And it was so. <sup>12</sup> The land produced vegetation: plants bearing seed according to their kinds and trees bearing fruit with seed in it according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good. <sup>13</sup> And there was evening, and there was morning—the third day.

#### WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?

We need to think about what the Bible is saying to us and so we use our 3 important tasks to help us. Are you ready? Let's go...

# **ASK** questions:

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Re-Read the passage - WHO is the main person in the passage?

## **MARK** the passage:

Read verses 3-13 and put a triangle every time **GOD** is mentioned.

# LIST what you have learnt about God?

V3-5: God said	
God saw	
God called	
There was evening and morning the	
V6-8: God said	
God made	
God called	
There was evening and morning the	
V9-10: God said	
God called	
God saw	
V11-13: God said	
God saw	
There was evening and morning the	

#### Read Genesis 1 v 14-25

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<sup>4</sup> And God said, "Let there be lights in the vault of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them serve as signs to mark sacred times, and days and years, <sup>15</sup> and let them be lights in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth." And it was so. <sup>16</sup> God made two great lights-the greater light to govern the day and the lesser light to govern the night. He also made the stars. <sup>17</sup> God set them in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth, <sup>18</sup> to govern the day and the night, and to separate light from darkness. And God saw that it was good. <sup>19</sup> And there was evening, and there was morning—the fourth day. <sup>20</sup> And God said, "Let the water teem with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the vault of the sky." <sup>21</sup> So God created the great creatures of the sea and every living thing with which the water teems and that moves about in it, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. <sup>22</sup> God blessed them and said, "Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the water in the seas, and let the birds increase on the earth." <sup>23</sup> And there was evening, and there was morning—the fifth day. <sup>24</sup> And God said, "Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: the livestock, the creatures that move along the ground, and the wild animals, each according to its kind." And it was so. <sup>25</sup> God made the wild animals according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds, and all the creatures that move along the ground according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good. **MARK** the passage: Read verses 14-25 and put a triangle every time **GOD** is mentioned. **LIST** what you have learnt about God? V14-19: God said \_\_\_\_\_ God made \_\_\_\_\_ God set God saw There was evening and morning the \_\_\_\_\_ day V20-23: God said God created \_\_\_\_\_ God saw There was evening and morning the \_\_\_\_\_ day V24-25: God said \_\_\_\_\_\_ God made God saw This was part of God's creation on day 6 – we'll look more at Day 6 next week

If you had to give this story a title – What would you call it? \_\_\_\_\_

What have you learnt about God in these verses – think about something you maybe haven't thought about before! \_\_\_\_\_

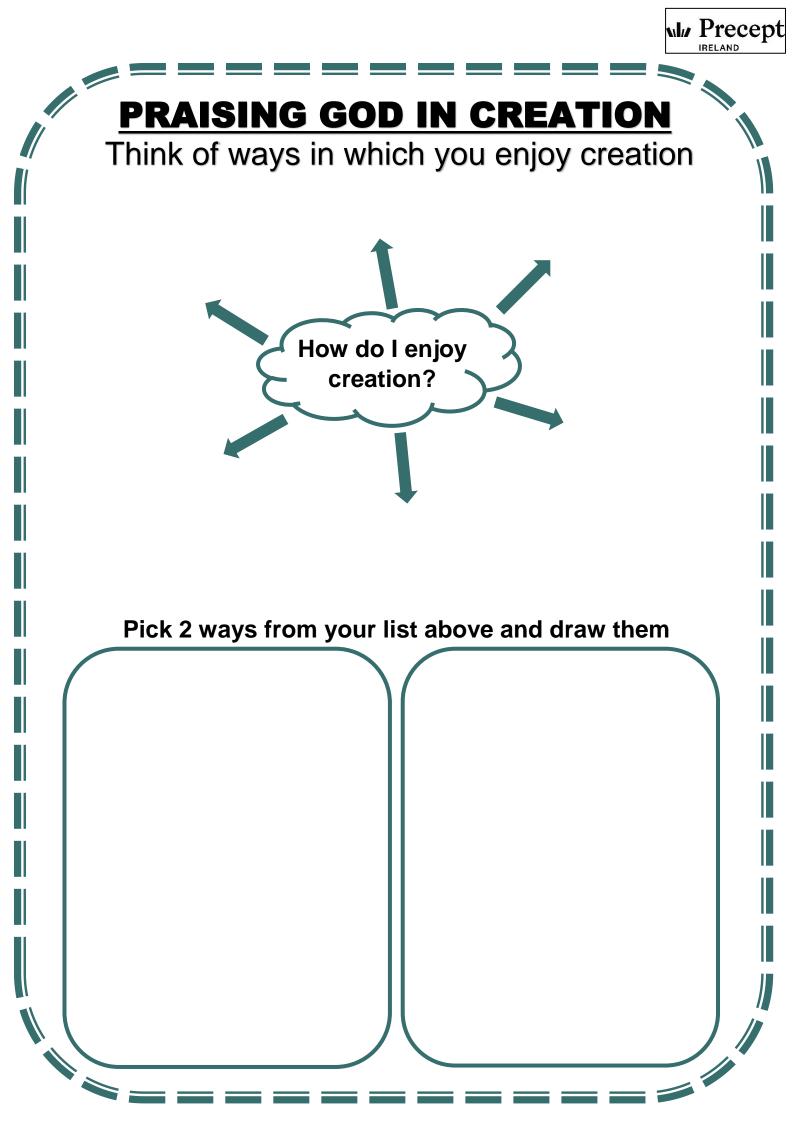
**God created our world just by speaking!** We cannot even begin to understand how God could do such wonderful things, but he did. We have just read all about it, so we can completely trust that He did. Some people may try to tell you that the world was created a different way - but we know that's not true - because the Bible tells us that God created the world. How wonderful is our creator - God has all power and he had a wonderful and perfect plan for the universe.

What would you say to someone who tried to tell you that God didn't create the world? Think of things you could say from what we have studied together...

I wonder do you ever look at the vastness of the seas and the skies - or how beautiful the flowers around us are or a really tall tree - and think of how God created it all? I wonder do you ever say thank you to God and tell him how wonderful he is for creating all these things. God wants you to come to Him and thank him for making this beautiful world for us to live in... to worship him - this means to tell him how great he is and how much we love him, and tell him that he really deserves our praise and our thanks.



- 1. Why could God create things by just speaking?
- 2. What do you think it means to worship God?
- 3. What is your favourite animal? Did you know God created it?
- 4. What amazes you most about God and His creation?
- 5. What are some of the things you could thank God for today?





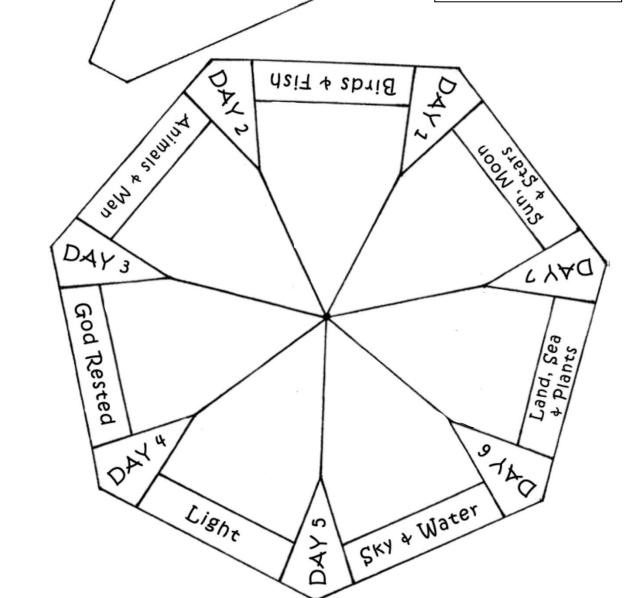
#### WHY DON'T YOU **MAKE A CREATION** WHEEL TO HELP YOU **REMEMBER WHAT WE** LEARNT TODAY?

Print and cut out the 2 shapes on this page

Draw and colour what God created on each of the days to create your own creation wheel

Put the top on the bottom one and attach with a split pin through the whole in the middle

Turn the top page to see what God created on each day. How many of the days can you remember?



"In the beginning God created

the heavens and the earth"