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Solomon

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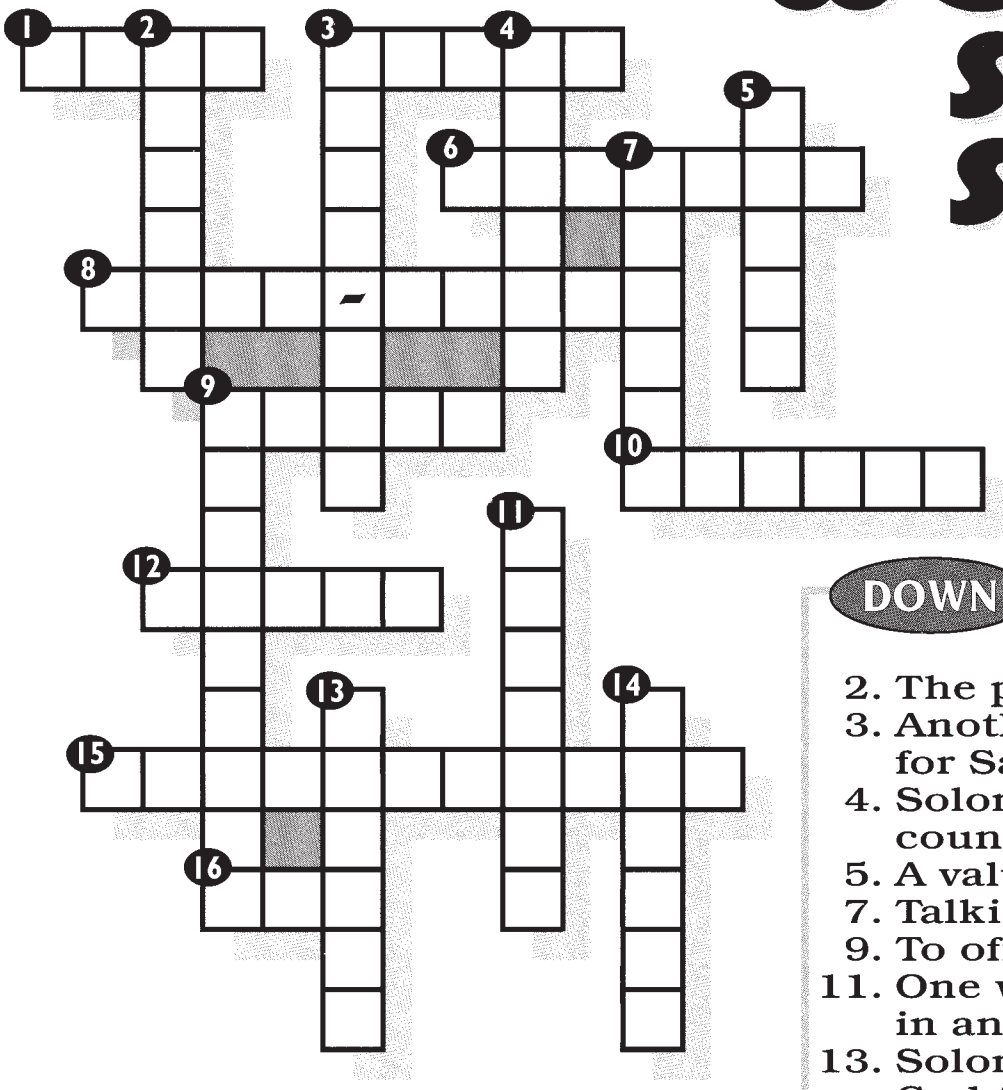
SOLOMON'S CROSSWORD



DOWN

2. The prophet
3. Another name for Salt Sea
4. Solomon's country
5. A valuable wood
7. Talking to God
9. To offer to God
11. One who serves in an army
13. Solomon asked God to give him _____
14. House of God

ACROSS

1. Ruler
3. Solomon's father
6. Spokesman for God
8. Solomon's mother
9. Sacrificial animal
10. Wealth
12. God spoke to Solomon in a _____
15. Made war with Israel
16. To finish

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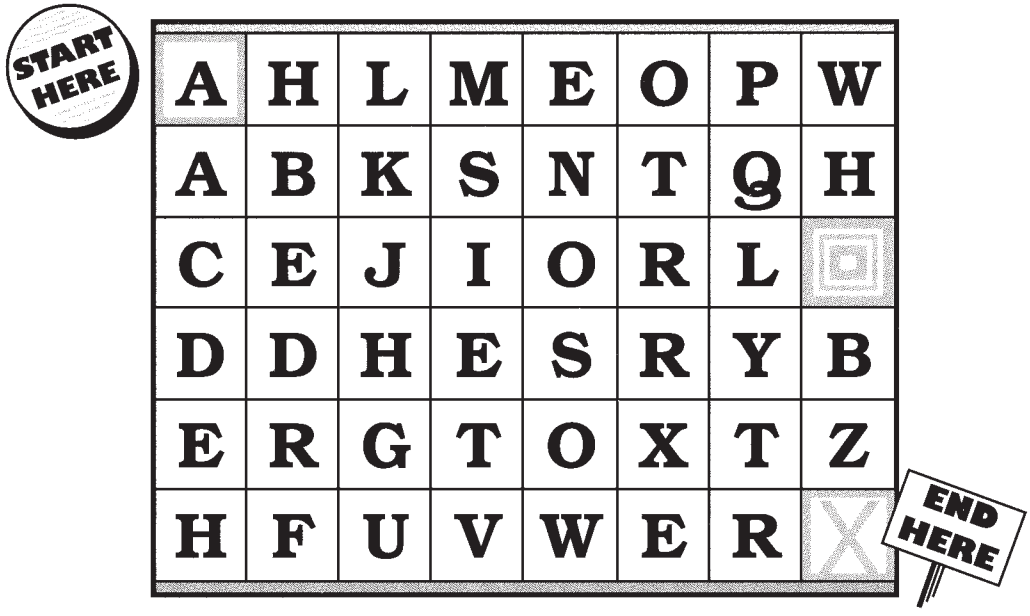
ALPHABET MAZE

Adonijah, Solomon's brother, thought he should be king instead of Solomon. Why did he think he should be king of Israel? Work the maze below to find the reason.

Step One: Starting with the "A" in the upper left corner, draw a continuous line through the letters of the alphabet in their correct order until you reach the "Z". You may move one square at a time -up, down, across, or diagonally.



Step Two: As you move from left to right in each row of the maze, write the remaining letters, in order, on the blanks below.

Adonijah thought he should be king because

__ __ __ __ __ __ __ __

__ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __.

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SOLOMON'S WORD JUMBLE

Read the clues below and unscramble the words to learn more about Solomon and his kingdom.

1. God allowed me to build his temple. Who am I? **M O N S O L O** _____

2. I am captain of the army under David and Solomon. Who am I? **B O A J** _____

3. I am a prophet that gave David and Solomon good advice. Who am I? **T A N A N H** _____

4. I am a priest that crowned Adonijah king of Israel. Who am I? **R A B I T H A A** _____

5. I am the father of Adonijah and Solomon. Who am I? **V I D A D** _____

6. I am the city that Solomon lived in. Who am I? **R S L M E J E U A** _____

7. I am the priest who crowned Solomon king of Israel. Who am I? **K O Z A D** _____

8. I am what Solomon asked God to give him. What am I? **S I D M W O** _____

9. Two women brought me before Solomon. Who am I? **Y A B B** _____

10. We are the people who fought against Israel for many years. Who are we? **L N I E I P I H S T S** _____

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THE UNFINISHED ALPHABET

It is good to get wisdom, but what is wisdom? Find the answer in the puzzle below.

Step One: Find the missing letters in each alphabet row. Write the missing letters on the line next to each alphabet.

1. **B C D E F G I J K L M N O P Q R S U V X Y Z** _____
2. **A B C D E F G H J K L M N O P Q R T U V W X Y Z** _____
3. **A B C D F G H I J K L M N O P Q S V W X Y Z** _____
4. **B C E F G H I J K L M O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z** _____
5. **A B C D E F J K L M N O P Q S U V W X Y Z** _____

Step Two: Unscramble the letters at the end of each row to make a word. Write the words in order on the blanks below to complete the sentence.

Wisdom is understanding

_____ _____ _____

_____ _____.

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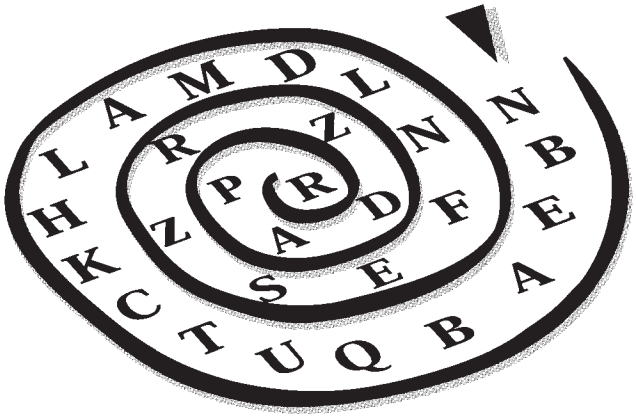
Daniel's Word Whirls

On each word whirl below, begin at the arrow and circle the first letter. Then circle every other letter. The circled letters will make a word that will answer the question below each puzzle. Write your answers in the blanks.

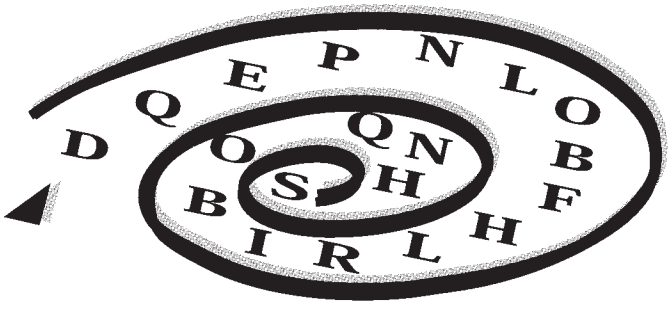


1. What was the name of the first king Daniel served?

_____

2. What was Shadrach's Hebrew name?

_____



3. Where did King Darius put Daniel as a punishment? (3 words)

_____

4. What was the name of the second king Daniel served?

_____

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GOD'S A-MAZE-ING MIRACLES

God's protection of Daniel and his three friends was a great miracle. He kept them safe because they were faithful and obedient to Him.

Hidden in the maze below are two places where God protected them from harm. To find these places, move through the maze from Daniel at the top, to Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego at the bottom. There is only one correct path. Once you have found it, go back to the beginning and cross off every other letter starting with the letter "X." The remaining letters will spell out two of the places where God protected Daniel and his friends. Write them in the blanks at the bottom of the page.

	S	L	T	P	O	T	L	D	M	Y	P	X
B	K	O	H	R	Q	C	G	H	R	S	T	T
O	J	R	I	H	C	L	A	F	M	H	E	A
R	K	N	A	E	G	H	P	D	L	R	V	H
J	S	P	L	G	T	M	N	E	Q	F	I	B
			B	F	R	Z	O	R	M	Y	S	E
				T	H	Y	W	U	U	O	F	Z
			G	O	D	E	O	T	D	F	D	B
			N	S	E	F	D	S	V	F	L	

MIRACLE ONE: _____

MIRACLE TWO: _____

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DANIEL'S WORD JUMBLE

Who or what am I? Unscramble each word on the right to answer the statements on the left. Your answers will be names of people or things that are important to Daniel's story.

1. Daniel interpreted my dream. Who am I?

R Z E A H E B N U C D N Z A

_____

2. Daniel's three friends were thrown into me as a punishment. What am I?

Y I R E F A U N F R E C

_____

3. My Hebrew name is Azariah. Who am I?

G E B E D A N O

_____

4. I am the second king Daniel served. Who am I?

A Z E S A L B H Z R

_____

5. My Hebrew name is Hananiah. Who am I?

H A H D A S R C

_____

6. God gave me great faith and wisdom. Who am I?

E A I D N L

_____

7. I threw Daniel into the den of lions. Who am I?

I G K N U A I D R S

_____

8. My Hebrew name is Mishael. Who am I?

C E S A M H H

_____

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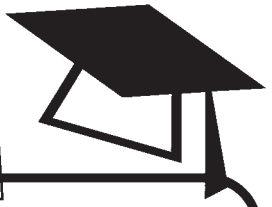
Take an *S.A.T.



1. What was the name of the first king Daniel and his friends served?

_____

2. What were the names of Daniel's three friends who were kidnapped with him? _____

_____

3. What honor did the king give to Daniel and his friends?_____

_____

4. What did the king's dream mean?_____

_____

5. Why were Daniel's friends thrown into the fiery furnace?_____

_____

6. When the king looked in the furnace, how many people did he see? Why did this surprise him? _____

_____

7. Who was the second king Daniel served? Was he good or evil? _____

_____

8. What miracle did this king see? Why did it frighten him? _____

_____

9. Who was the third king Daniel served?_____

_____

10. Why was Daniel put in the lions' den?_____

_____

11. What miracle happened there?_____

_____

12. What did the king do to punish his wicked counselors?_____

_____

BONUS QUESTION

Between which two books of the Bible is the book of Daniel found?

_____

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WORD WHEEL

In Esther 2:7 we discover that Esther had more than one name.

To find what her other name was, move clockwise around the wheel and color in every other letter beginning with the **"X"** at the arrow. When you have finished, return to the arrow. Moving clockwise around the wheel, read the letters that were not colored in. Write the letters in order in the blanks below the puzzle to discover another name for Esther.

_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____

_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____

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CROWN RATING

WORD SEARCH

Find and circle all of the words that are hidden in the puzzle below. Words are down, across, diagonal, and backwards. You will find a list of these words in the word box at the bottom of the page.

K A O B E D I E N C E C B H T I A F
K I K H L G N C R O W N F E O E P D
I J N M Y B Z V A W U B X B T S R Q
R G H G I N A M A H E J F R D M C M
E O N P D M Q N R L Q U E E N I K O
P S Y X A O B W Q Z V C U W T Z S R
E B T C E A M F D U J R E S G A H D
E S R H Q P O Z N M E L E C K D I E
K T X Z E Y E A U B C T V Y A W D C
E D G E F R C X E R X E S F A L E A
T H I J E K U A P W L R B S X R A I
A D E S V C F G R E T P E C S H P P
G Q H P Q O O N M N L T K M J Z I Y
R T A C W D X V E K I N G I J U K V
S E N O R H T B F Z G H V A S H T I

WORD BOX

1. ESTHER
2. MORDECAI
3. XERXES
4. HAMAN
5. ZERESH
6. VASHTI
7. DAZIM
8. GATEKEEPER
9. PALACE
10. HEBREWS
11. SCEPTER
12. CROWN
13. THRONE
14. KING
✓15. QUEEN
16. KINGDOM
17. PRAYER
18. FAITH
19. OBEDIENCE
20. BANQUET

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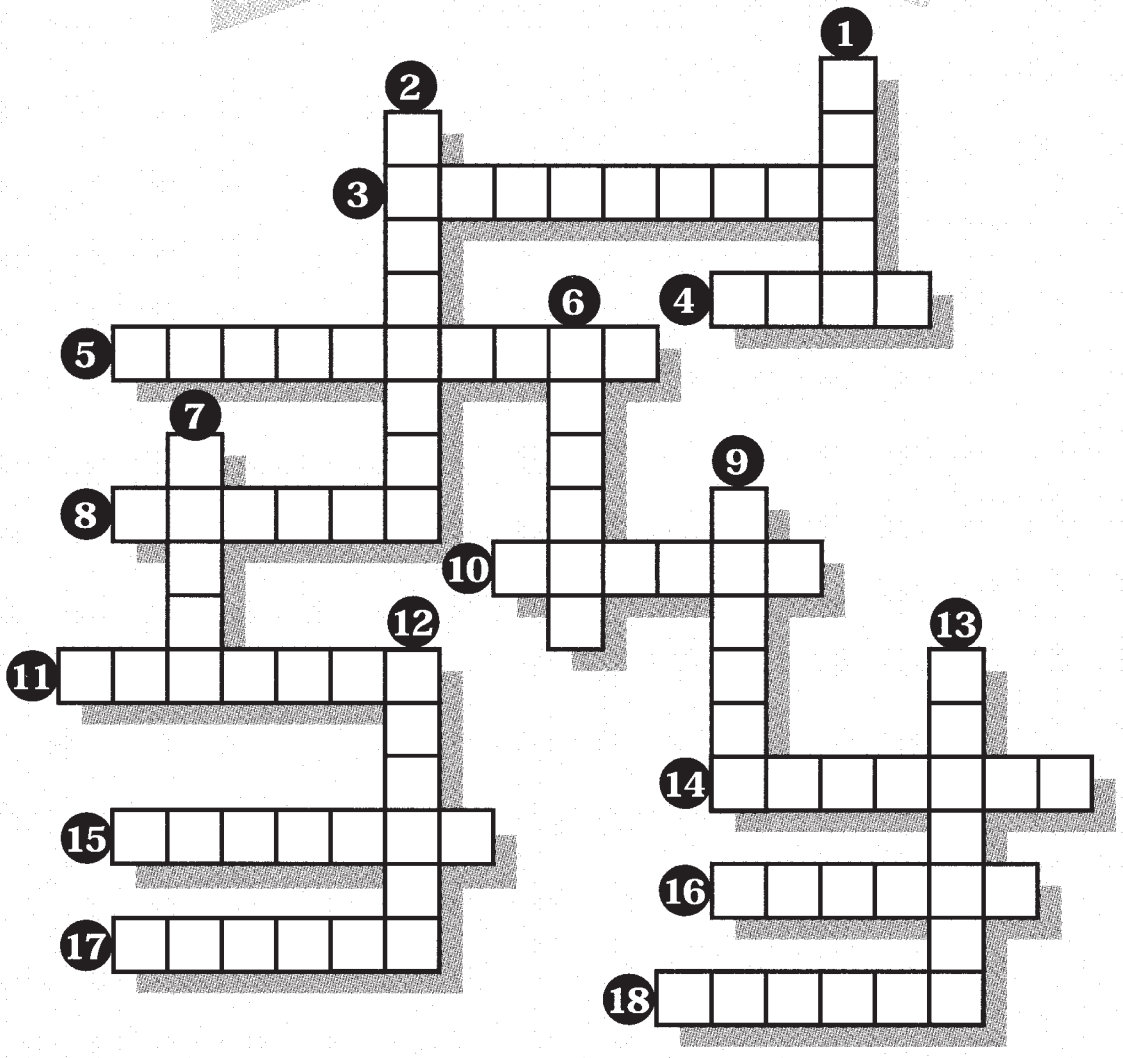
CROSS WORD



ACROSS

3. The act of obeying
4. Xerxes' title
5. Mordecai's title
8. The queen before Esther
10. The king's name
11. Feast
14. The people Haman wanted to kill
15. An area ruled by a king or queen
16. Esther was chosen queen because of her _____.
17. A king and queen's home
18. How we talk to God

DOWN

1. Esther's title
2. He raised Esther
6. She became queen of Persia
7. He plotted against the Hebrews
9. Haman's wife
12. A king's chair
13. A rod that is a symbol of a king's authority

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C·R·O·W·N
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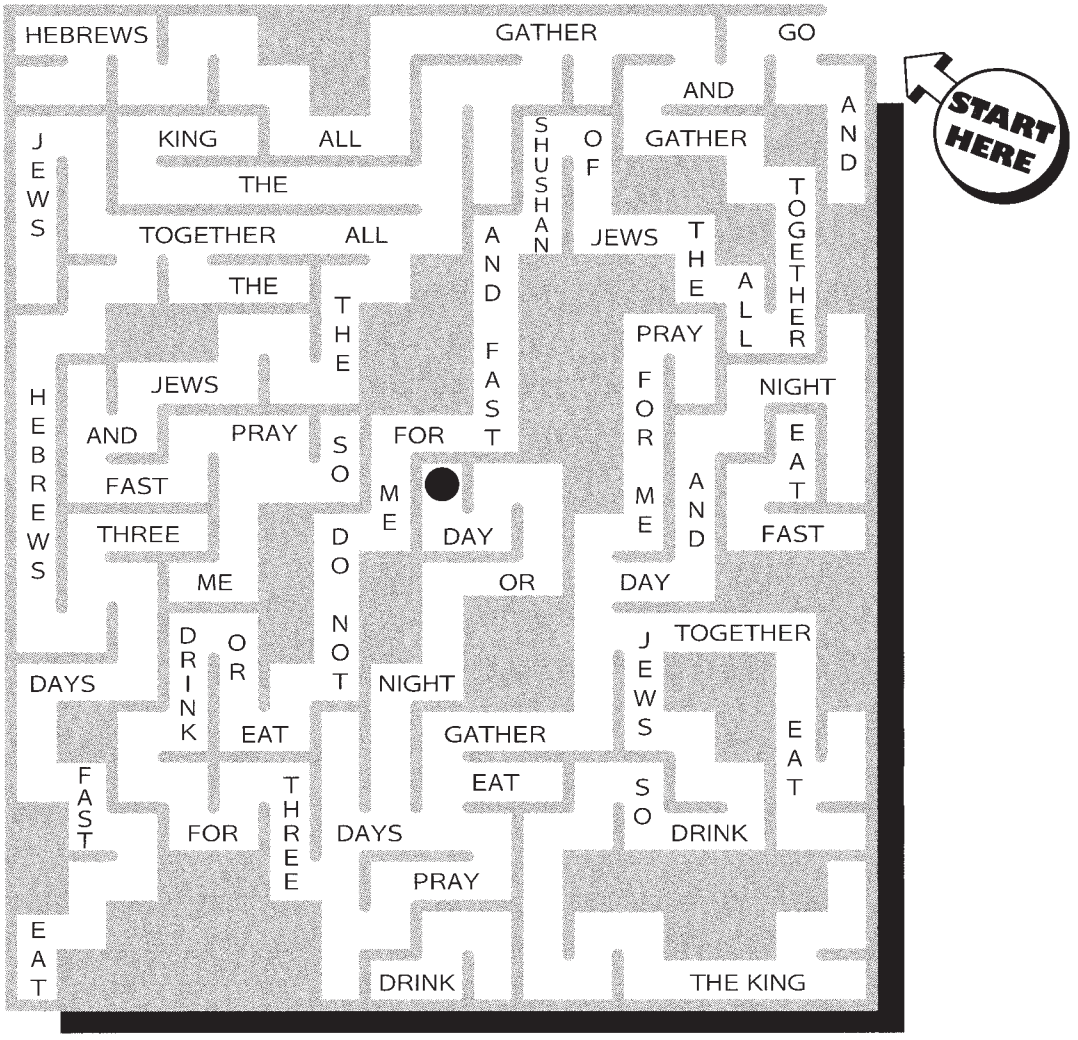
RATING

God's Courageous Queen

When Esther heard that Haman was planning to kill all the Jews, she knew she must go to the king, even if she were killed. She was willing to go, but she needed the Jewish people to help her.

To find what she asked them to do, start at the arrow and move through the maze until you reach the circle in the center. Write Esther's request on the lines below.



Esther 4:16 says: _____

_____

_____

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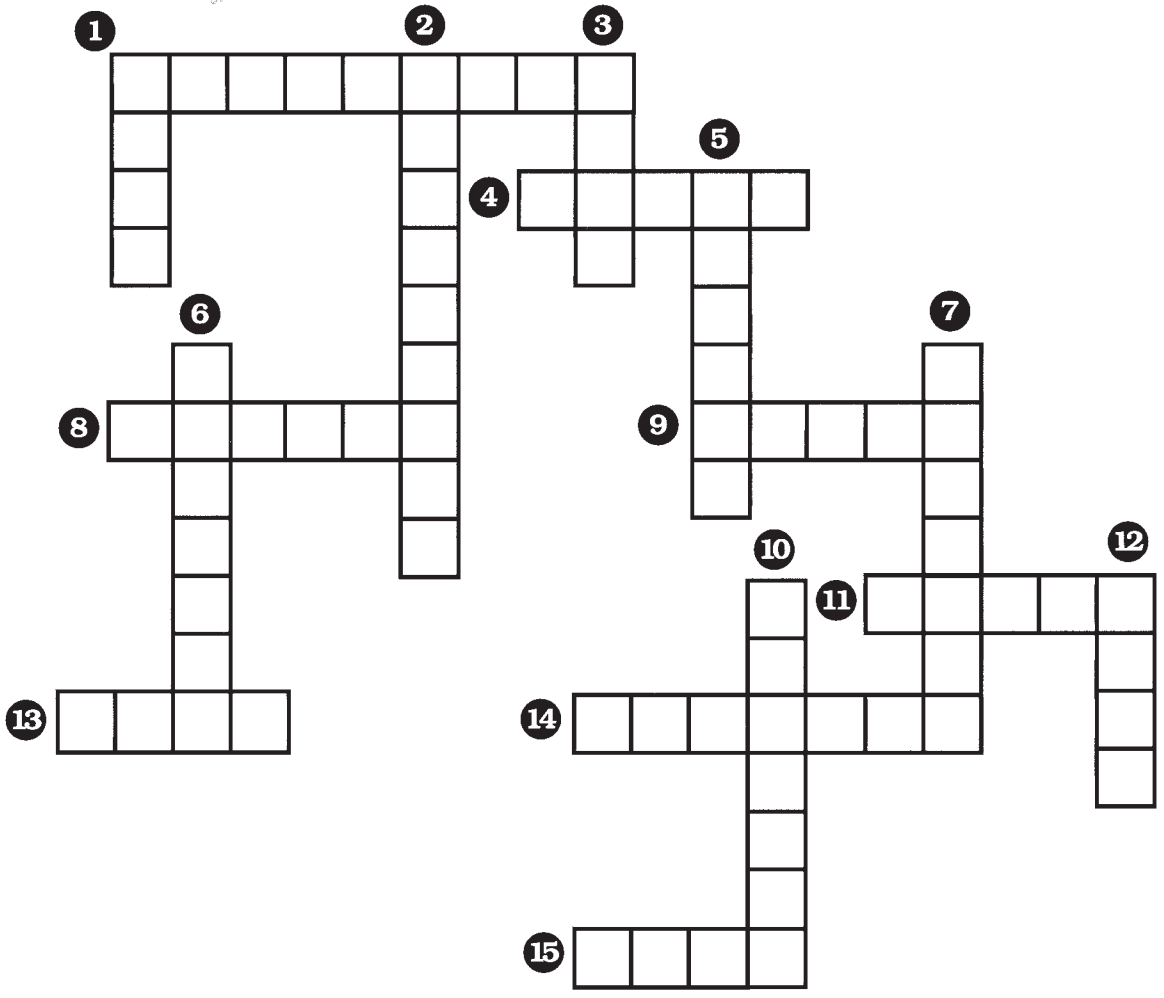
W·H·E·A·T RATING

CROSS WORD



Across

1. Naomi's home city.
4. Ruth's mother-in-law.
8. Lack of food and water.
9. She married Chilion.
11. Woman whose husband has died.
13. She married Boaz.
14. Close relative.
15. Son of Ruth and Boaz.

Down

1. Naomi's kinsman.
2. Naomi's husband.
3. Country where Ruth lived.
5. Naomi's oldest son.
6. Reaping and gathering of grain.
7. Naomi's younger son.
10. A married man.
12. A married woman.

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W·H·E·A·T RATING

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B L C O R J X Y N Z Q P A B R S E T
G C I D O K E O F M T S E V R A H G
O L H M P I K I N S M A N J P K L M
D N O P E Q W G R S U V T E U F V W
O X B Y R L Z A L B C D R E E A G W
F L O Q T R E D L E H S J K G M I I
I O A V Y L M C O R A F R E O I B F
S Q Z S H J M A H L O N A B R N U E
R F S B N O V V I Q N J E O I E U A
A D Q C A X U M X P R D Q R J M H G
E L P B I R O L F D R J K F S N A E
L M O C K A S M N D H U S B A N D V
Q D N J N O I L I H C S E Q J G I O
S R M E H E L H T E B R O N R U T H

WORD BOX

1. RUTH
2. NAOMI
3. ORPAH
4. ELIMELECH
5. MAHLON
6. CHILION
7. FAMINE
8. BETHLEHEM
9. MOAB
10. WIDOW
11. GOD OF ISRAEL
12. KINSMAN
13. BOAZ
14. PROPERTY
15. HARVEST
16. GLEANERS
17. REAPERS
18. WIFE
19. HUSBAND
20. OBED

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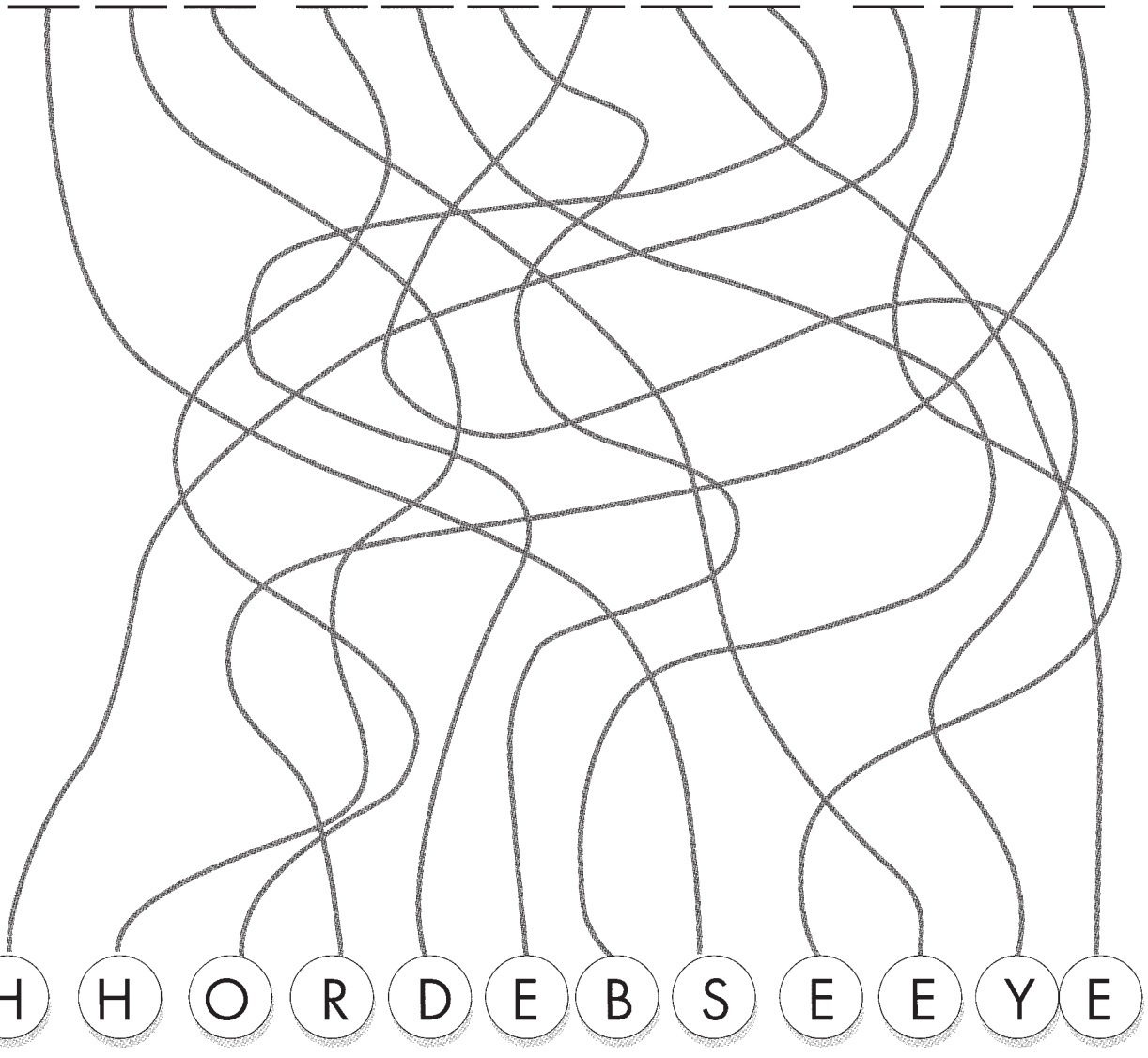
W·H·E·A·T RATING

FOLLOW The Line

Ruth was very kind. Follow the lines to the letters. Write the letter on the blank above the line. You will find one way Ruth was kind to her mother-in-law.



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TRUE or FALSE

W·H·E·A·T RATING

Read each statement below. If it is true, circle the "T." If it is false, circle the "F."

1.	There is a famine in Judah.	**T**	**F**
2.	Elimelech and his family stay in Bethlehem.	**T**	**F**
3.	Elimelech's sons marry two women from Moab.	**T**	**F**
4.	Both Orpah and Ruth return to Behtlehem with Naomi.	**T**	**F**
5.	Naomi and Ruth return to Bethlehem at the time of the barley harvest.	**T**	**F**
6.	Naomi's close relative was called Chilion.	**T**	**F**
7.	Ruth gleans grain in Boaz's fields.	**T**	**F**
8.	Boaz hears that Ruth has been a faithful daughter-in-law to Naomi.	**T**	**F**
9.	Ruth did not return to Boaz's fields.	**T**	**F**
10.	Naomi tells Ruth to speak to Boaz at the threshing floor.	**T**	**F**
11.	Ruth does not go to the threshing floor.	**T**	**F**
12.	Boaz redeems Naomi's land and marries Ruth.	**T**	**F**
13.	Boaz and Ruth had no children.	**T**	**F**
14.	Obed becomes the grandfather of King David.	**T**	**F**

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RAVEN RATING

Letter SHUFFLE

God's prophets in Israel were afraid for their lives. Wicked King Ahab wanted them all killed because they didn't serve his false god.

How many words can you make using the letters in the phrase:

PROPHETS OF ISRAEL?

Note: You cannot use any letter more times than it appears in the phrase. (For example: no more than two P's, one R, two O's, etc.)

THREE-LETTER WORDS

(One point each: ___ words x 1 = ___ points)

FOUR-LETTER WORDS

(Two points each: ___ words x 2 = ___ points

FIVE-LETTER WORDS

(Three points each: ___ words x 3 = ___ points)

SIX-LETTER WORDS

(Four points each: ___ words x 4 = ___ points)

TOTAL POINTS = _____

5-10 = Junior • 11-15 = Intermediate • 16-20 = Advanced • 21-30 = Ace
31-45 = Champ • 46-60 = Super Champ • Over 61 = Out of Sight

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PICTURE WRITING

In Elijah's day some people wrote with letters, but many used symbols or pictures.

Below is a message using pictures. Translate the message to find out something about King Ahab and Queen Jezebel. Look in the code box to find the letter for each symbol and write the letter in the blank below the symbol.

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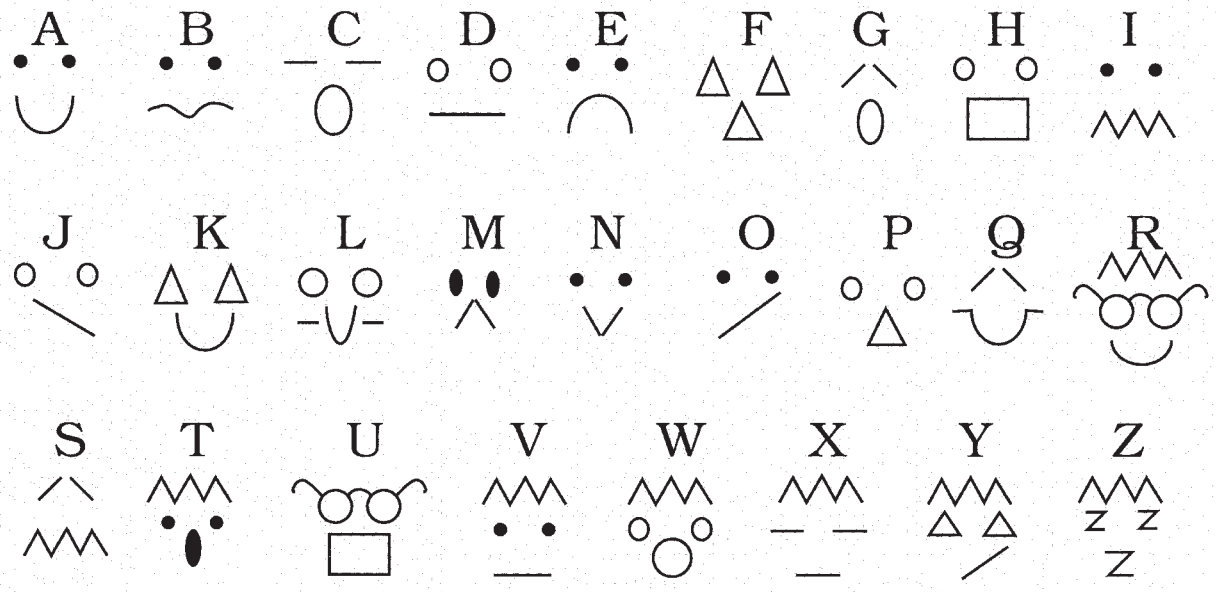

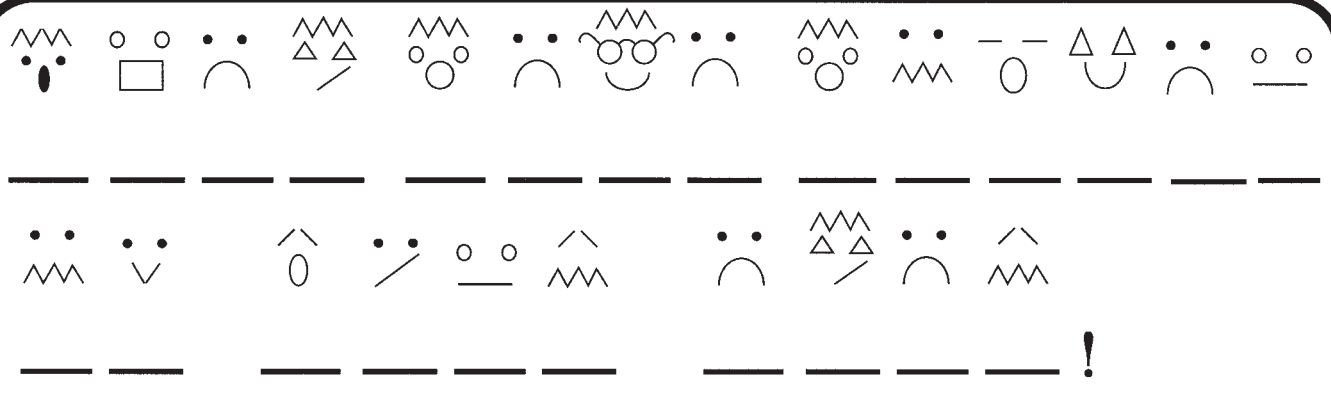

* To find the answer in your Bible turn to I Kings 16:33.

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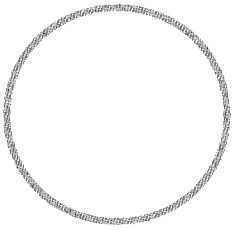
Fun With Synonyms

Synonyms are different words that mean the same thing. For example, "tiny" is a synonym for "small." To have some fun with synonyms, look at the words below each shape. Then find the synonyms in the Help Box that would best match each word. Write the correct synonyms inside the shapes above the matching words. (NOTE: You may use your own synonyms if you want.)



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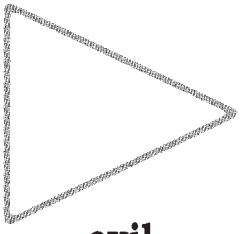

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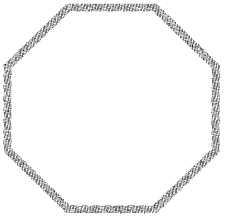

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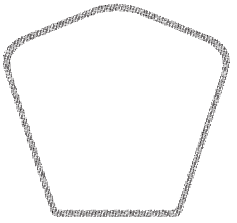

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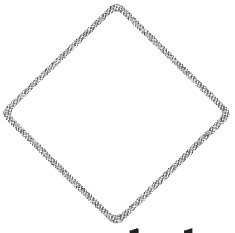
true



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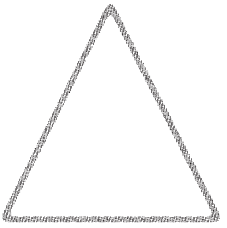

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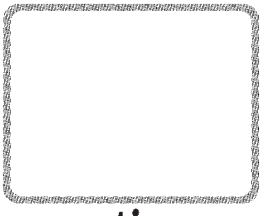

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HELP BOX

country	commanded	walked	fake	travel	real	spoke	wicked

Using the shapes above, read this story about Elijah and King Ahab.

Elijah was God's prophet in Israel. The ▭ of Israel was worshipping a ⬠ god known as Baal. One day God ◯ to Elijah and ⯃ him to △ to Samaria where the king and queen of Israel were doing ▷ things. Elijah obeyed God and went to the temple of Baal to see the king. He ◇ up to King Ahab and said, "Ahab, the Lord God of Israel has ⯃ me to tell you to stop your ▷ ways and turn to the one ▢ God." Ahab was very angry as he ◇ around the temple. Finally he ◯, "Elijah, I am the ruler of this ▭ and I say the people shall worship Baal." "Then," Elijah replied, "as the Lord God of Israel lives, there will be no rain upon the land." What Elijah said was ▢. For three years, it didn't rain a drop!

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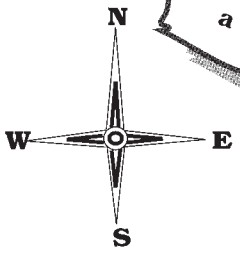
A Map of Elijah's JOURNEYS

RAVEN RATING

Using the mileage chart as a guide, figure out approximately how many miles Elijah traveled during each of the following journeys featured in the video. Remember, Elijah didn't have a car. He didn't even have a camel. Every journey was on foot!



Draw the following with your ruler:

I Kings 17:1	a red line from Gilead to Samaria.	_____miles
I Kings 17:3	a blue line from Samaria to Cherith.	_____miles
I Kings 17:9	a green line from Cherith to Zarephath.	_____miles
I Kings 18:2	a red line from Zarephath to Samaria.	_____miles
I Kings 18:19	a brown line from Samaria to Mt. Carmel.	_____miles

MILEAGE CHART

0 5 10 20 30 40

Zarephath

Mt. Carmel

Gilead

Samaria

ISRAEL

The Great Sea

Brook Cherith

JUDAH

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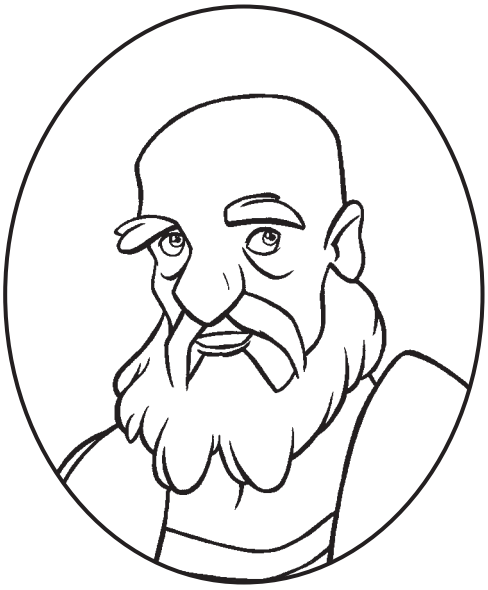

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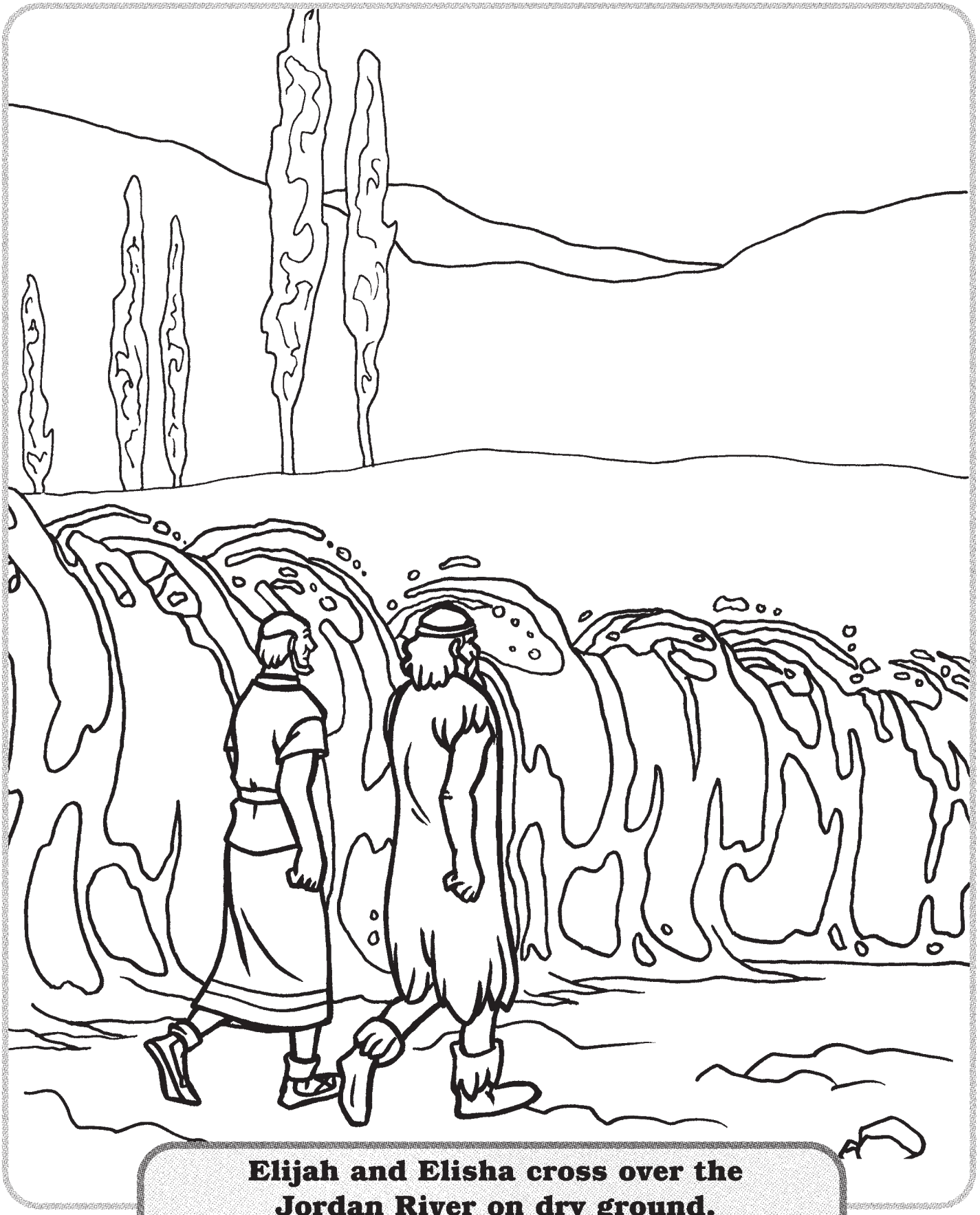

Elijah and Elisha cross over the Jordan River on dry ground.

2 Kings 2:8

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BIBLE MYSTERY MESSAGE

F•I•R•E RATING

God sent something to take Elijah up to heaven. Follow the two steps below to decode the message and discover what it was.

Step One: Each picture below is something or someone from the "Elisha" story. Match the word in the Word Box with each picture and write the word in the blanks below it.

Word Box

Servant	Fields	Elisha	Widow	Elijah	Child

_ _ _ _ _ _
1 2

_ _ _ _ _
3

_ _ _ _ _ _ _
4 5

_ _ _ _ _
6

_ _ _ _ _ _
7 8

_ _ _ _ _ _
9

Step Two: Write the numbered letters in their correct blanks below to decode the mystery message.

God took Elijah up to heaven in a ...

3	2	9	4	1	6	5		6	7		7	1	4	8

Think about this: Did Elijah ever die? Read about this heavenly adventure in II Kings 2:11!

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F•I•R•E RATING

NUMBER LOOPS

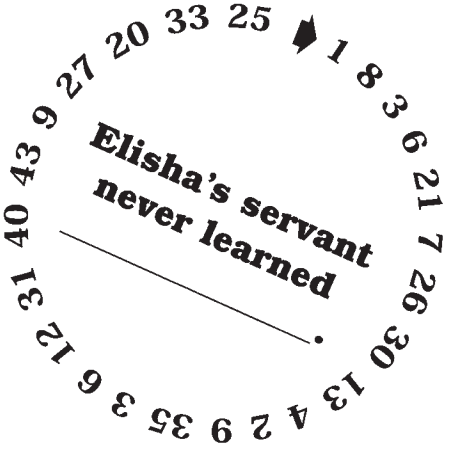
Solve the puzzles below to learn some interesting things about Elisha's servant.

Around each sentence is a number loop. Read the clue and cross off the numbers it tells you. Then start at the arrow and move clockwise around the loop. Match the remaining numbers with their correct letter from the code box. These letters will spell the word that completes the sentence. Write the word in the blank.

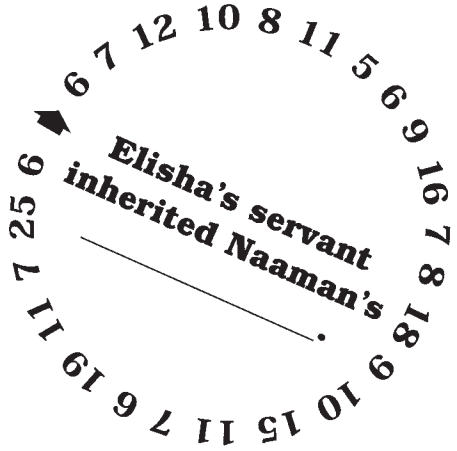
CODE BOX

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

1 CLUE: Cross off all numbers between 9 and 25.



2 CLUE: Cross off all numbers before 8 and after 25.



3 CLUE: Cross off all numbers between 5 and 12.

4 CLUE: Cross off all numbers between 9 and 18.

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F·I·R·E RATING

THE LETTER SOLUTION

A widow came to Elisha for help. Her sons were about to be sold as slaves. To learn why, follow the steps below.

Step One: The math problems below have letters instead of numbers. Match the letters with the numbers from the Code Box to solve each math problem. Then write the letter that matches its numbered answer in the box below the problem. The first one has been done for you.

CODE BOX

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

① N = 14
+ B = 2
P = 16

② G = ___
+ A = ___
[ ] = ___

③ E = ___
- A = ___
[ ] = ___

④ J = ___
+ J = ___
[ ] = ___

⑤ G = ___
- F = ___
[ ] = ___

⑥ J = ___
+ O = ___
[ ] = ___

⑦ K = ___
- F = ___
[ ] = ___

⑧ L = ___
+ F = ___
[ ] = ___

⑨ E = ___
- C = ___
[ ] = ___

⑩ M = ___
- H = ___
[ ] = ___

Step Two: Write the letters from the boxes above on these blanks.

___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

Step Three: Unscramble the letters to form three words that tell why the widow's sons were to be sold as slaves. Write the letters in order in the blanks below.

The widow could not ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___.

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