

# BIBLE HAPPENINGS

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## Felicia at the Farmer's Market

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Felicia could hardly wait until Saturday. That's the day her cousins and aunts and uncles were coming!

All week long, Mama and Grandma had worked hard to get ready. They swept the floors. They dusted the shelves. They washed the windows. Felicia helped by cleaning her room.

Today Mama and Grandma planned to cook for the visitors. They would bake pies and cakes and casseroles. But first they would go to the farmer's market for fresh fruits and vegetables. Felicia had never been to the farmer's market. Mama called it "God's supermarket."

"Because this is where we will find the best of God's creation," Mama explained.

When they drove into the market, Felicia's eyes grew wide. There were more fruits and vegetables and nuts than she had ever seen in one place! Rows of purple and red and orange and yellow and green and brown were everywhere.

Mama and Felicia parked near a man selling big orange pumpkins. On a table were small pumpkins. *Just the right size for a tea party*, Felicia thought.

On the ground were huge pumpkins, big enough to sit on! Mama picked a nice round one with a curly stem. She paid the man and carried it to the car.

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Next, they found a lady selling baskets of shiny red apples. The sweet smell made Felicia's stomach growl. The lady cut a juicy apple in half and gave some to Felicia and Mama. Mmmm! It was so good!

"Please, Mama, buy some of these apples," Felicia said.

Mama laughed and bought a bag of the delicious apples. "These will make a good pie," Mama said. The lady gave Felicia the rest of the cut apple and she gobbled it up.

They moved on to a stand with strange-looking vegetables. Some were shaped like acorns. Others looked like nuts. Mama said they were squash. She squeezed them and picked out a pale orange squash.

On they went. Mama bought big yellow onions and hard, brown pecans and tiny red cranberries. There were potatoes and leafy lettuce and stalks of broccoli. Felicia's arms

were full when Mama finally said, "That's enough."

On the way home, Felicia nibbled another apple. Juice ran down her chin. Mama handed her a tissue.

"So what do you think of God's supermarket?" Mama asked Felicia.

"I think it's great!" Felicia said. "Especially the apples." She wiped her chin. "I never knew God made so many different fruits and vegetables."

"Yes," Mama said, "but we don't have to wait for meal time to thank Him for what He created. We can do that anytime."

Felicia finished her apple just as Mama pulled into the driveway. They carried the food into the kitchen.

"You know, I'm thankful for everything God made — even broccoli," Felicia said. "But I'll be even more thankful when I eat your apple pie!"

## QUESTIONS TO TALK ABOUT

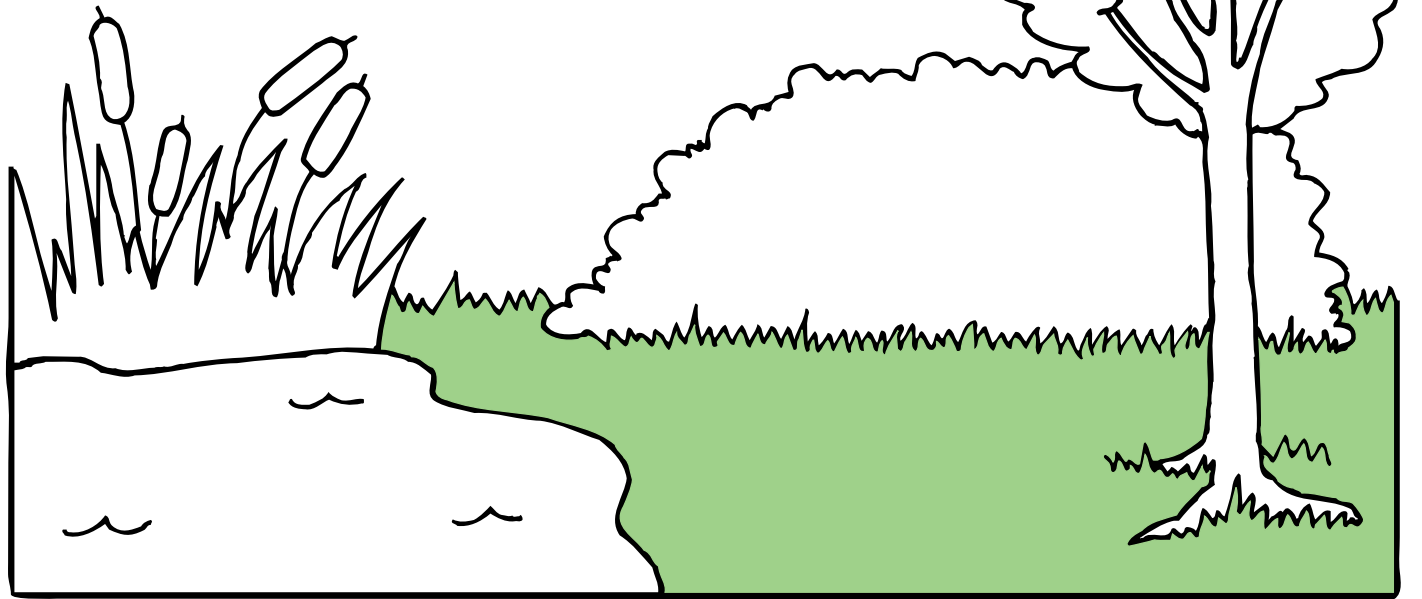


1. Why did Mama call the farmer's market "God's supermarket"?
2. What fruits and vegetables are you most thankful for?

## God Made Plants and Trees

Read Genesis 1:1-13 with your parent.

Color the picture of God's creation. Draw your favorite fruits and vegetables on the plants and trees. Add flower stickers or cut out pictures of flowers from magazines and glue them to the picture, too.



When time began, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth had no shape. It was dark and empty. But God's Spirit was hovering nearby.

God said, "Let there be light." And God was pleased with the light. He called it "day" and He called the darkness "night." That was the first day.

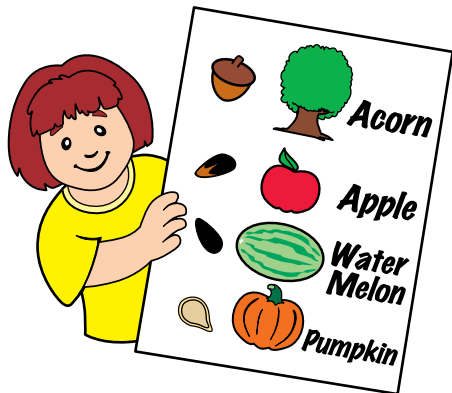
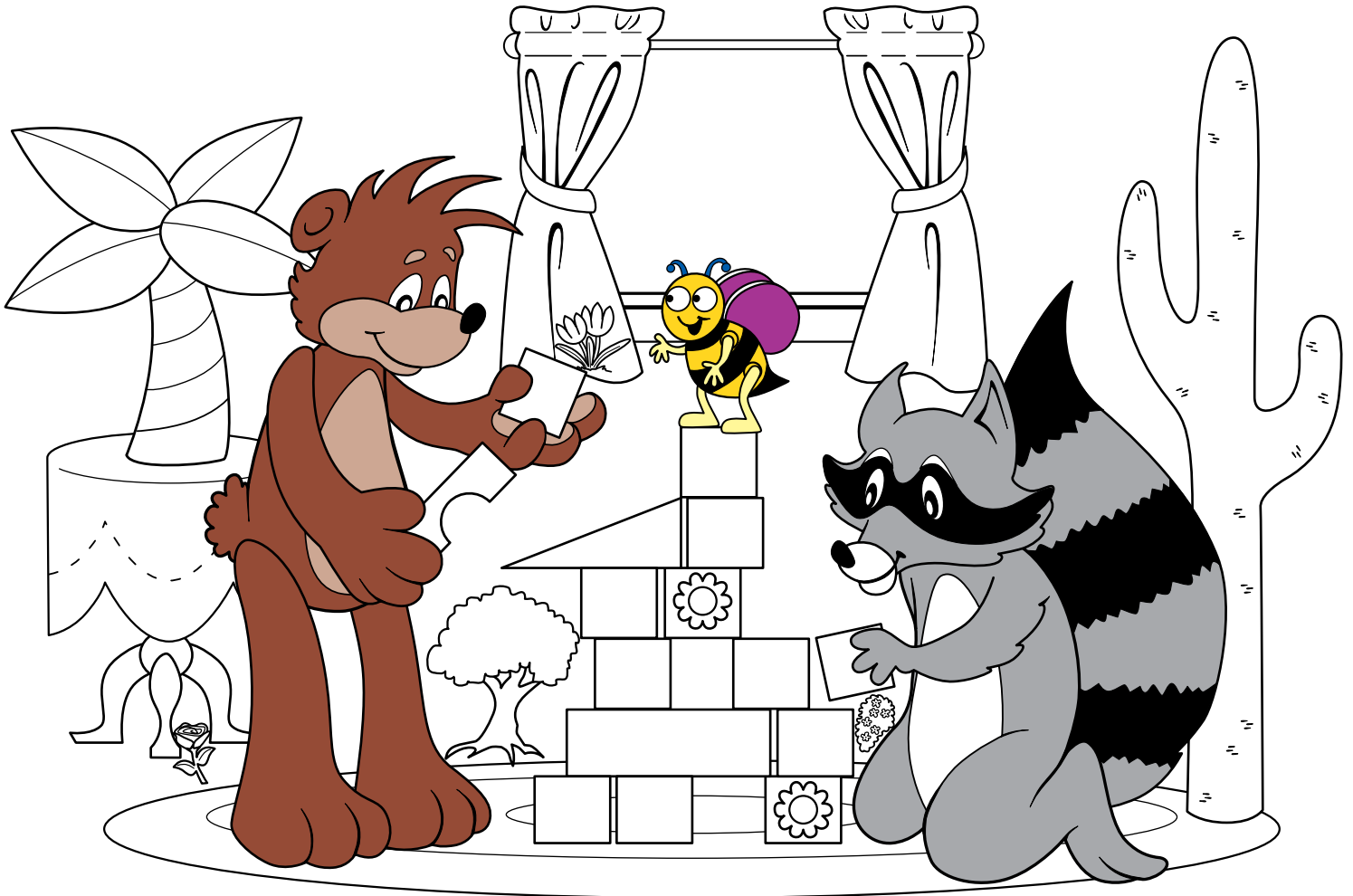
The next day God created a space between the waters. He called it "sky." He was pleased with the sky. That was the second day.

On the third day, God said, "Let the water move to one place. Let dry ground come out." He called the ground "land" and the water "seas." It was good, and God was pleased with the seas and the land.

Then God made plants and trees on the land. Some of the plants and trees grew fruits and vegetables with seeds. Some of the plants and trees grew beautiful flowers. What God made was good. What God made was tasty and beautiful. God was pleased with His creation.

# Plants in Hiding

As Cubby Bear, Happy Honeybee, and Raccoon play with their toys, they don't see all the plants hiding around them. Color the hidden plants, flowers, and trees in the picture.



## ★★★ FAMILY PROJECT ★★★

Dear Boys & Girls,

The Bible says God made many trees and plants that have seeds. Take a nature walk with your mom or dad, and see how many seeds you can find. You can glue the seeds on poster board and draw a picture of the plant or fruit each came from. Then have your mom or dad print the name of each plant or fruit. Enjoy a fruit snack together when you're done!

Love,

Cubby Bear



## MEMORY VERSE TO LEARN

Genesis 1:1 — “[In the beginning,] God created the heaven and the earth.” (KJV)  
“[In the beginning,] God created the heavens and the earth.” (NIV)