

CREATION:

THE WORLD AND ME



Anchors



15 – 20 minutes



The World Around Us



Interactive story

WHAT YOU NEED

- Interactive story (see below)
- Pencils
- Crayons
- Colouring pencils
- Colouring pens

In the beginning God created the world...this may be a familiar story to the young people within your BB company. God spent seven days creating the world making it perfect, he also made everyone in it, spending time making them just the way they are meant to be, and he says that we are "fearfully and wonderfully made." This activity is an interactive story that will include actions to encourage participation and listening. Following on from the story, discussions can be held to promote thinking about the world around them and where everything comes from - it can all be linked back to God.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Ask the young people if they know how many days God made the world in, then ask if they can name any of the things God put on the earth during that time.
2. Use the interactive story below and use the actions in italics to tell the story of creation.
3. For a follow up activity, give the young people a blank page and ask them if they could create the world in seven days, what would they make and why?

Interactive Creation Story:

Italics are actions that the young people do.

In the beginning, God created the universe, it was very dark *[Put your hands over your eyes to make it dark]*

But God was there, and He was moving over the water, then He said "Let there be light" *[remove your hands]*

God was pleased with what He saw *[give a big thumbs up]*

He separated the light from the darkness and named the light; day, and the darkness; night *[make a sun using your hands above your head shining down for day and pretend to sleep for night]*

Evening passed and morning came that was the first day *[put one finger up]*

Then God divided the water from the sky *[making waves with your arms]*

He named the dome sky *[Open hands above head in an arch]*

Evening passed and morning came that was the second day *[put two fingers up]*

Then God made the land, and He called it earth *[using your hands, make a circle in front of you to make the earth]* and he named the water sea *[make waves with your hands]*

God was pleased with what He saw *[give a big thumbs up]*

Then He made plants and trees that made fruit *[pick an apple off a tree]*

God was pleased with what He saw *[give a big thumbs up]*

Evening passed and morning came, that was the third day *[put up three fingers]*

Then God made lights appear in the sky, one was the sun, and one was the moon. Then He made the stars *[use hands and open and close them to make stars]*

God was pleased with what He saw *[give a thumbs up]*

Evening passed and morning came, that was the fourth day *[put up four fingers]*

Then God made all types of fish to live in the water *[use hands to make fish swimming in the sea]* and put birds in the sky *[use hands to make birds flying]*

God was pleased with what He saw *[give a thumbs up]*

Evening passed and morning came, that was the fifth day *[put up five fingers]*

God made all the animals big and small *[make an animal noise and do an action for that animal]*

God was pleased with what He saw *[give a thumbs up]*

Then God made human beings [point to yourself], and they would oversee the earth and all the animals. He made them male and female, He blessed them and was VERY pleased with what He made *[give two big thumbs up]*

Evening passed and morning came, that was the sixth day *[put up six fingers]*

Then God looked at everything He made, and he was pleased *[give a thumbs up]*

Then on the seventh day, God rested after all his hard work *[Go to sleep]*

