

God creates the world

Genesis chapters 1 and 2





In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

God spoke into the darkness saying, “Let there be light,” and because God said it, it happened.

God separated the dark from the light and said “Let the dark be called night, and let the light be called day.”

It was night and day and that was the first day.



God looked around and He created the waters. God said, “Let Us separate the waters.”

God created a great expanse that He used to separate the waters below and the waters above. God called this expanse “sky.”

And then there was night and it was morning, and that was the second day.



God looked around and said, “Let Us gather the water all into one place.”

And as God spoke it happened. The waters gathered into one place and dry land appeared.

God looked around and liked what He saw, “This is good,” said God.

God said, “The land needs to start growing. Let there be flowers, and plants, and trees, and shrubs.”

The grass started to grow, and the flowers sprouted out of the land. Trees were suddenly there.

God looked at all of this and said it was good. It was night and it was morning, and that was the third day.

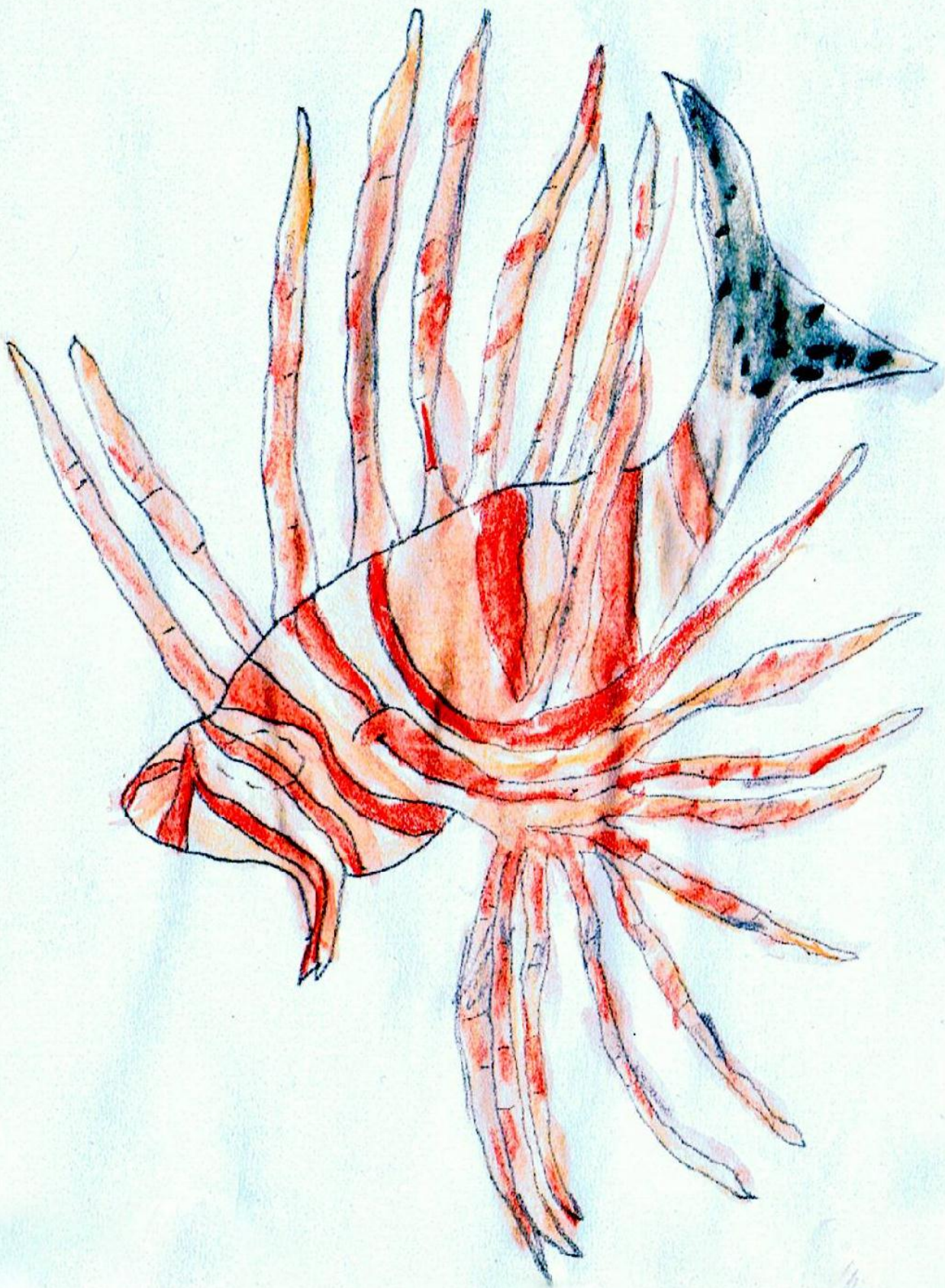


God looked around and thought, “This place needs some lights.” So he said, “Let Us put some lights in the sky. We need the sun to light the day and to make the plants grow. We need the moon and the stars for people to know what days are special and to know the days and years. The stars can guide people as they travel. All this will separate light from darkness.”

As he spoke stars hurtled into the sky into their places, and it was beautiful to behold.

God looked at all He had made that day and said, “This is good.”

There was night and it was morning, the fourth day.



God looked at the oceans and there was nothing there, He looked into the sky and nothing flew. “Now, let there be birds to fly in the sky and insects to fly. Let there be fish to cover the seas and to swim through the waters.”

As God spoke a falcon appeared in the sky flying, and a sea gull hovered over the oceans.

A lion fish appeared in the ocean looking around at the jelly fish and the octopus that appeared.

God looked around at the beautiful fish and the wonders of the air. “This is good,” said God. He looked down at His creation and marveled at what He had made.

There was night and then it was morning, and that was the fifth day.



Day six God looked around and decided it was time for the land to have something on it. “Let us make animals of all sorts. Let there be lions to run and roar. Let there be rabbits to leap about. I want to see cats climb the trees.”

As God described the many wondrous animals each one appeared. The giraffe came bounding forth and walked over to a tree to eat its leaves. The ocelot found a tree and climbed up, hiding in its branches.

Finally God made His final creation. He made man, but man was made differently because man was created in God’s image. Man wouldn’t just be another animal, man was going to be God’s most special creation.

So God reached down into the dirt and started to mold man, and shaped man to look like him. Then when God was done He breathed air into the man



Then God looked at Adam and said, “This is not good. He needs someone to help him.”

So, God gave Adam a job, “You are to name every animal created.” As Adam named all of the animals he realized that all of the other animals had a mate, but he did not and he was sad.



When Adam had realized this God made him fall into a deep sleep. While Adam was sleeping God took a rib from him and created woman.

As soon as Adam woke up he saw HER, and knew this was the one for him! “You are called woman because you came from man. God made you for me!”

God looked at all of His creation and all He had made and said, “It is VERY good.”

And God gave Adam and Eve a job, “You are to take care of the garden.”

Finally on the seventh day God rested and He blessed the seventh day and made it holy.

Questions

Younger Kids

1. What order did God create everything in? Why do you think He created everything that way?
2. How do you know that God loves the things He made?
3. What job does God give to Adam? What jobs do your parents give you?

Middle Kids

1. What does God say at the end of each day? Read Genesis 1:4, 8, 12, 18, 21, and 31.
2. What do you think the waters above are? Genesis 1:6-8
3. What is special about man? Read Genesis 2:7.
4. Read Genesis 2:15-17. What job did God give man? What was man not supposed to do?

Older Guys

1. What do you think the waters above are? Read Genesis 1:6-8.
2. Read Genesis 2:10-14. Where is the Garden of Eden located?
3. Read Genesis 2:15-22. Write down everything you notice about the creation of Eve. What does this tell you about how God views her, and how she should be treated?

Activities

1. Make a creation book.
2. Help take care of God's creation, go out to a park and pick up trash.
3. Try to create a man out of play dough. Is it easy?
4. Look at the pictures of different items God created, sort them into what day they were made on.

Online

1. Watch Indescribable:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ewKtSKbWZUI>

2. A one page creation book from Almost Unschoolers:

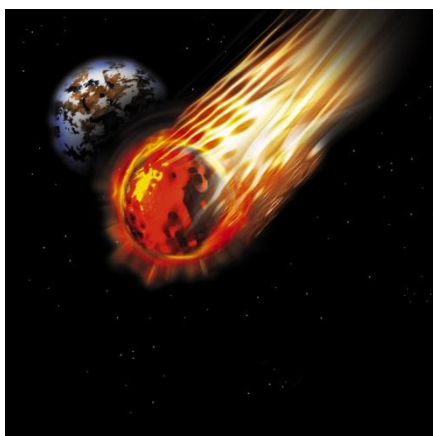
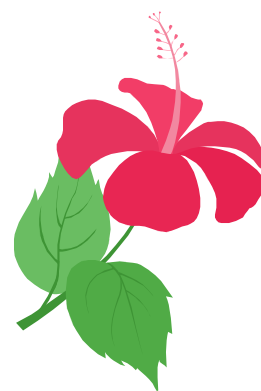
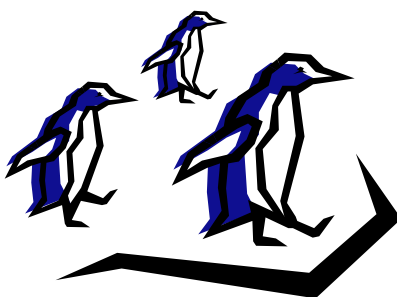
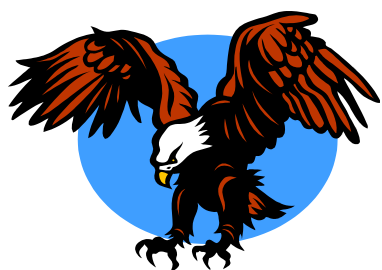
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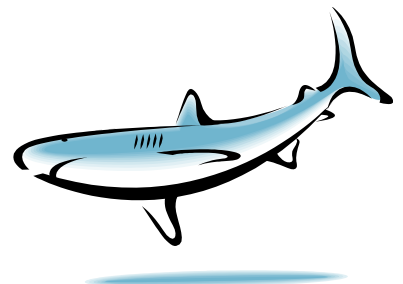
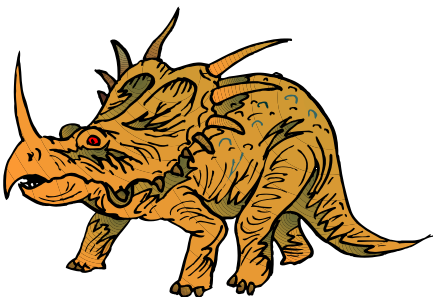
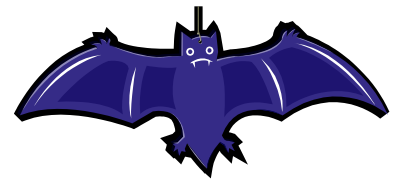
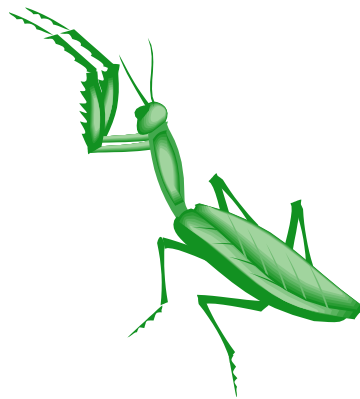
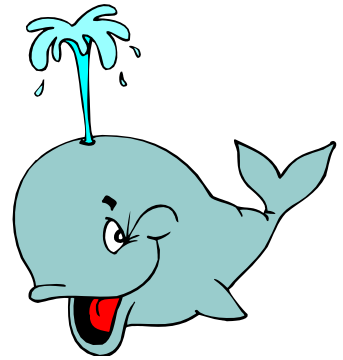
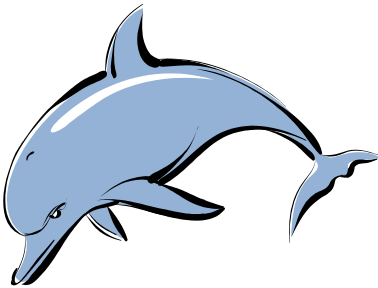
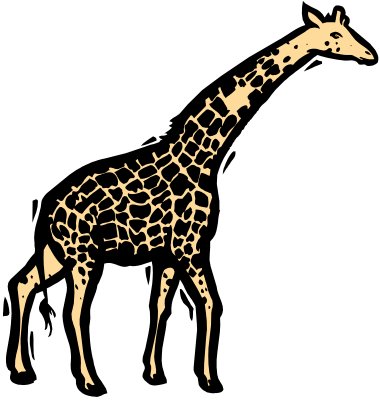
3. All Join Net series on Five Senses and how God made them:

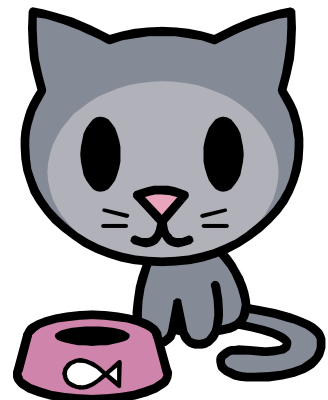
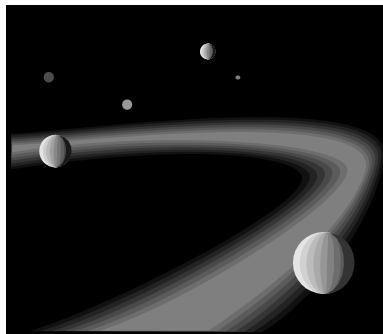
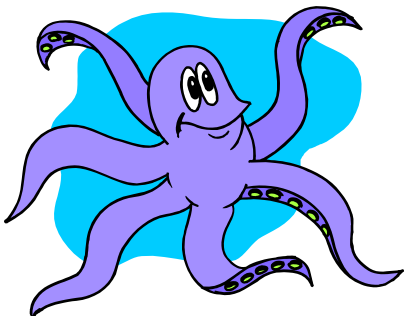
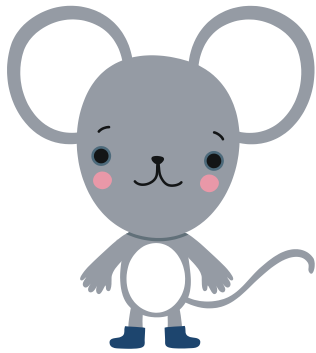
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4. Creation story telling-

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