



Snap Shots

through
the year!
SAMPLE

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



Just about everything

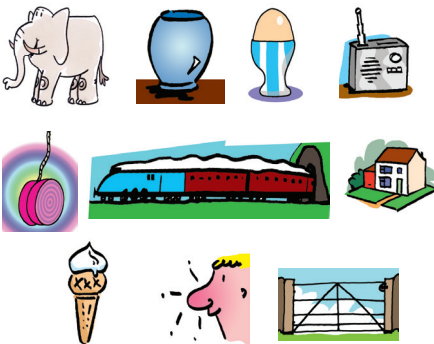
1
January

Have you written all your Christmas thank you letters? Paul wrote letters to people who wanted to join together to praise God for Jesus.

Read Colossians 1:15-17.

See if you can crack the code then you will have the answer to the following questions! (Clue – take the first letter of each object.)

- What was created by Jesus?
- What was made for Jesus?
- What does Jesus hold together?



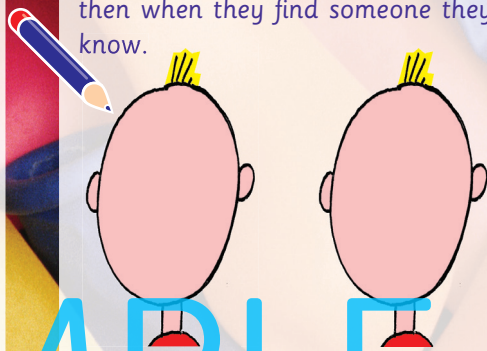
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Thank God that Jesus is so special.



Brought home!

2
January

Have you ever been lost? Fill in the faces to show how someone might feel when they are lost and then when they find someone they know.



Read Colossians 1:18-20.

These verses tell us massive truths about Jesus.

See if you can fill in the gaps using the pictures as a clue.

Jesus is the head of his _____,
the church.



God made peace with us through Jesus' death on a _____.



So God can bring the whole _____
back to himself.



Enemies or friends?

3
January

How could an enemy become a friend again?

Read Colossians 1:21–23.

What made us God's enemies? Fill in the missing vowels.

E_v_l_t_h_n_g_s_w_
d_d_ _n_d_t_h_ _g_h_t

How did God make us his friends?

Jesus died so that we could be friends with him. Round the heart shape, draw pictures of three things in your life that you love.

One day, God's friends will be holy, faultless and pure – that means totally good! Write "100% good" on the cross.

Dear God, thank you for sending Jesus to die for me so that I can be your friend. Help me to become the sort of friend you want me to be. Amen.



Out of this world

4
January

It is very sad when someone we care about dies, but because of Jesus we don't have to be scared.

Read Colossians 3:1–4.

If we really love Jesus, we will be with him in heaven one day.

Jesus is already there, with God, ready to welcome us.

It's hard to imagine what heaven will be like. Thinking of things we love might help.

Round the heart shape, draw pictures of three things in your life that you love.



Dear God, I love you. In my life I love _____ and _____.

Thank you that heaven will be full of your love. Amen.

