CREATIVITY

Imagining what you could do because you're made in God's image.

READ GENESIS 1:1-8

Before broccoli or rainbows or rocky mountains or anything—there was God. Out of all that nothingness, God decided to get busy CREATING. So let's start at the very beginning.

On day one, God made light and dark. He called the light "_____" and the dark "______." That means that morning and evening were God's idea. And it was good.

On day two, God made sky and water. All those miles and miles and miles of endless blue, punctuated by puffy white clouds. It was all part of God's design. And it was good. What a creative God! And that's just the first two days!

Creation Box

To keep track of all this creating, let's make a CREATION BOX. Find a shoebox and cover it with fun paper and title it with a creative name. This week, you'll need to fill your box with items that represent the days of creation. For day one, you might put in a small flashlight or glow stick. For day two, you could put in a cotton ball (like the clouds) or a blue piece of paper to represent the sky. Use that creativity of yours to fill your box this week.

THANK God for creating everything—especially day, night, sky, and water.

READ GENESIS 1:9-19

On day three, God made land, plants, and sea. Majestic mountains, vast oceans, giant sequoias and tiny grains of sand, all created with care. Seeds, tiny plants and trees, rivers, lakes and oceans and land! But God wasn't finished.

On day four, God created two great lights to give light to Earth! You can probably already name them. God created the sun, a light so great and hot you cannot even get near it. The sun's surface is roughly 10,340 degrees Fahrenheit! He placed the sun in the sky to rule the day, and the small light, the moon, to rule the night. This was God's way of signaling morning and evening. Oh yeah, and God also threw in about a trillion stars.

Grab your creation box from yesterday. There are LOTS of options for day three. You might collect a small amount of dirt in a plastic zip-top bag, or a seed or a leaf. For day four, you could put in a pair of sunglasses or draw and cut out a star. Get creative as you fill your creation box!

ASK God to help you appreciate His amazing creation all around you!

DAY 2





DAY 1

CREATIVITY

Imagining what you could do because you're made in God's image.

READ GENESIS 1:20-23

Have you ever been to an aquarium or a pet shop with fish? Ever peered into the tank and tried to identify a few of those amazing creatures? God made them all—dolphins and belugas, shrimp and octopi, jellyfish and barracuda. All those amazingly creative water dwellers showed up on day five. But God wasn't finished!

Have you ever watched the birds from your window as they tweet out a tune or gather sticks to build a nest? That's right, on the same day God created all the fish of the sea; He also created the birds of the air. What an amazing amount of creativity God displayed on this day!

Grab your creation box to add things that represent day five. You might choose a feather or a plastic fish or a drawing of your favorite bird. Whatever you choose, try to find at least two items that represent both fish and birds.

LOOK for ways to thank God for all that He created so many thousands of years ago.

READ GENESIS 1:24-30

If you think the first five days were amazing, and they were AH-MAZING, guess what God made on day six? Animals: dogs and cats, giraffes and ferrets, polar bears and anteaters! They all showed up on day six. But God wasn't done.

God wanted someone more like Himself, someone different from the fish or birds or animals. So God made man in His own image and put man over all the rest of His creation. That means that we are more like God than any other created thing.

Creativity is imagining what you could do because you're made in the image of God. God is creative and He made YOU to be like Him, which means YOU are creative. You have the ability to use the mind He gave you to do something NEW, something different, something CREATIVE. How awesome is that?

Grab your creation box and add two items to represent day six. You might choose your dog's favorite treat to represent animals or a picture of yourself to represent people. Once you're done, find an adult and show them all the things you've collected this week.

KNOW that God made you in His image and He loves you very much.

God made EVERYTHING.



Week 1 2ND-3RD grade

DAY 3

DAY 4