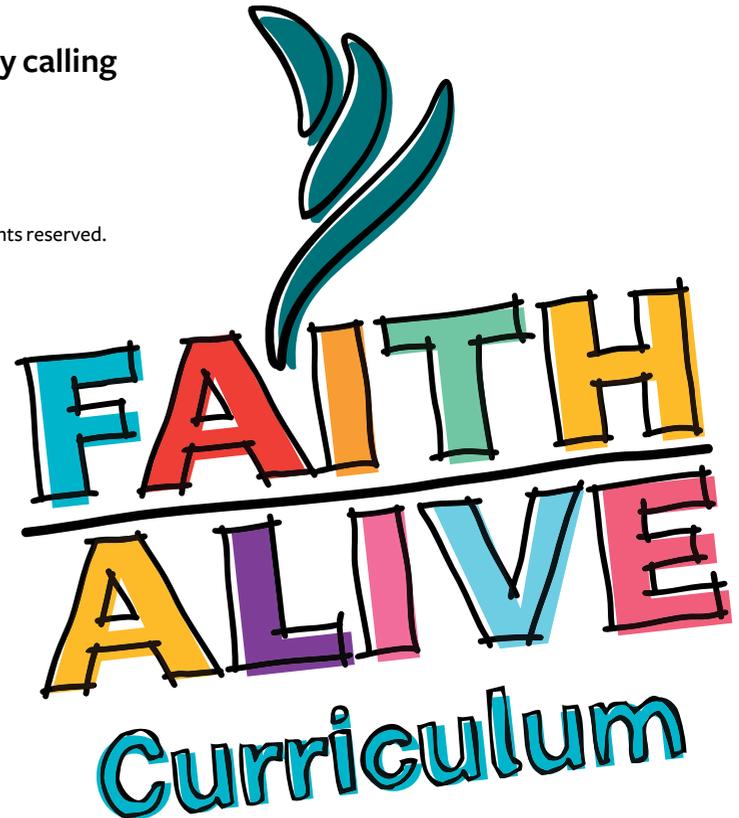


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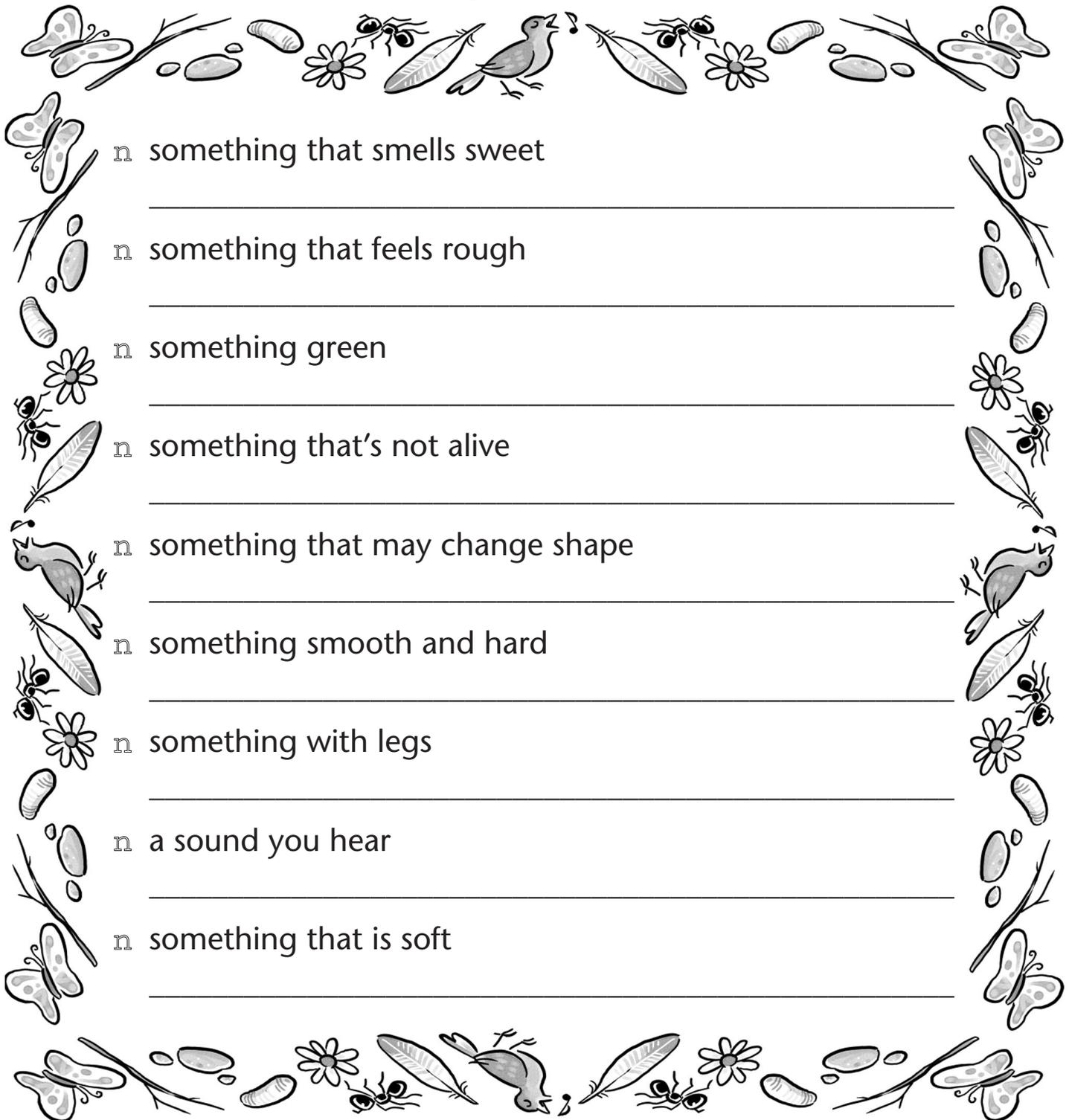
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# Creation Treasure Hunt

See how many of these things you can find! If you can take the item with you, put it in your bag. If you can't take it with you, describe the item on this page.



n something that smells sweet

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n something that feels rough

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n something green

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n something that's not alive

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n something that may change shape

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n something smooth and hard

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n something with legs

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n a sound you hear

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n something that is soft

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# Question Cards

1. How did God make Adam?

4. Could Adam eat anything he wanted?

2. Where did Adam live?

5. Did God make Eve in the same way as Adam?

3. Did Adam do any work?

6. What was life like for Adam and Eve?

# Genesis 3:1-13

## New International Reader's Version

<sup>1</sup>The serpent was more clever than any of the wild animals that the LORD God had made. The serpent said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat the fruit of any tree that is in the garden?'"

<sup>2</sup>The woman said to the serpent, "We can eat the fruit of the trees that are in the garden. <sup>3</sup>But God did say, 'You must not eat the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden. Do not even touch it. If you do, you will die.'"

**(Pause and encourage children to express feelings.)**

<sup>4</sup>"You can be sure that you won't die," the serpent said to the woman. <sup>5</sup>"God knows that when you eat the fruit of that tree, you will know things you have never known before. You will be able to tell the difference between good and evil. You will be like God!"

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<sup>6</sup>The woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good to eat. It was also pleasing to look at. And it would make a person wise. So she took some of the fruit and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her. And he ate it.

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<sup>7</sup>Then both of them knew things they had never known before. They realized they were naked. So they sewed fig leaves together and made clothes for themselves.

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<sup>8</sup>Then the man and his wife heard the LORD God walking in the garden. It was the coolest time of the day. They hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

<sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called out to the man. "Where are you?" he asked.

**(Pause and encourage children to express their feelings.)**

<sup>10</sup>"I heard you in the garden," the man answered. "I was afraid. I was naked, so I hid."

<sup>11</sup>The LORD God said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten the fruit of the tree I commanded you not to eat?"

<sup>12</sup>The man said, "It was the woman you put here with me. She gave me some fruit from the tree. And I ate it."

<sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What have you done?"

**(Pause and encourage the children to express their feelings.)**

The woman said, "The serpent tricked me. That's why I ate the fruit."

**(Pause and encourage children to use signs to express their feelings.)**

# Sign Language Cards

## Scared

Hold both "AND" hands in front of the chest, fingers pointing toward each other; then open both hands and move the right hand toward the left and the left hand toward the right, palms facing self.



## Disappointed

Both middle fingers move down the chest side by side.



## Proud

Place the "A" hand against the chest and move it slowly upward.



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### Sad

Hold both open hands in front of the face, fingers slightly apart and pointing up; then drop both hands a short distance and bend the head slightly.



### Embarrassed

Hands move upward alternately in front of the face (palms in).



### Hope

Touch the forehead with the index finger; then raise the open palms so they face each other, the right hand near the right forehead and the left hand at the left. Both hands bend to a right angle and unbend simultaneously.



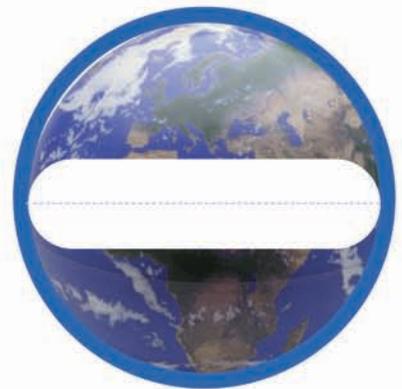
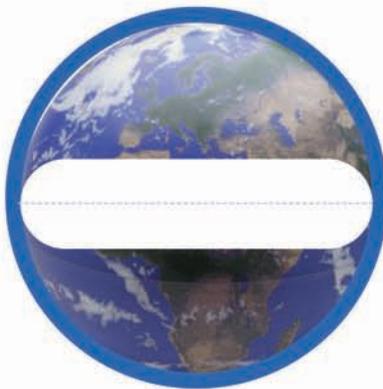
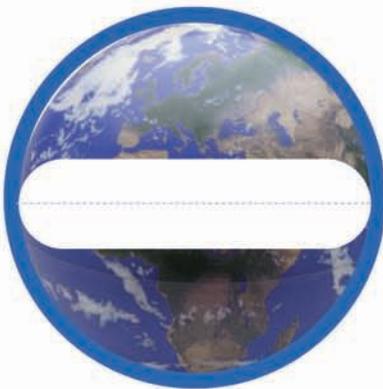
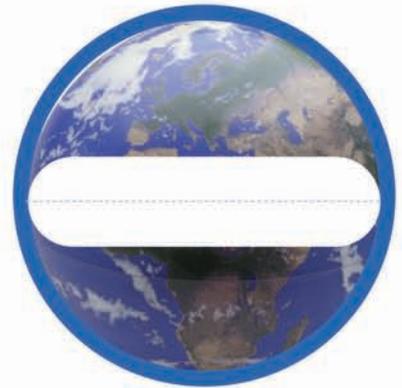
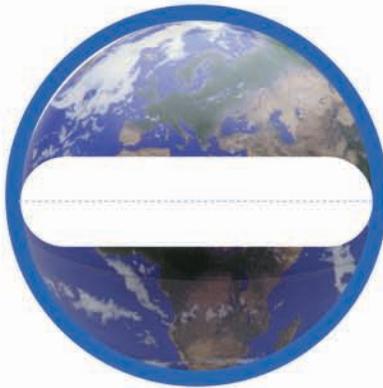
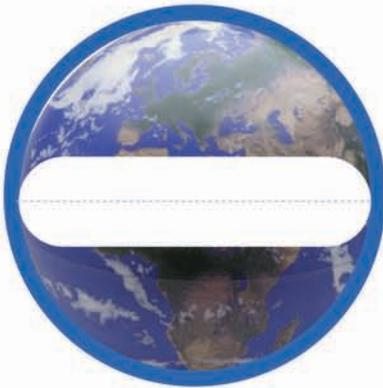
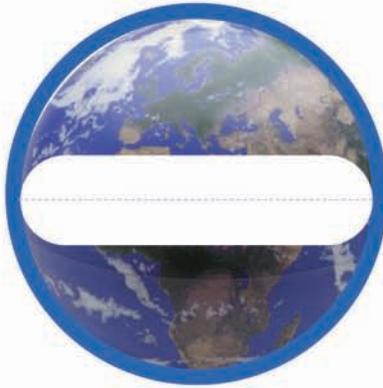
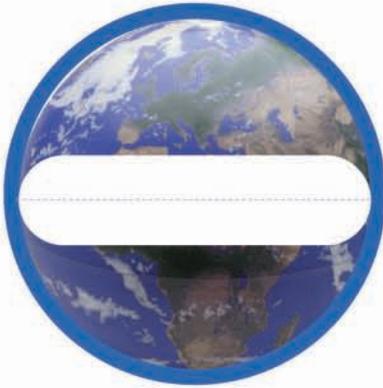
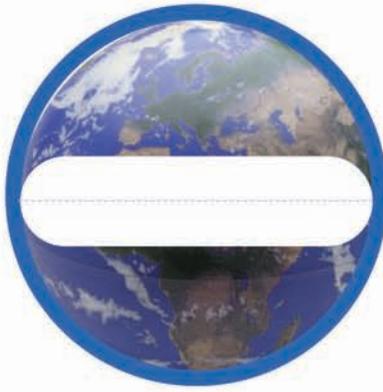
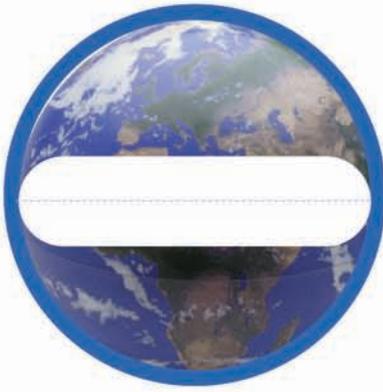
# Creation Parade Game

<p>1. I am an animal that is found in Australia. God gave me a pouch where my baby lives for several months. I spend most of my time in trees and I especially like to eat eucalyptus leaves. Who am I?</p>
<p>2. I am a very large animal with claws. I live in icy, cold parts of the world. God made the color of my coat to match my surroundings. I do a lot of swimming. I eat meat. Who am I?</p>
<p>3. I am a female animal. People know me best for what I give them. You might find my gift on your breakfast table or on your bread. I live in most regions of the world. Who am I?</p>
<p>4. God made me the largest living bird. When I am full-grown, I am usually taller than a man. I do not fly, but I can run like lightning. I can kick really hard too, so don't stand too close! Who am I?</p>
<p>5. God gave me a very unusual body. Instead of fur or hide, I'm covered with a shell of bony plates. I can hide in my shell, but I am not known for living in the water. Think hard, now! Who am I?</p>
<p>6. Most people and animals stay away from me. You see, God gave me a nifty way of protecting myself. When a creature comes too close, I can poke something into its skin that will hurt a lot. And it will be almost impossible to pull it out. Who am I?</p>

## Answer Sheet

	First Choice	Second Choice
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		

# Nametags



# Creation Caretaker Badges

