

BIBLE STORY SHEET

Wk 1 - Bible Story Sheet

READ the Bible story below, allowing kids to fill in their **Detective Notes Sheets** as directed.

We're solving a mystery and using the Bible to answer some of the questions we have about God. As we read the story, we'll collect clues, so listen carefully!

Before time began, there was nothing—not even the sun and the moon were around. It was a big bunch of emptiness, but God was there. He wanted to fill up the emptiness, and when God wants to do something, all He has to do is speak and it happens! God decided it was time to make the whole world and everything in it! This is our first clue! (POINT to first magnifying glass on a child's Detective Notes Sheet) In your first magnifying glass, draw a picture of the world.

On the first day God said, "Let there be light!" And then light appeared! God called the light, "day" and the darkness, "night." Over the next several days, God continued to create the world. He created the bright, blue sky, the big oceans, and all the land. God also created the sun that helps everything grow, a moon in the night sky and all of the stars in space. On the fifth day, God created animals! (POINT to second magnifying glass on a child's Detective Notes Sheet) For our second clue, draw your favorite animal in the next magnifying glass.

God wanted someone to enjoy all that He had made, so God created someone that He was going to love more than the rest of His creation! Anyone want to guess what God made next? (ALLOW responses) Those are all great guesses! On that day, God created people! He said, "Let Us make man to reflect Our own image!" So God created a man named Adam and a woman named Eve. Then He told them to have a family and to take care of every living thing on the earth! (POINT to third magnifying glass on a child's Detective Notes Sheet) For our last clue, draw faces on the people in the final magnifying glass.

When God finished creating the world and everything in it, He thought that it was good. Then, on the seventh day, He rested! Now, look at your three clues. Would it be possible for you to make any of these things? (ALLOW responses) When we put all of these clues together, we can see that God is real, because He makes things that are impossible for people to make! We might not be able to see God, but we can see all the wonderful things He has created and know that He is real! And that's the solution to our mystery!

Great job on solving our mystery today, friends! Let's say what we've learned all together:

God Is Real