



Snap Shots



365!

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*Bible reading for
8- to 11-year-olds*



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Happy New Year! Let's start the year with some really happy verses...

After he rose from the dead, Jesus went back to heaven to be with God. This week we'll get a bigger picture of what heaven will be like.

Read Revelation 21:1–4.

What will be there in heaven, the New Jerusalem?

What will not be there?

Take verse 4 and work out your own signs for each phrase. Now talk with God, using the signs, thanking him that heaven will be like that.

Brand new

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God gave John several dreams or visions that we can read about in Revelation, the last book in the Bible. John was in prison on the island of Patmos when he wrote them down.

Read Revelation 21:5–7.

What is God, who is sitting on the throne, saying?

I will make everything clean/new/shining.

I am the beginning and the end/the middle/the cooling place.

I give refreshment and water sometimes/freely/a few drops at a time.

Everyone who is with me at the end will be my children/people/friends.

Thank God that in heaven nothing will be broken or dried up or dirty! It will be new!



He knows your name



How many names do you have? Include nicknames or ways that describe you such as "Mrs Smith's son".

Read Revelation 21:22-27.

Join the pictures to the questions:

What is heaven described like?



What shines on the city?

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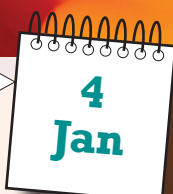
What will kings bring?



Read verse 27 again. Everyone who loves Jesus will have their name written in the Lamb's (Jesus') book of life and they will be in heaven. Imagine Jesus calling you by name. How does that make you feel?



Wish you were here



Do you like getting postcards from friends? When you go on holiday, do you send postcards? What do you write about?

Read Revelation 22:1-2.

Imagine you have just arrived in heaven. Write a postcard to one of your friends, telling them what it's like.

Dear _____


Well, here I am in heaven!

There is a _____ flowing through the middle. It's called the river that gives _____.

It comes from the _____ of God!

There is a _____ which gives _____.

The leaves are for _____!



Read the verses again and then thank God that heaven is so amazing. (Psst! What picture of heaven would you want to put on the other side of the postcard?)

