

# Beshalach

"When he sent"

Exodus 13:17 - 17:16

Katan Aleph



In This Edition:

16.1 - Bye, Bye Mitsrayim

Exodus 14:1 - 15:21



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# Gem Seeking

## LITTLE GEMS STORY

### Parent/Teacher Preparation:

Please see the [Instructions for the Little Gems Story](#) on the YMTOI website. This will help you to understand how to prepare for the story.

### Beshalach – Bye, Bye Mitsrayim

Shalom children! Are you ready to listen to a new adventure? Now that the Yisra'elites are no longer in Mitsrayim, it is their turn to see how much they will trust Yahweh. Let's see if their faith was strengthened by watching His hand do such awesome miracles while protecting them from the plagues.

The Yisra'elites followed the instructions carefully and did all they needed to do to observe the first Passover in history. Early the next morning, Yahweh told them it was time to hit the road. So they gathered their things, such as the unleavened bread and flocks and herds, and started out on their long journey. **(Place Yisra'elites, Mosheh, animal herd and unleavened bread on board.)**

In order that they would be able to know which direction to go, Yahweh created the first GPS. In fact, it was cooler than that. It was a YPS. Get it? Yahweh Positioning System. Okay, maybe not, but just like your parents trust their GPS to give them directions when they are traveling, all the Yisra'elites had to do was trust Yahweh. In the daytime, Yahweh guided them in a pillar of cloud, and at night when it was dark, He guided them in a pillar of fire. **(Place pillar of cloud and sun on board. Place pillar of fire and moon on board.)**

Meanwhile, back at the palace, Pharaoh changed his mind again. **(Place Pharaoh on board.)** He was so furious about losing his son that his fear of being wiped out by Yahweh turned to anger, and he changed his mind about letting them all go. He was determined to wipe the Yisra'elites off the earth.

Now, I am not sure how long they had been traveling, but they kept following the pillars and then Yahweh had them set up camp by the sea. **(Place water and tent on board.)** He knew that Pharaoh's army would catch up to them and think they had won when they saw that the Yisra'elites were trapped and couldn't escape because of the sea. But this was the way Yahweh had chosen to make it known once and for all to the Mitsrites that He was the only Elohim. So the Yisra'elites stopped to camp by the sea.

Meanwhile, Pharaoh had been busy getting his huge army — 600 chariots to be exact — ready to go after the Yisra'elites. **(Remove Pharaoh and place Pharaoh's chariot and Pharaoh's army on board.)** It didn't take them long to catch up to them since they had the chariots and the Yisra'elites were walking. Well, when the Yisra'elites saw Pharaoh's army coming, you'd think they would be like, "No worries, Yahweh will fight for us!" You'd think they would think that, but no, they got scared.



They saw the sea in front of them and Pharaoh's army behind them, and they panicked and started complaining and crying and whining. **(Place scared emoji on board.)** They wished that Mosheh had left them alone, even though they had been miserable as slaves. Oh brother, it looks like their faith wasn't strong enough yet. Mosheh told them to hush and sit tight, because Yahweh would take care of them. He was going to deal with Pharaoh's army, and the Hebrews would never ever see them again.

Yahweh told Mosheh to lift his rod towards the sea and split the sea in half, so that the Yisra'elites would be able to just walk across on dry ground. Pharaoh's army would be fooled into thinking that they could cross also, but that was NOT going to happen. So Mosheh lifted his hands, and an east wind blew all night and made the sea split in two. **(Place east wind behind them and another water piece next to the first one to create a split in the sea.)** In the morning, the Yisra'elites looked, and there was a wall of water on each side, and down the middle was dry land for them to walk on!

The Yisra'elites started walking forward on the path of dry land. It took them a while to get across, but Yahweh moved His pillar of cloud behind them to shield them from Pharaoh's army. **(Move Yisra'elites to the middle of the sea and place pillar of cloud behind the people.)** At night, the pillar of fire would still guide them. Wow, can you imagine the scene? Just think—the same east wind that brought the locusts to eat up all the plants in Mitsrayim is now splitting the sea for the Yisra'elites to go across.

**(Move Yisra'elites, Mosheh and animal herd to the other side of the water. Place Pharaoh's chariot and Pharaoh's army in the middle of the water.)**

Pharaoh's army tried to cross in the morning, but Yahweh was watching. First, He made the wheels on the chariots come off. Pharaoh's army were terrified, because they knew that it was Yahweh who had done this. They tried to turn and run away. But Yahweh told Mosheh to lift up his arms again towards the sea, and the sea closed down on top of Pharaoh's army. **(Close the water pieces on top of Pharaoh's chariot and Pharaoh's army.)** All Pharaoh's army that had chased after the Yisra'elites died that day. At last the Yisra'elites recognized how great Yahweh is, and saw that Mosheh was really His messenger. It certainly took them long enough, don't you think?

After all that happened, Mosheh dedicated a song to Yahweh, praising the wonders of Yahweh. It is such an amazing song that we still sing it today. Children, do you know the song Mi Chamocho? Can you sing it with me? Then Miryam, Mosheh's sister, took out her timbrel **(place Miryam and dancing ladies on board)**, which is like a tambourine, and she led all the other ladies to dance for Yahweh. Man, I bet that was the biggest praise team ever! Can you imagine all those voices singing and all those instruments playing? What a joyful noise to Yahweh!

Well children, we have come to the end of our story for today. We will see you next week for another exciting Little Gems story!





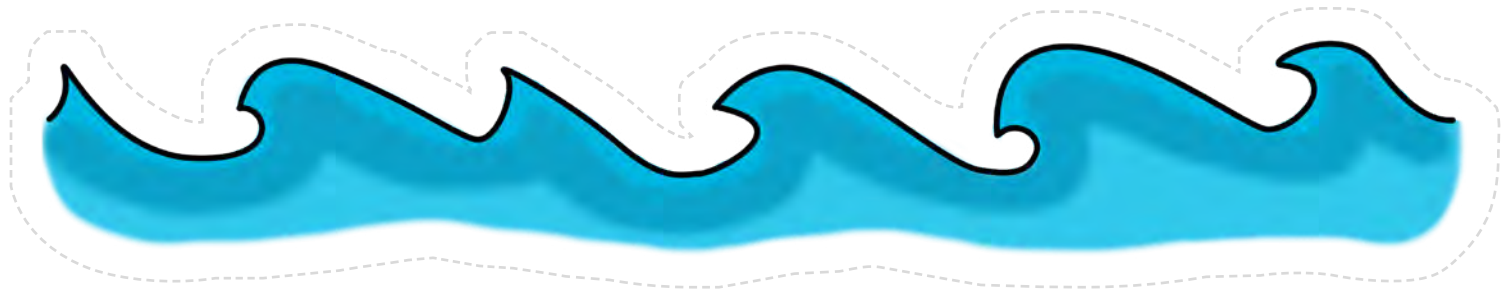
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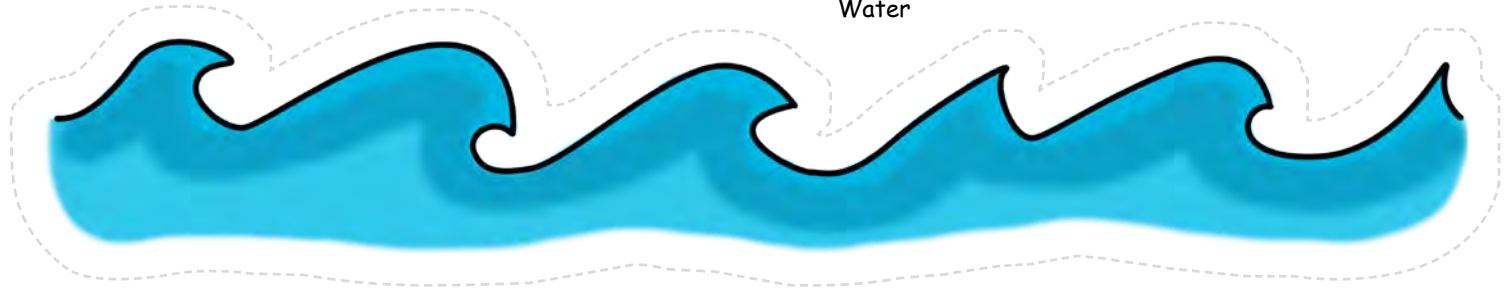


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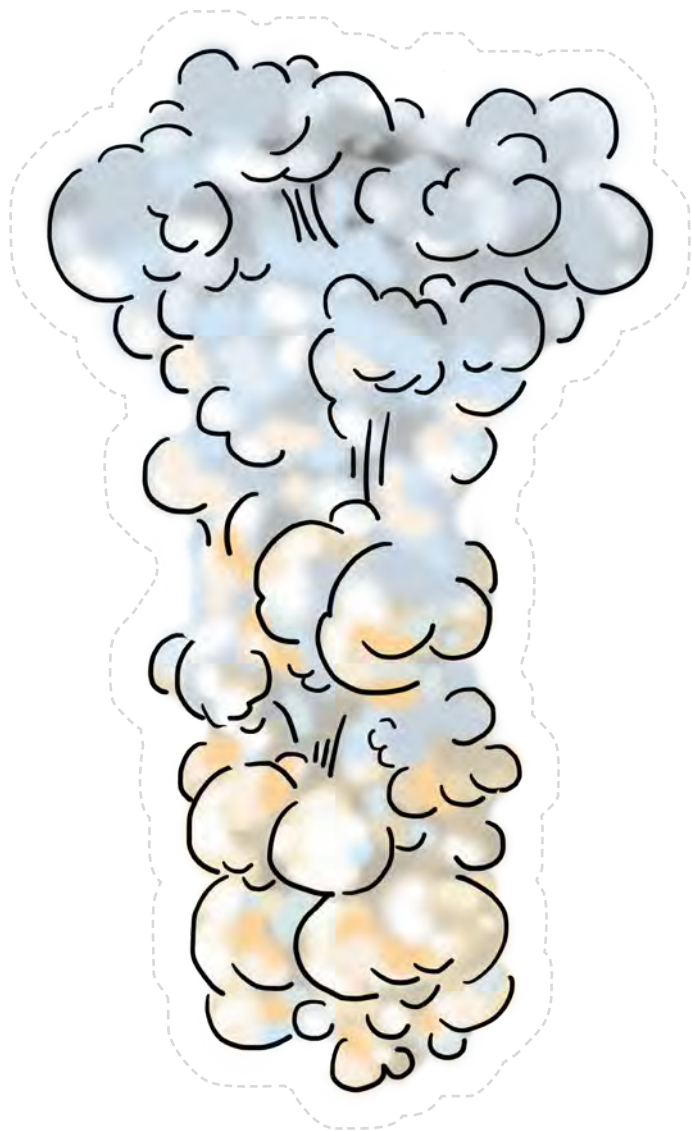




Water



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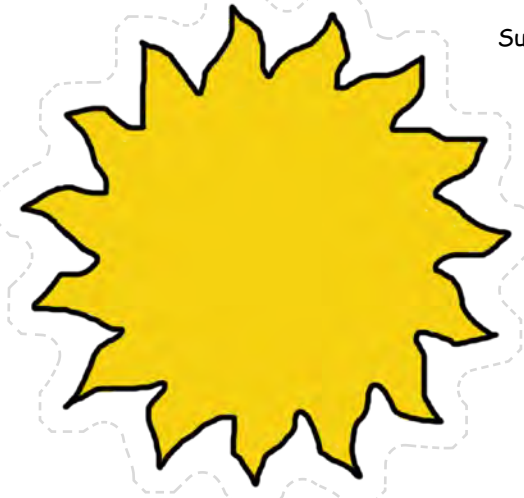


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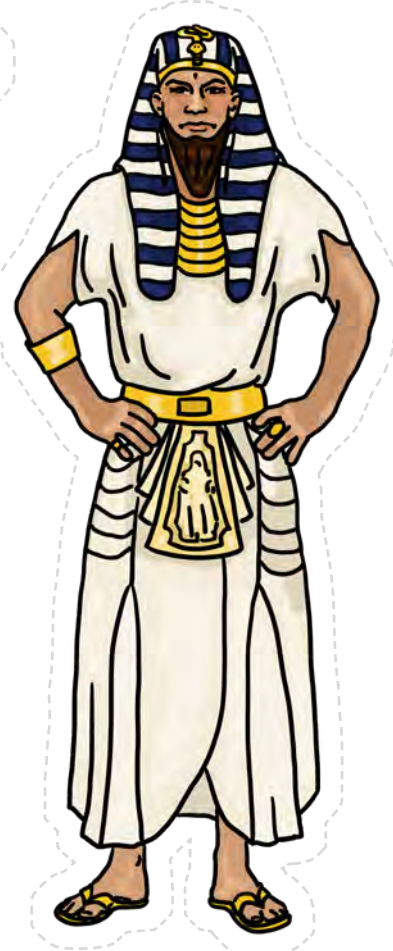
Miryam and dancing ladies



Sun



Unleavened bread

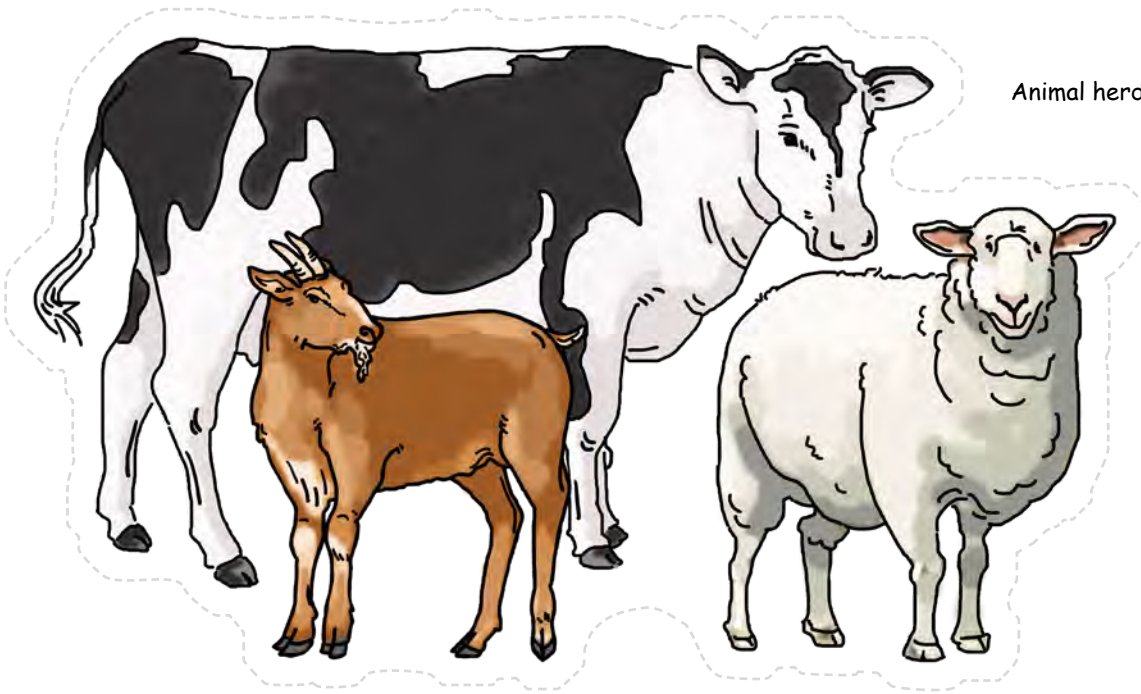


Pharaoh



Mosheh





Animal herd



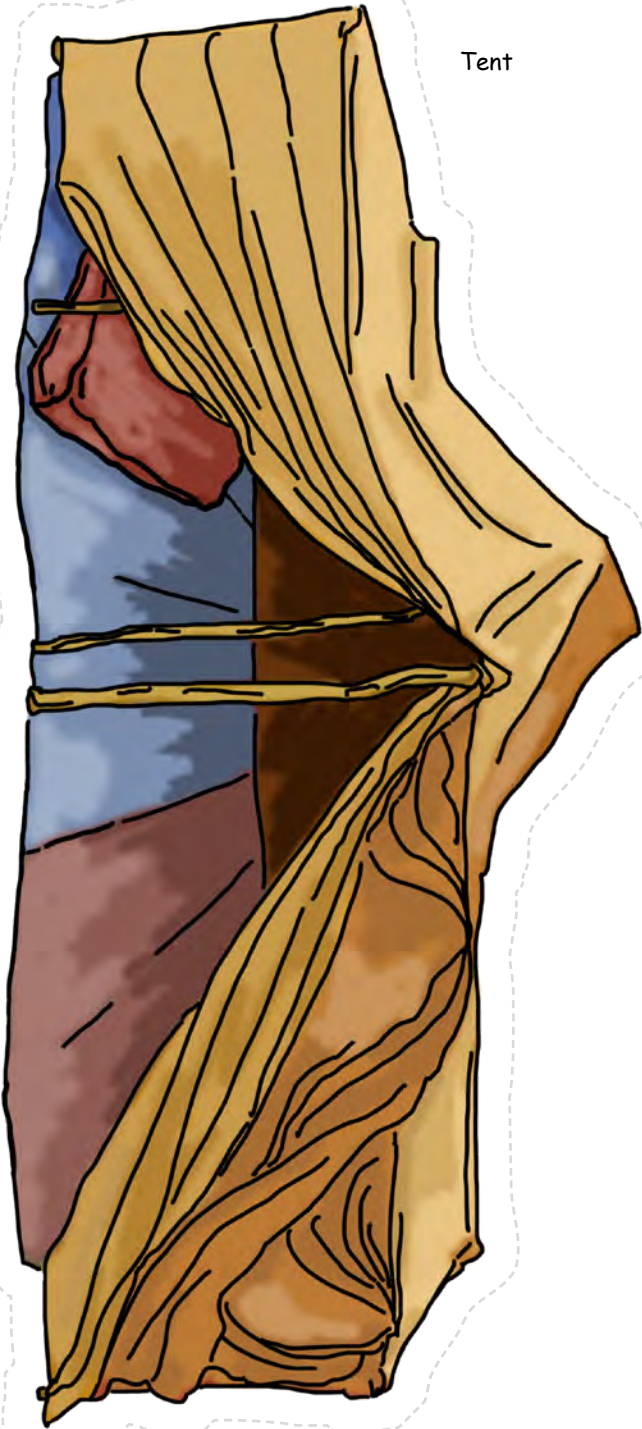
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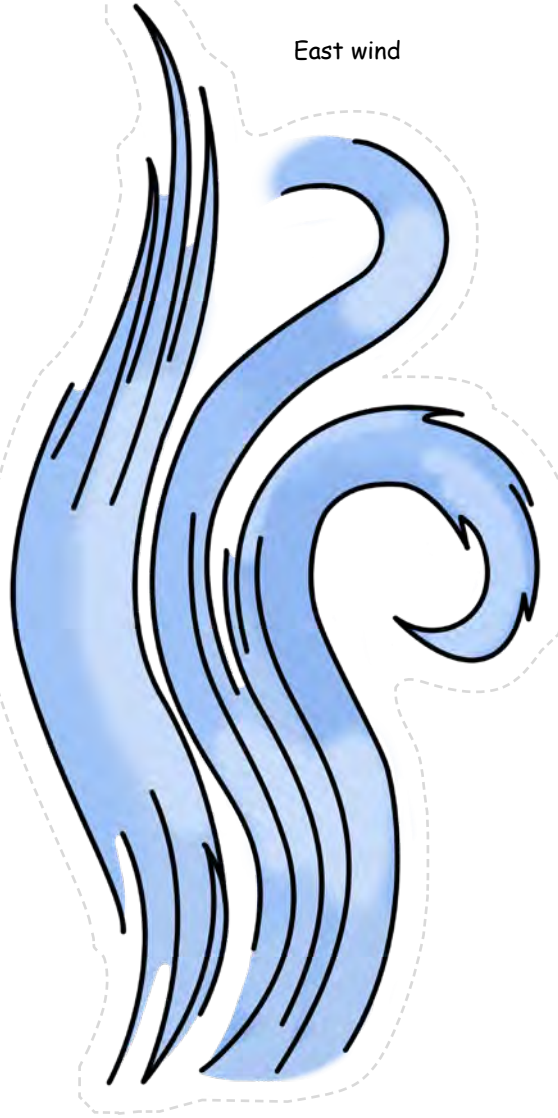
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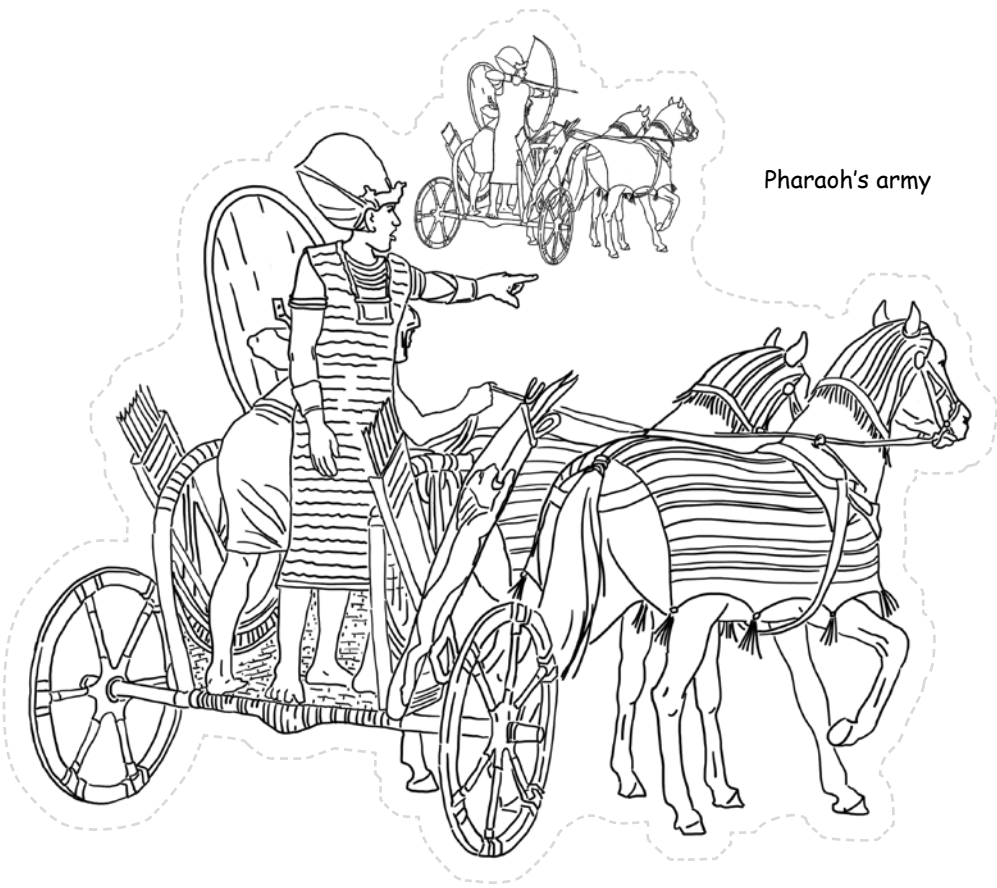


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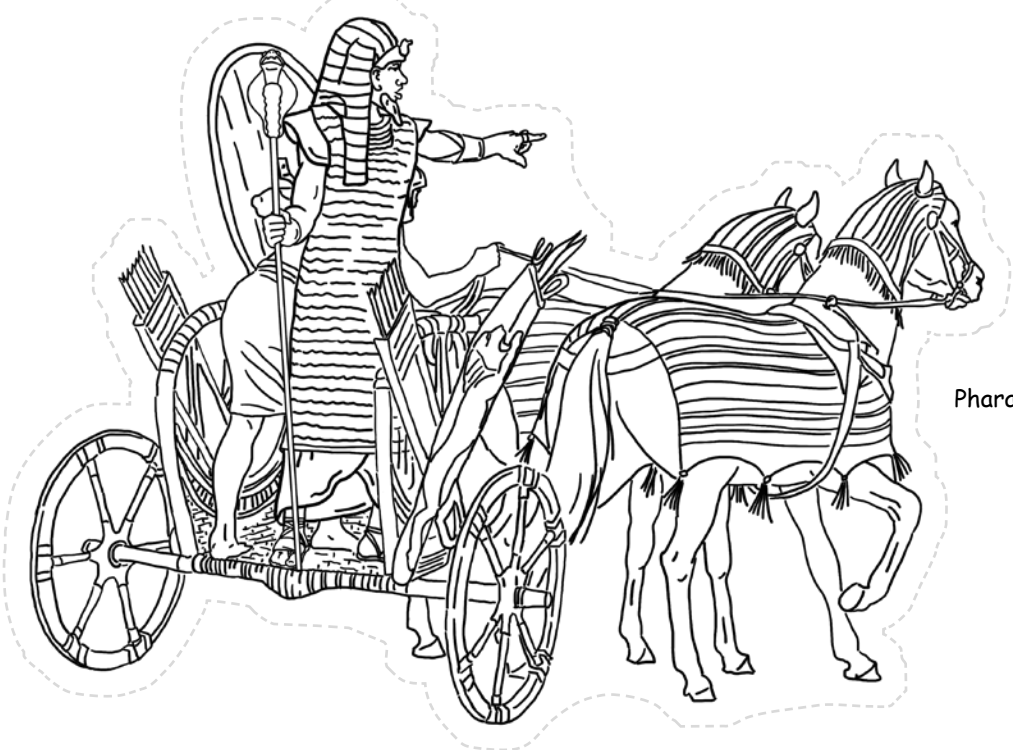
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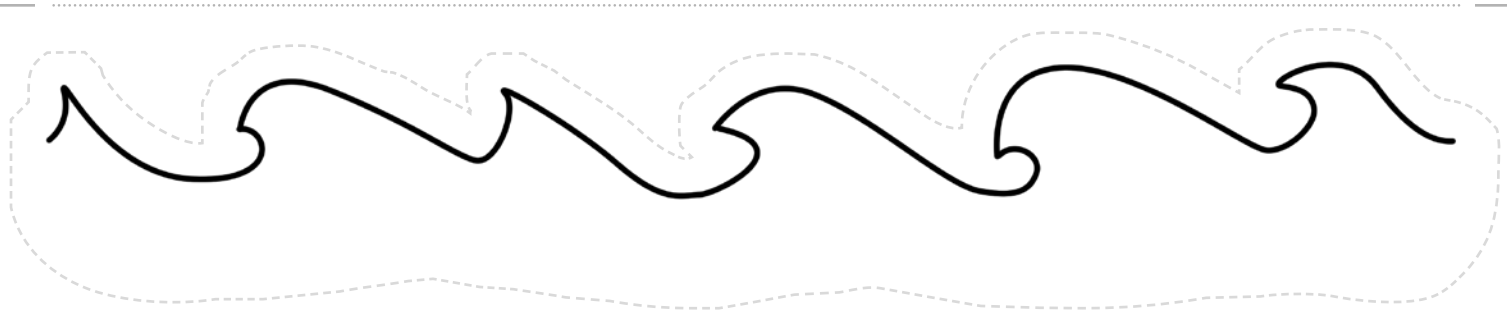
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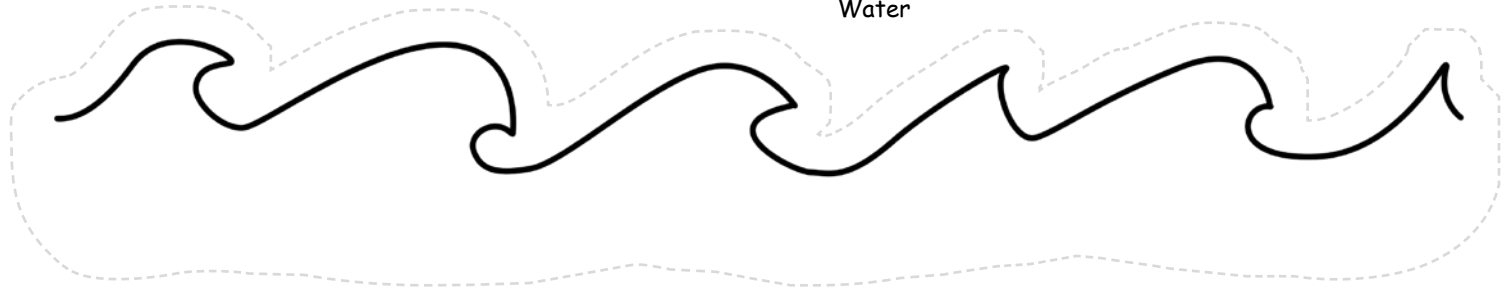


Pharaoh's chariot





Water



Pillar of cloud

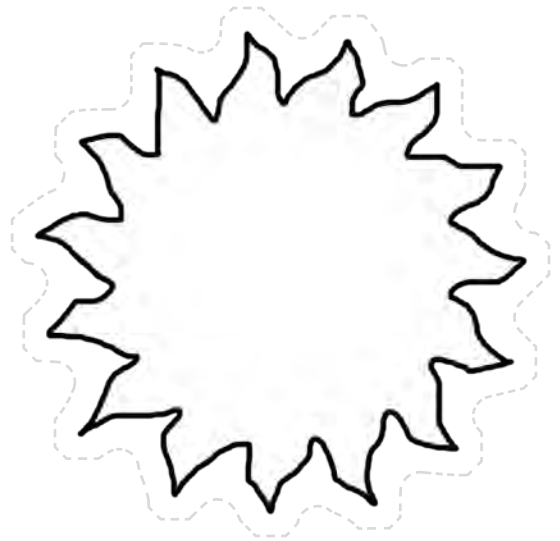


Pillar of fire

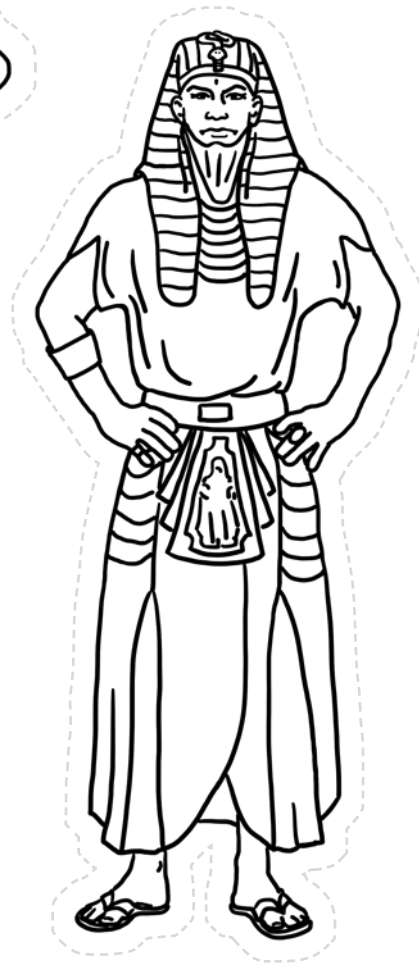




Miryam and dancing ladies



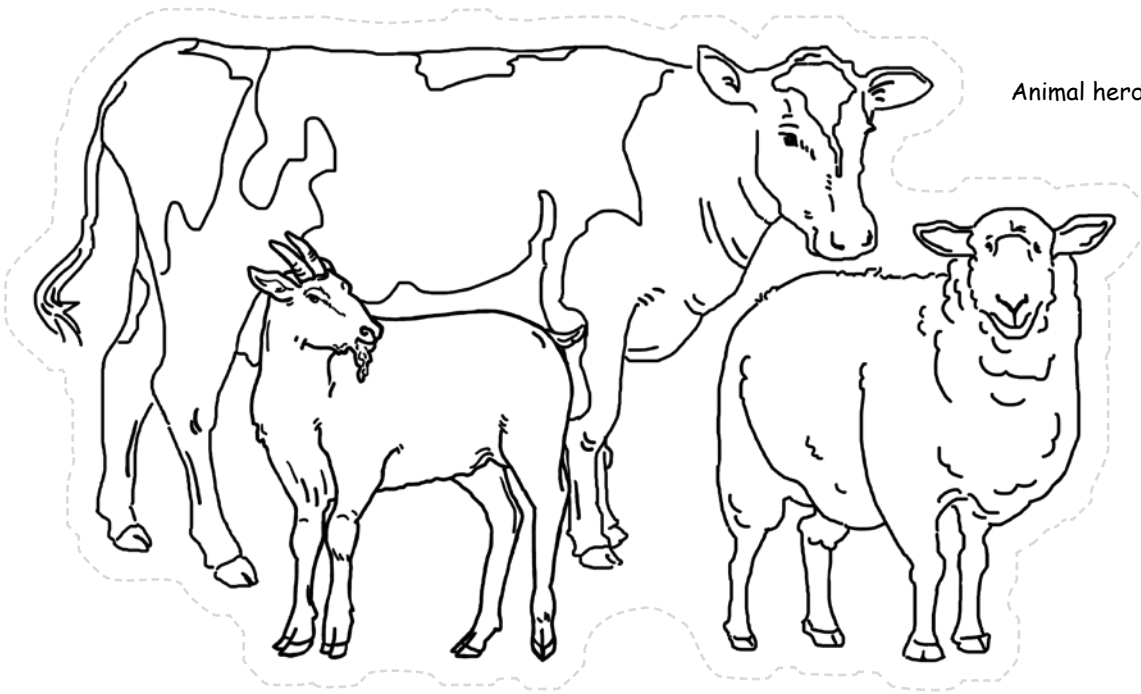
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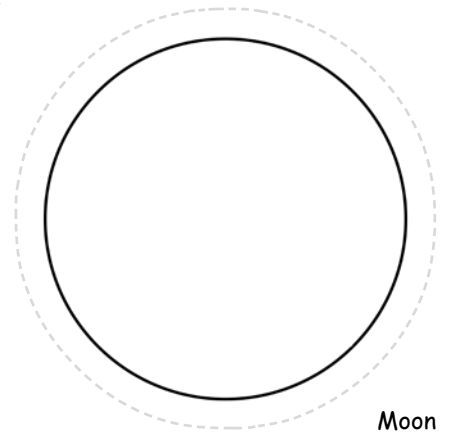
Pharaoh



Mosheh



Animal herd

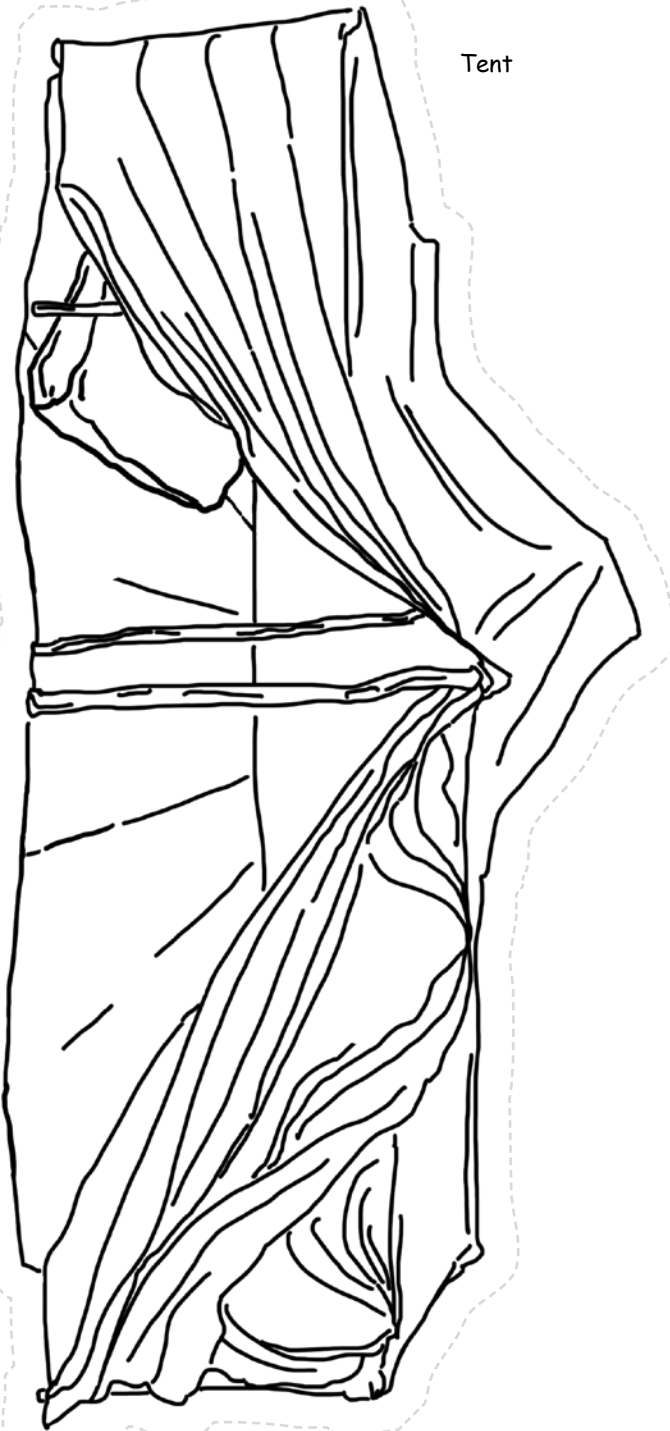


Moon



Yisra'elites

Tent



East wind

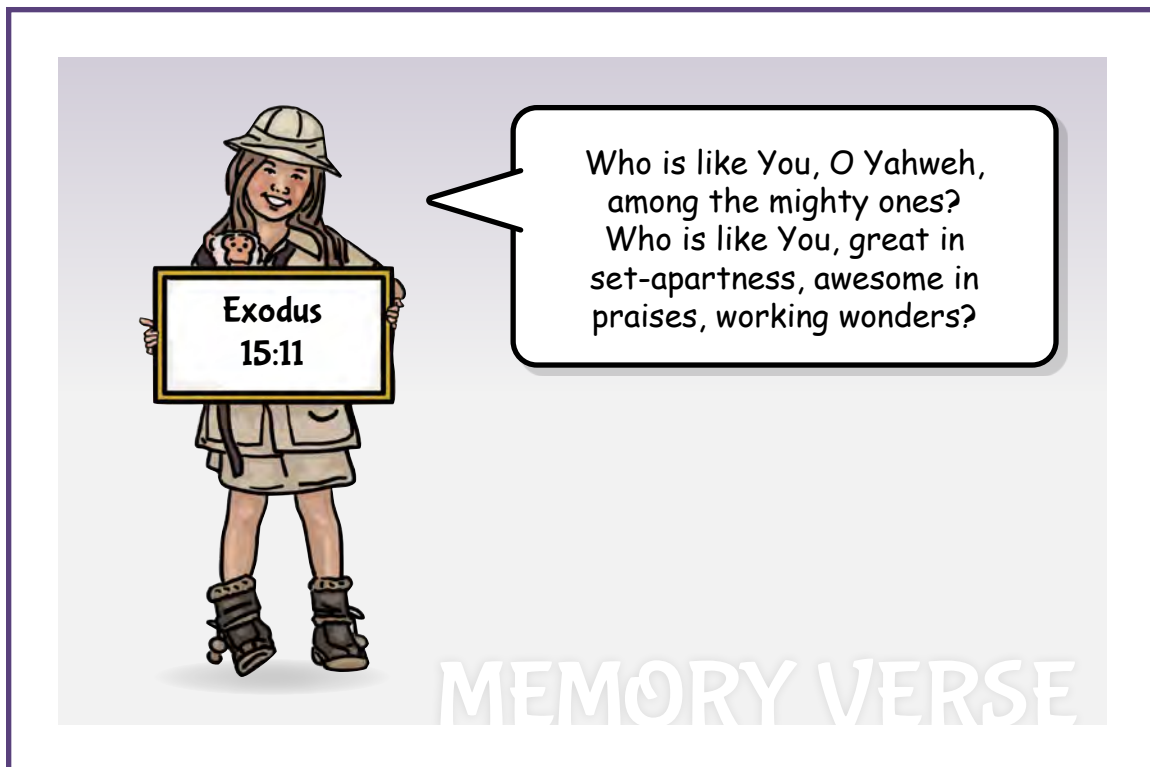


# Counting What You Gained

This next section is intended to be reinforcement of the lessons learned during this parsha. Choose the activities that best fit your child.

## STORING UP TREASURE IN MY HEART

The Katan Aleph memory verse for this Torah portion is Exodus 15:11. If they have not already done so, begin to help them to memorize the verse. Be creative and try acting it out, or putting it to music.



Who is like You, O Yahweh,  
among the mighty ones?  
Who is like You, great in  
set-apartness, awesome in  
praises, working wonders?

MEMORY VERSE

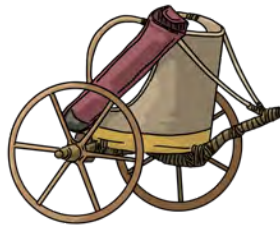




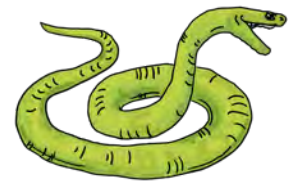
# SEEKING TREASURE

Circle the correct choices.

1. What did Pharaoh make ready to go after the Yisra'elites? (14:7)



2. What did Mosheh stretch out over the waters to divide them? (14:16)



3. What did Yahweh bring to part the sea? (14:21)



East wind



West wind

4. What did Yahweh provide for the Yisra'elites to lead them? (14:24)

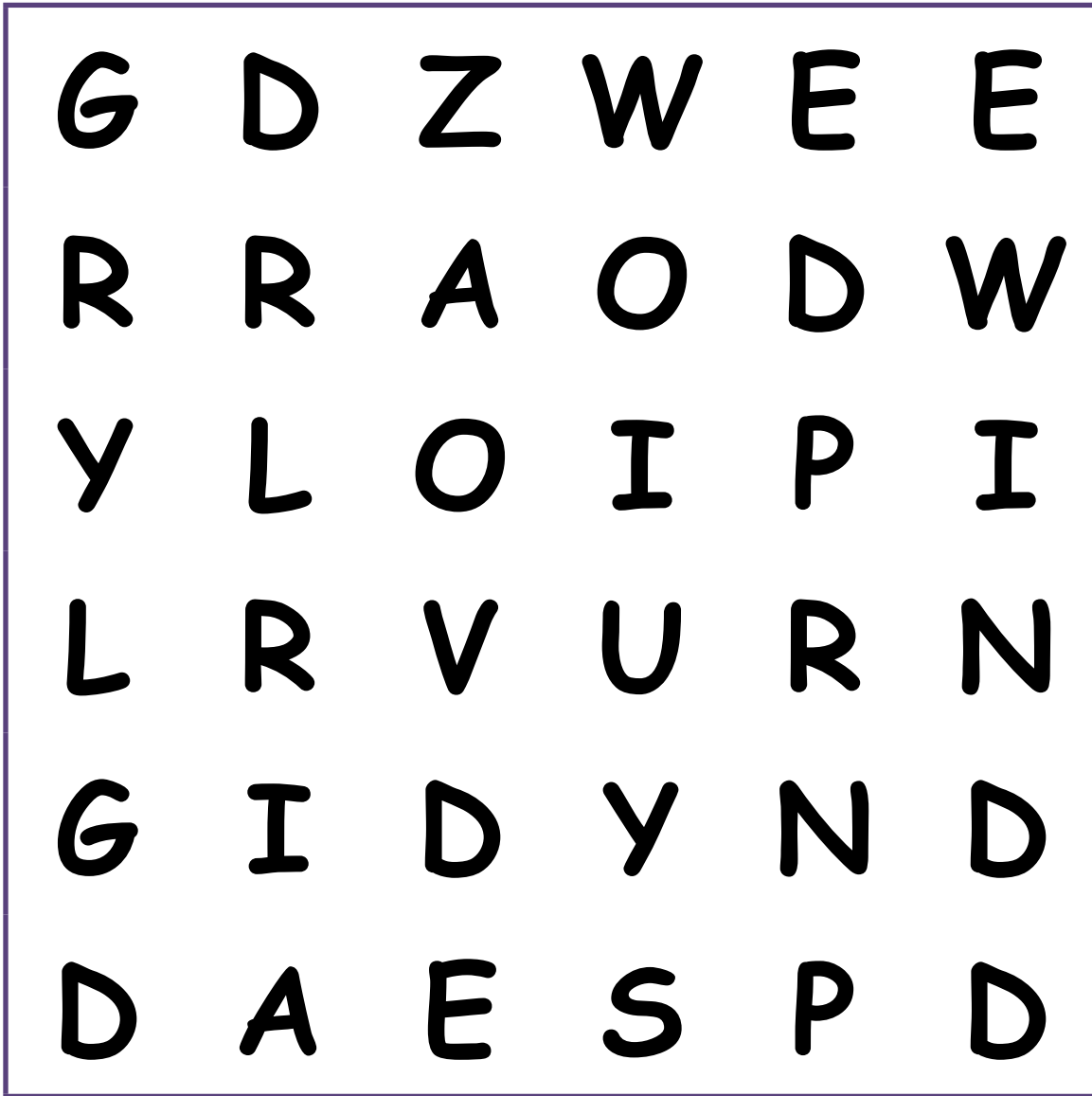


5. What did Miryam praise Yahweh with? (15:20)



# WORD SEARCH

Search for the hidden words from this week's parsha.



SEA

DIVIDE

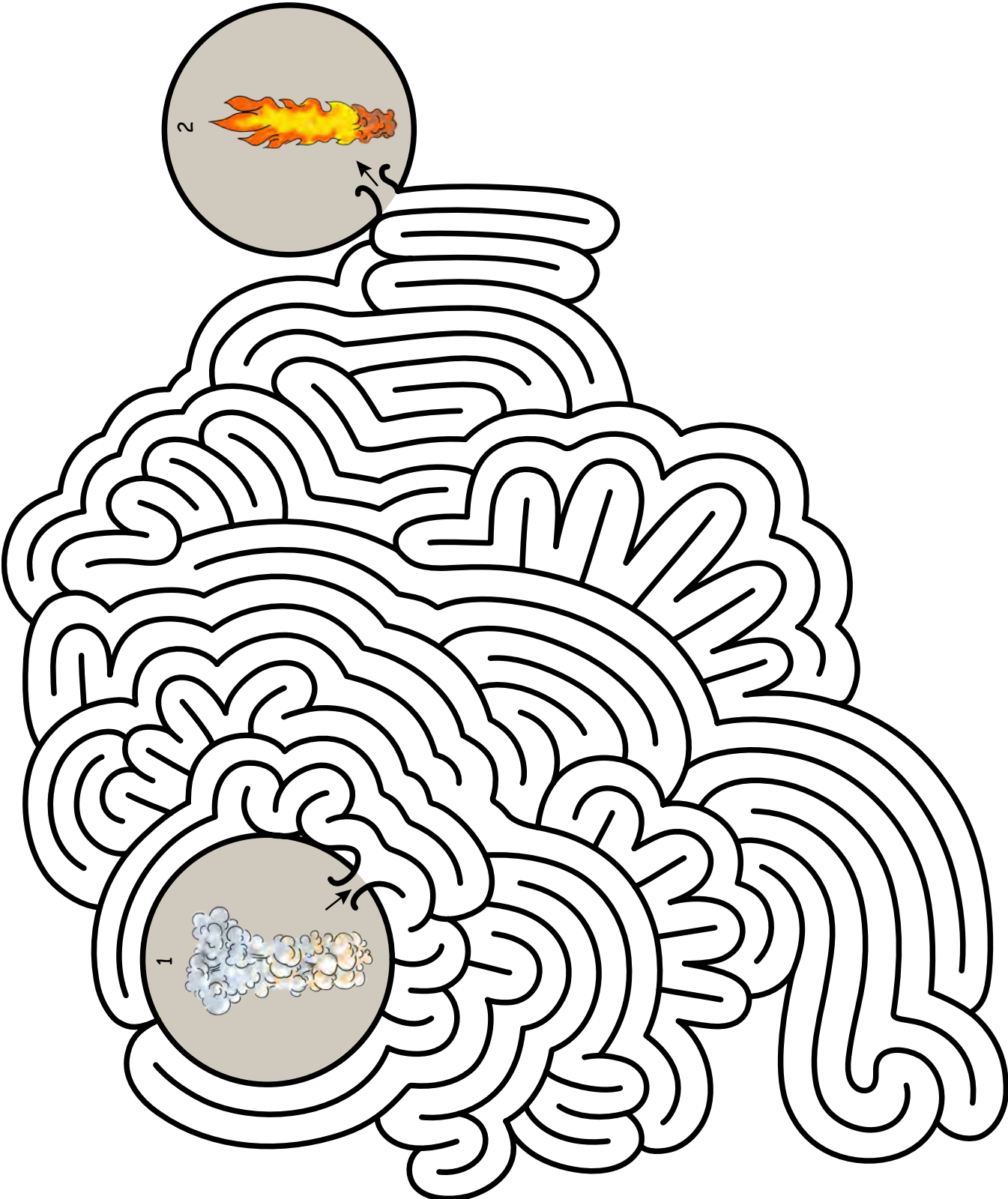
WALL

WIND

DRY

GROUND

# MAZE



# Precious Possessions

## CRAFT

### Praise Tambourine

Exodus 15:20

#### Materials:

- Copy paper
- Embroidery hoop - any size
- Fabric large enough to cover the hoop opening plus 2" all around - white or light color
- Bells (size and color of choice)
- Fishing line, cotton crochet thread or any thick thread
- Hot glue
- Scissors
- Fabric paints, markers or crayons
- Optional: puffy paint, glitter glue, etc...
- Craft Template A

#### Parent/Teacher Preparation:

- Print Template A on copy paper.



#### Instructions for the Craft:

- The embroidery hoop can be any size. It can be either wood or plastic.
- Pull the inner ring out from the outer ring of your embroidery hoop. Take the inner circle place it on the fabric and trace about  $\frac{1}{2}$ " larger than your ring. You want to be able to have your fabric cover the ring plus overlap it. (P1)
- We have included a template that may be used to trace onto the fabric so that it can be painted. (P2)
- If using the template, cut it out and trace it onto the fabric. (P3)



P1



P2



P3

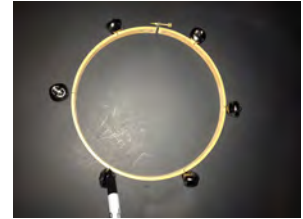
## Instructions for the Craft Cont'd:

- Decorate the fabric either by: (P4)
  - 1) painting
  - 2) coloring the picture you traced
  - 3) free drawing on it
- Set aside and allow the fabric to dry, if painted.
- Lay down the outer ring and space the bells you will be using around the outer ring. Once they are in place, mark their placement on the ring. We used 6. (P5)
- Take the thread or fishing line and hot glue one end to the outer hoop on the inside close to the tightening screw. (P6)
- Begin wrapping the thread around the outer ring.
- Stop after reaching the first mark and insert a bell on the string. (P7)
- Continue wrapping the string around stopping at the marks to insert a bell until you get back to the beginning. (P8)
- When at the end, make sure the string is nice and tight. Then, hot glue the end of the string in place.
- Check to see if the paint on the fabric is dry. If it is, place it over your inner ring, making sure that all the edges are covered well.
- Push the outer ring over the fabric and inner ring and tighten it in place. The fabric should be tight like a drum. (P9)
- Hot glue the bells in place so they don't wiggle around. This step can be done after stringing each bell, but make sure the hot glue is dry and cool before continuing.
- Do NOT hit the tambourine on the fabric, but instead lightly tap it on the rings section when using it.

*This is a visual representation of the tambourines that were used by Miryam and some of the women to praise Yahweh.*



P4



P5



P6



P7



P8



P9



# CRAFT

## Miryam Praising Yahweh

Exodus 15:20

### Materials:

- Cardstock - white
- Small decorative balls - gold or color of choice (for hemline)
- Sequins - color of choice
- Brad
- Puffy paint - blue
- Glitter glue - gold
- Glue
- Scissors
- Coloring pencils, crayons or markers
- Craft Templates: A (BW) or B (color)



#### Parent/Teacher Preparation:

- Print Template A or B on white cardstock.

### Instructions for the Craft:

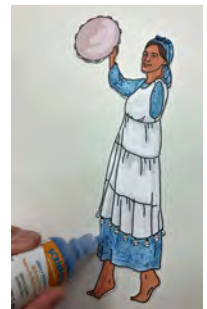
- If using BW Templates, color using medium of choice.
- Cut out all Template pieces. (P1)
- Apply blue puffy paint to Miryam's head covering, blue parts on her dress and the arm piece. (P2a, P2b, P2c)
- Allow puffy paint to dry. (P2d)



P1



P2a



P2b



P2c



P2d

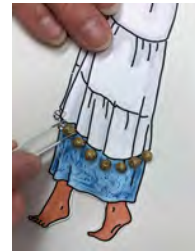
## Instructions for the Craft Cont'd:

- Apply glue to the bells on Miryam's hem. (P3a)
- Place tiny balls on the glue and allow to dry. (P3b, P3c)
- Cut a few sequins in half. (P4)
- Apply glue to the bells on the timbrel. (P5a)
- Place half sequins on the glue. You may need a tweezer to place the sequins. (P5b)
- Using gold glitter glue, add to the center of the timbrel.
- Using a puncturing tool, pierce the dots on the shoulder area of both pieces. (P7a, P7b)
- Using a brad, connect the arm to the torso. (P8)

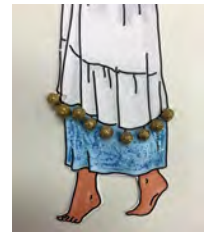
*You now have a visual representation of Miryam praising Yahweh with dance and the timbrel.*



P3a



P3b



P3c



P4



P5a



P5b



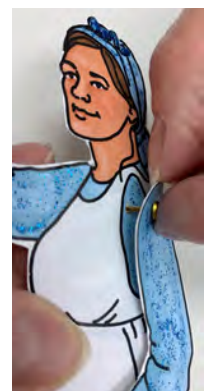
P6



P7a



P7b



P8



Craft Template A (BW)



Craft Template B (color)



# CRAFT

## Yisrae'lites Cross the Sea of Reeds

Exodus 14:22, 29

### Materials:

- Cardstock - white
- Craft sticks - regular (colored or plain)
- X-acto knife
- Glue
- Scissors
- Coloring pencils, crayons or markers
- Craft Templates: Main Page & A (BW) or Main Page & B (color)



### Parent/Teacher Preparation:

- Print Craft Templates of choice on white cardstock.
- You may need to assist the child in cutting out the slit on the Main Page.

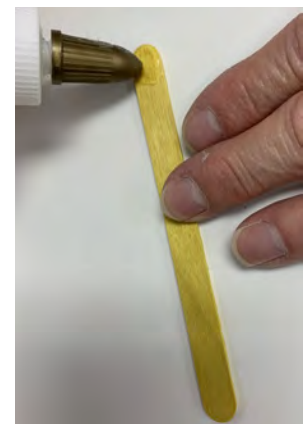
### Instructions for the Craft:

- If using BW Templates, color using medium of choice.
- Cut out all Template pieces. (P1)
- Apply glue to one end of each craft stick. (P2)
- Adhere characters to each stick. (P3)
- Set aside to dry.
- Using an X-acto knife, make a slit through the indicated lines on the Main Page. (P4)
- You can take your characters and slide them through the slits moving them through the walls of water. (P5, P6)

*You now have a visual representation of the children of Yisra'el walking on dry ground in the midst of the sea, and the waters were a wall to them on their right and on their left.*



P1



P2



P3



P4



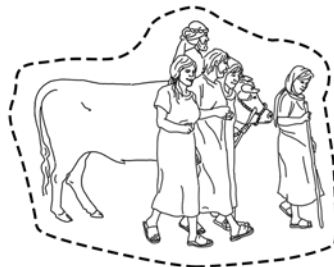
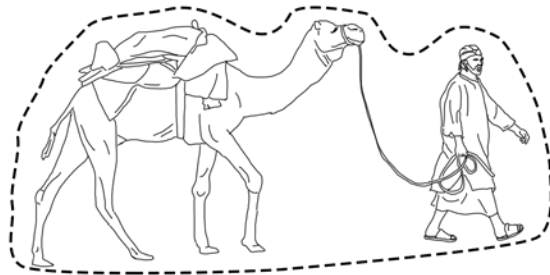
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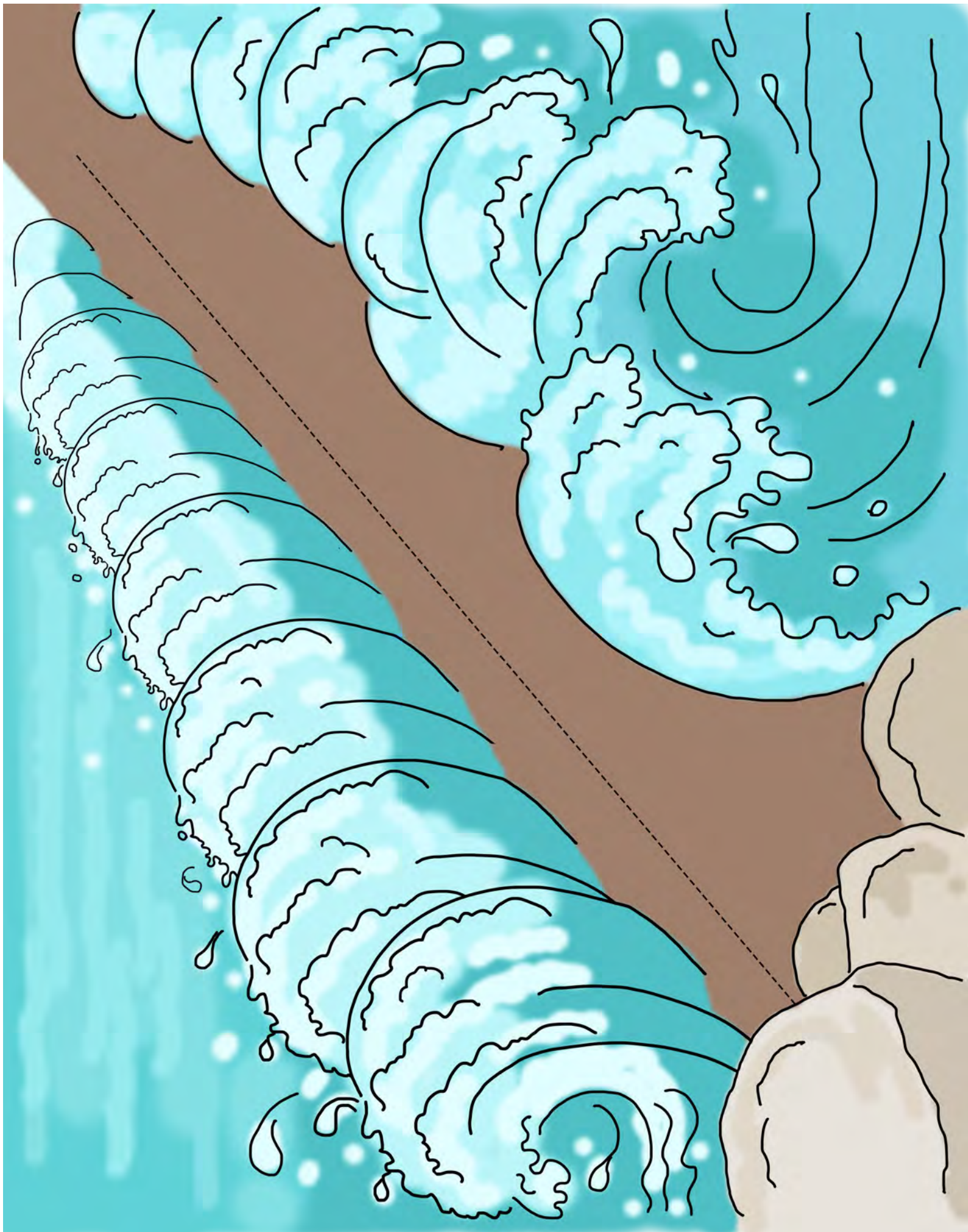


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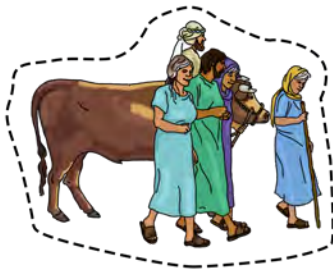
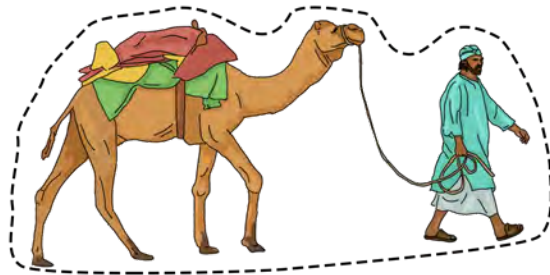


Craft Template A (BW)





Craft Template B (color)







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# Sweetness of Torah

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## SWEET SOUNDS OF TORAH

(Sing Praises to His Name)

Here is the link for this song:

[https://www.podomatic.com/podcasts/steveberkson/episodes/2017-02-04T20\\_53\\_46-08\\_00](https://www.podomatic.com/podcasts/steveberkson/episodes/2017-02-04T20_53_46-08_00)

### Mi Chamocha

(Exodus 15:11)

Mi Chamocha ba'elim Yahweh  
Mi Chamocha ne'dar bakodesh  
Nora tehillot  
Oseh feleh, Oseh feleh

Who is like you, Yahweh among the gods  
Who is like you, mighty in holiness  
You are awesome in praise  
Doing wonders Yahweh, Doing wonders Yahweh



# SWEET TASTE OF TORAH

This snack relates to this week's parsha. Please take these as suggestions and make necessary changes based on your individual dietary needs.

## Dry Land and Parted Waters

Exodus 14:21



### Ingredients:

- *Graham* crackers
- Blue (*Funfetti*) frosting or any kosher gummy fish or candies

### Instructions:

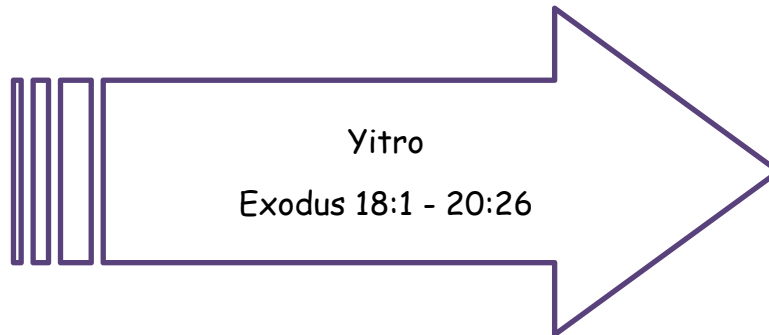
Spread blue frosting on both edges of 1 *Graham* cracker making a wall.

If you bought *Funfetti* frosting, it already has little candy fish that you can place onto the parted water walls to add some sea life.

If you have just blue frosting, take some kosher gummy fish and place them onto parted water walls to add sea life.

# Next Week's Treasure Hunt

## Next Week's Torah Portion



## Suggested Reading Schedule

Monday:	Ex. 18:1-12	Yitro's advice to Mosheh
Tuesday:	Ex. 18:13-27	Yitro's advice to Mosheh
Wednesday:	Ex. 19:1-15	Yahweh's instructions to Yisra'el to prepare for receiving the Commandments
Thursday:	Ex. 19:16-25	Yahweh appears on Mt. Sinai
Friday:	Ex. 20	The giving and receiving the 10 Commandments