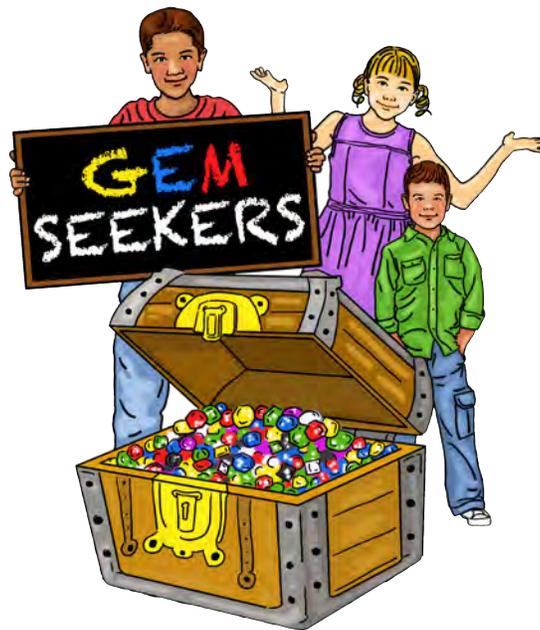


# Vayeishev

"He settled"

Genesis 37:1 - 40:23

Katan Aleph



In This Edition:

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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.

### Yoseph, Master of Dreams

Shalom children! Well, Ya'aqob (place older Ya'aqob on board) has had a long life. He has a lot of children —12 sons in all— (place 11 sons on board) but 1 of them was his favorite child. His name was Yoseph. (Place Yoseph with regular robe on board.) Yoseph's mother was Rahel, and she died soon after Yoseph's little brother Binyamin was born. A long time had passed, and Ya'aqob's family had finally settled in their new home. The older brothers had become good shepherds and farmers.

Yoseph was now a teenager, and he had been helping some of his older brothers take care of the sheep. As typical teenagers, his brothers did something behind their father's back, and Yoseph tattled on them. I am sure they were not happy with him. Do you think you would be happy if your brother or sister told your parents on you? No, of course not. Well, on top of that, their father Ya'aqob made Yoseph a long robe. (Replace Yoseph with regular robe for Yoseph with long robe.) Now, back then you couldn't just go to the store and buy a robe. Each garment had to be made, and it took a lot of time. So the brothers knew how much more their dad loved Yoseph because of the special robe, and this made them very jealous.

Yoseph didn't seem to notice all these bad feelings his brothers had against him, because to make matters worse, he told them about a dream he had. He told them that in his dream, they were all together binding sheaves. Do you know what that means? It's when you get a bunch of stalks of grain and tie them up into a bundle like this. (Place grain sheaf on board.) Yoseph continued on about his dream. He suddenly said, "My sheaf rose up and was standing, and all your sheaves stood around me and bowed down." (Place 11 sheaves bowing down around tall sheaf on board.) Now his brothers were really mad at him, since Yoseph's dream indicated that he would be king over them. (Remove sheaves from board and place angry emoji on board.)

On another day, he talked to his father and brothers and told them about a new dream. In this dream, he was standing there while the sun and the moon and 11 stars bowed to him. (Place bowing sun, moon and stars on board.) Ya'aqob was not happy about this and asked him if he meant for him and his mother and brothers to bow to him. Oh boy, his brothers were really angry then! (Point to angry emoji.) But Ya'aqob didn't get angry at Yoseph. He just put it in the back of his mind.

(Remove all characters from board.)



More time passed, and Yoseph's brothers were sent by their father to feed the sheep in Shek<sup>em</sup>. Ya'aqob wanted to make sure they were doing okay (**place older Ya'aqob on board**), so he called to Yoseph. Yoseph said, "Here I am." (**Place Yoseph with long robe on board by Ya'aqob.**) Ya'aqob asked Yoseph to go check on his brothers, so Yoseph went. (**Remove older Ya'aqob from board.**) Yoseph searched for his brothers in Shek<sup>em</sup>, but a man told him his brothers had gone farther to a place called Dothan. So he kept on going, hoping to find his brothers. His brothers (**place 10 brothers on board a little farther away**) saw him before he saw them, and they remembered how angry he had made them. They started calling him names before he even got to them. They called him a 'master of dreams,' but not in a nice way. They started thinking of ways to hurt him. They began making fun of him, and asked one another how his dreams were going to come true if he was hurt badly. The oldest brother, Re'uben, heard them plotting and ordered them not to hurt him, but to throw him in an empty pit that was nearby. (**Place empty pit on board.**) Re'uben was planning to rescue him out of the pit later and sneak him back to their dad.

When Yoseph finally made it to where his brothers were, they attacked him. They took off his long robe and threw him in the pit. (**Remove empty pit from board and replace with Yoseph in pit.**) While the brothers were sitting down to eat their lunch, they saw a group of traders coming with camels. (**Place Yishma'elite traders and 10 camels on board.**) Another one of Yoseph's brothers, Yehudah, had an idea. He said, "Let's make some money. Instead of hurting Yoseph, we can sell him. Then we won't get in trouble for hurting him." So when the traders got there, they took Yoseph and sold him for 20 pieces of silver. (**Place silver on board.**) The traders then took Yoseph with them down to Mitsrayim. (**Remove Yoseph in pit, Yishma'elite traders and camels from board and place pyramids on board.**)

Now Re'uben had been gone for a little while, so when he went to sneak Yoseph out of the pit, he discovered that Yoseph was gone. Re'uben was terribly upset; he didn't know how he would explain it all to their father when he found out. So the brothers again came up with an idea. Man, these brothers sure are full of ideas! Anyway, they decided that they would pretend to have found Yoseph's robe covered in blood and let their dad imagine what had happened. So they got the long robe they had taken off Yoseph and put an animal's blood on it. Then they showed it to their dad and asked him if he recognized it. (**Place older Ya'aqob and the long robe with blood on board.**) Their dad was very, very sad, because he figured that Yoseph must have been attacked by wild animals and had died. Even though the brothers knew what had really happened, they tried to make Ya'aqob feel better. But Ya'aqob stayed sad. (**Place sad emoji on board.**)

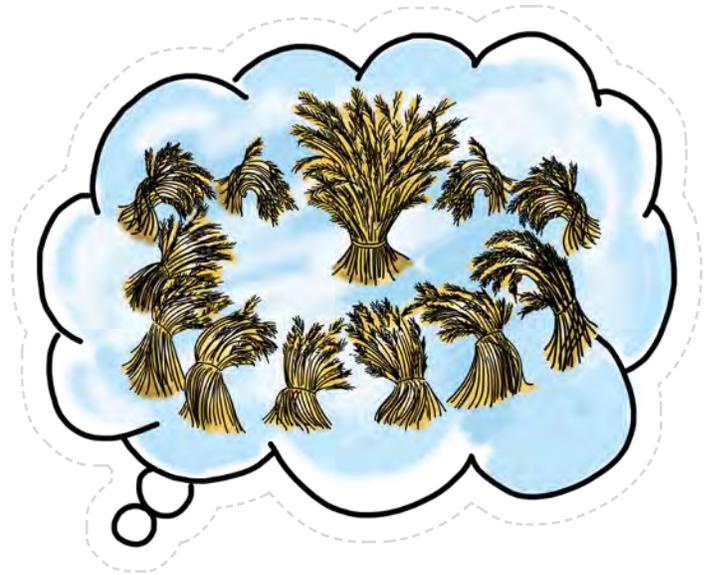
Meanwhile, the traders who had bought Yoseph sold him to an important Egyptian man named Potiphar, who was the captain of Pharaoh's guard. (**Place Potiphar on board.**) Not a very happy ending to this story is it children? It sure doesn't look like Yoseph's dreams about his brothers will come true at this point, does it?

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!





Bowing sun, moon and stars



11 Sheaves bowing down around tall sheaf



Older Ya'aqob

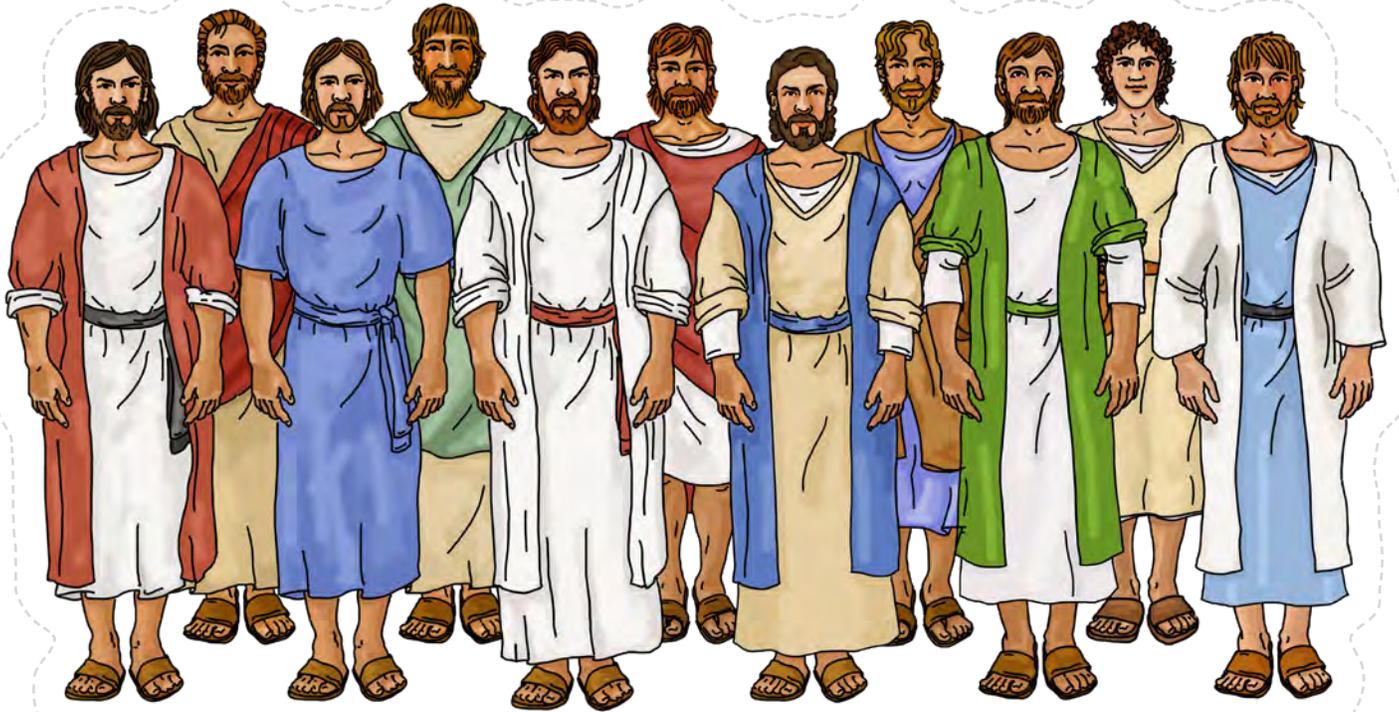


Yoseph with regular robe



Yoseph with special robe

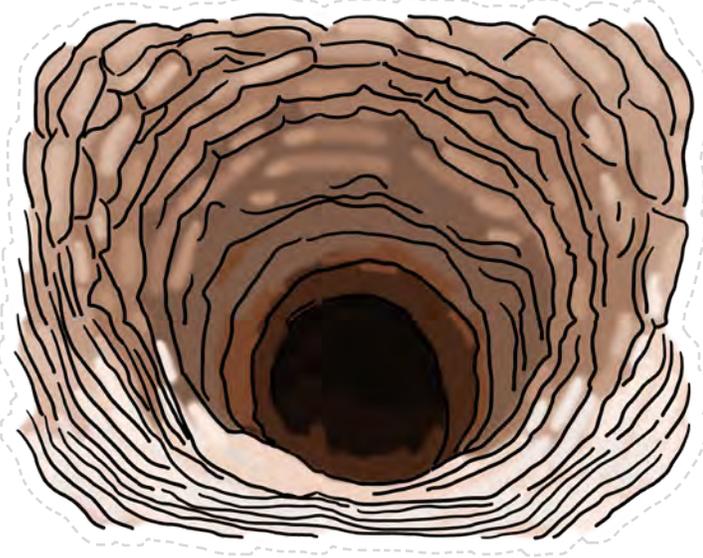
Ya'aqob's 11 Sons



Potiphar



Yishma'elite traders

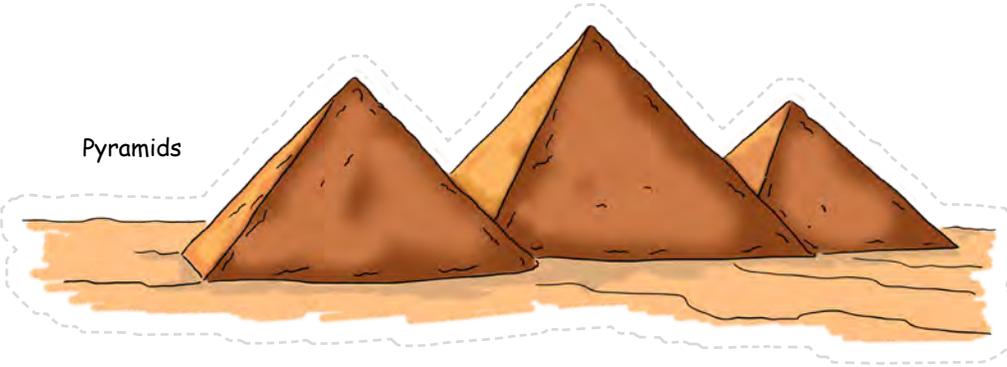


Empty pit



Yoseph in pit

Pyramids



20 Pieces of silver



Angry emoji



Long robe with blood

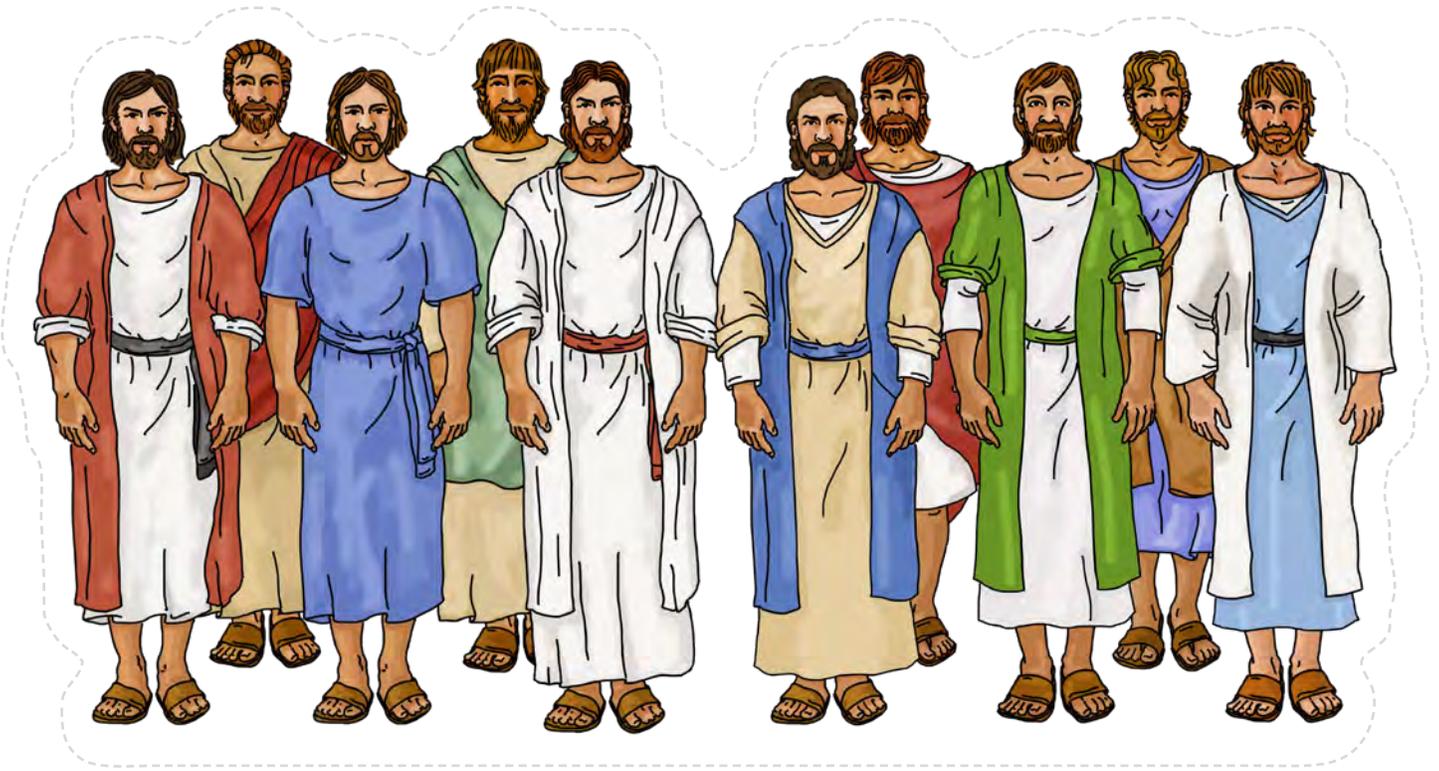


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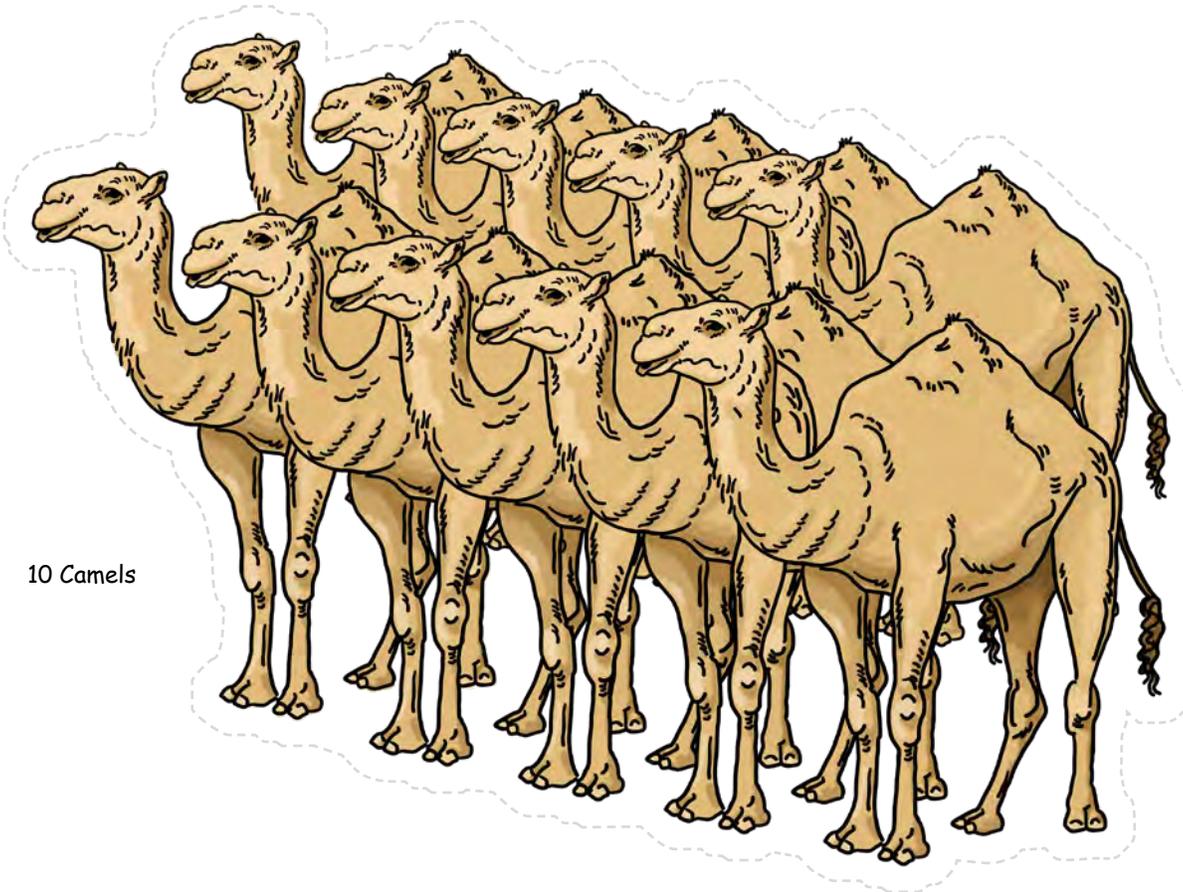


Sad emoji

10 Brothers

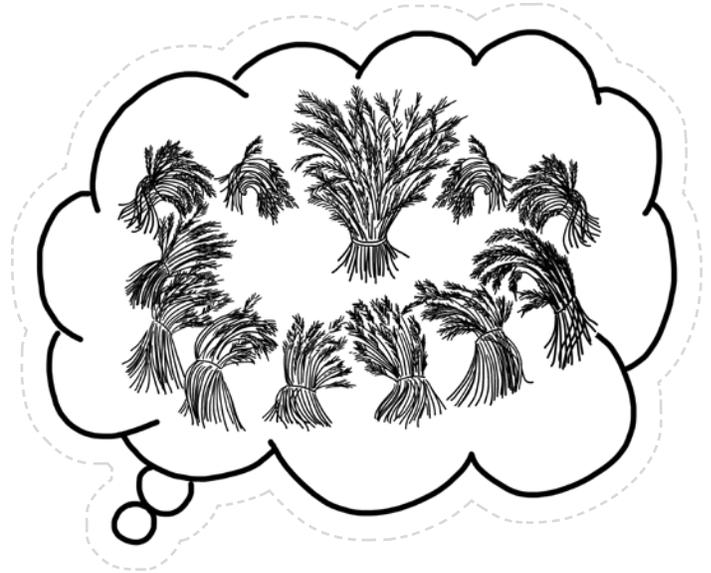


10 Camels





Bowing sun, moon and stars



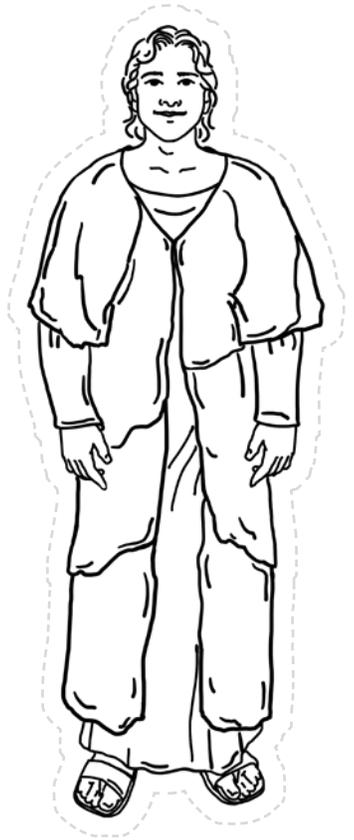
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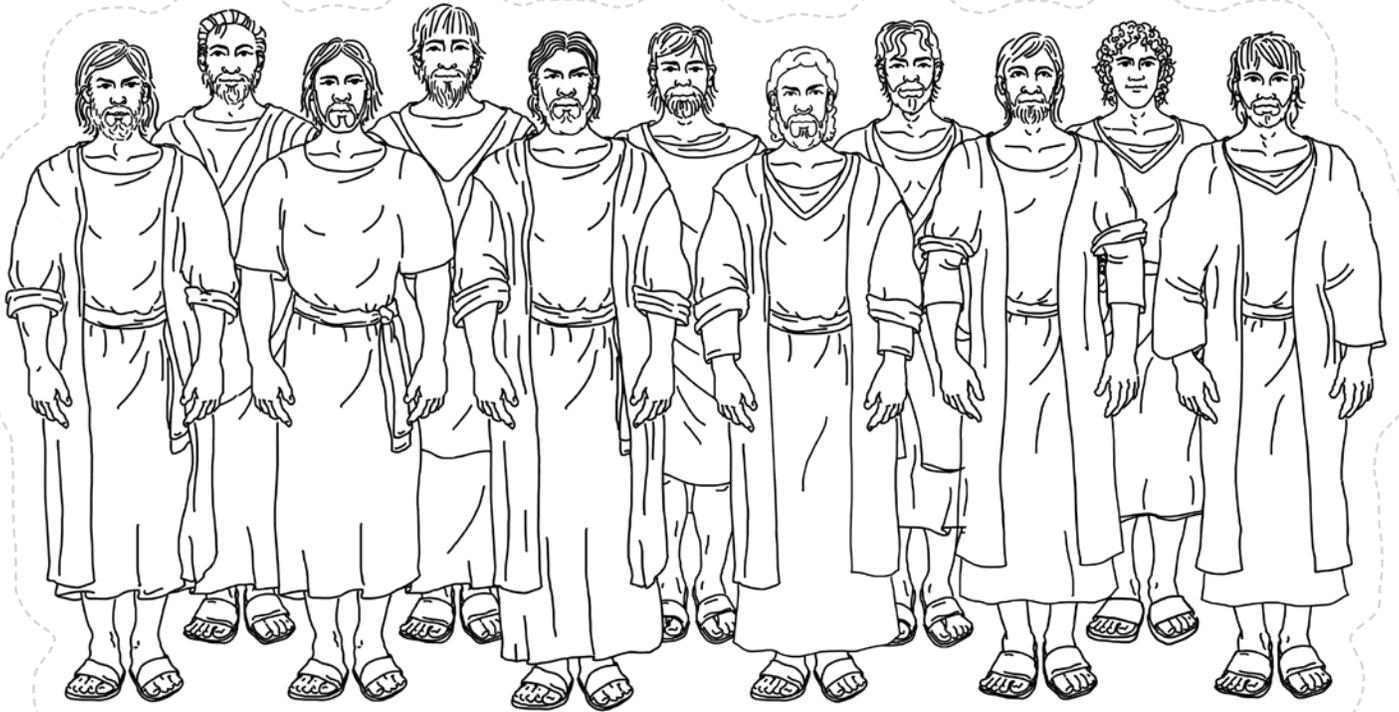
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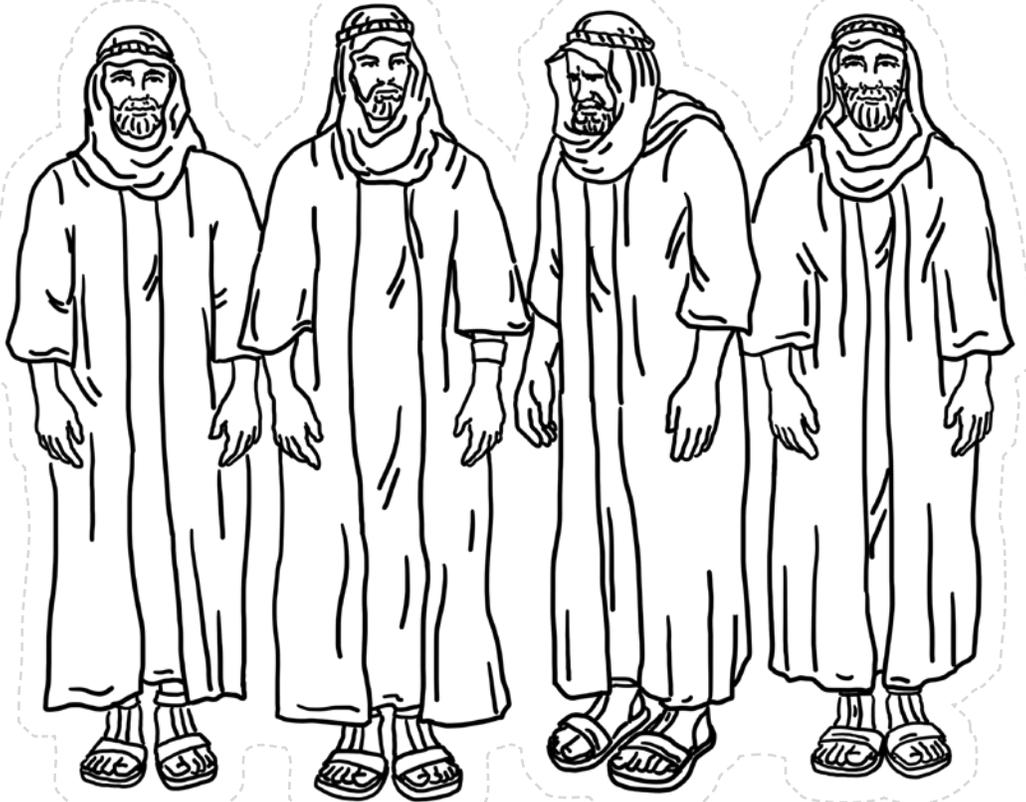
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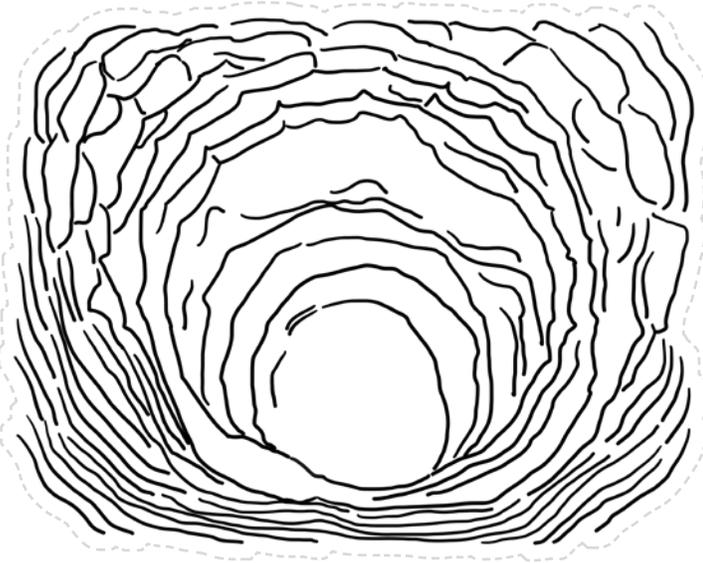
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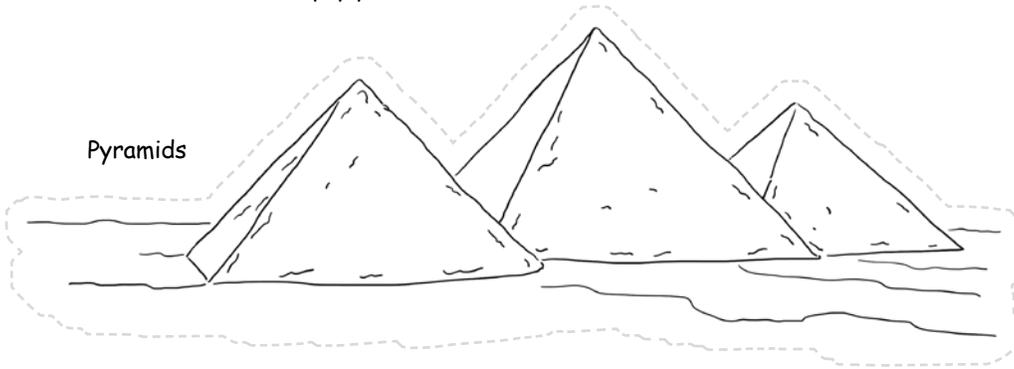
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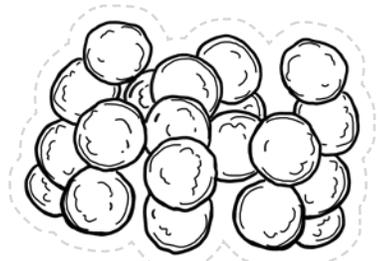
Empty pit



Yoseph in pit



Pyramids



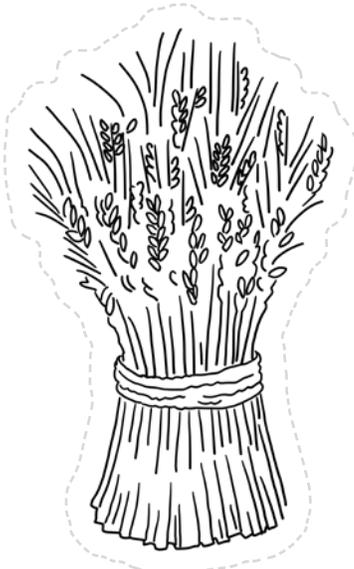
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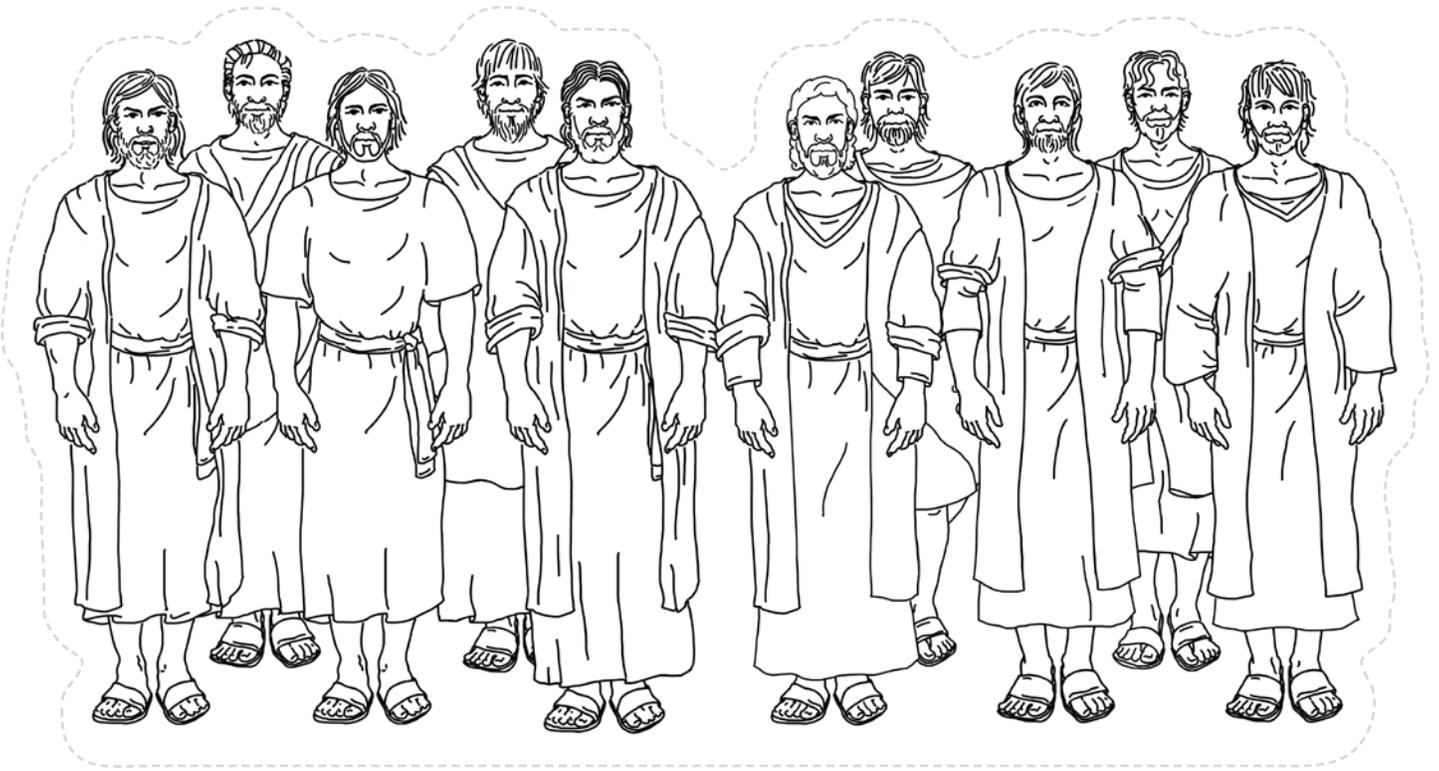


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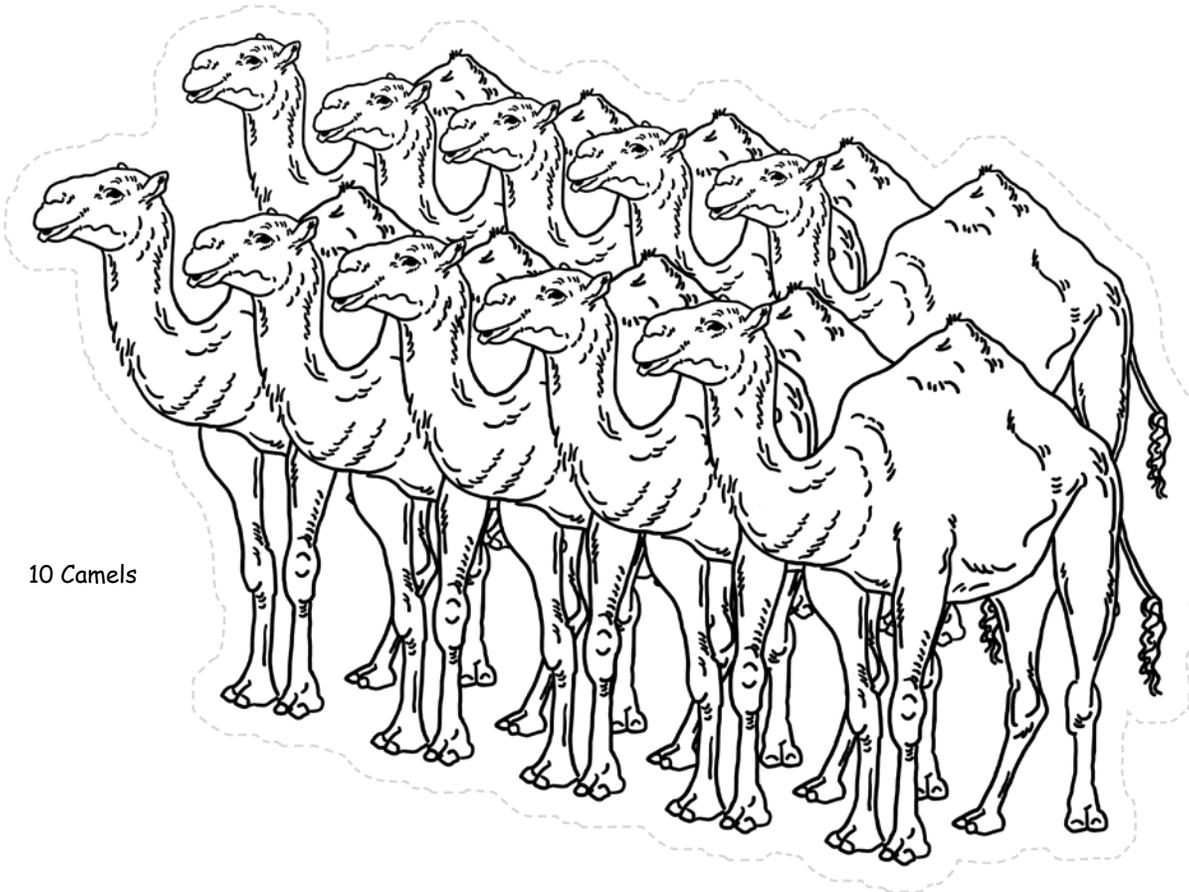


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10 Brothers



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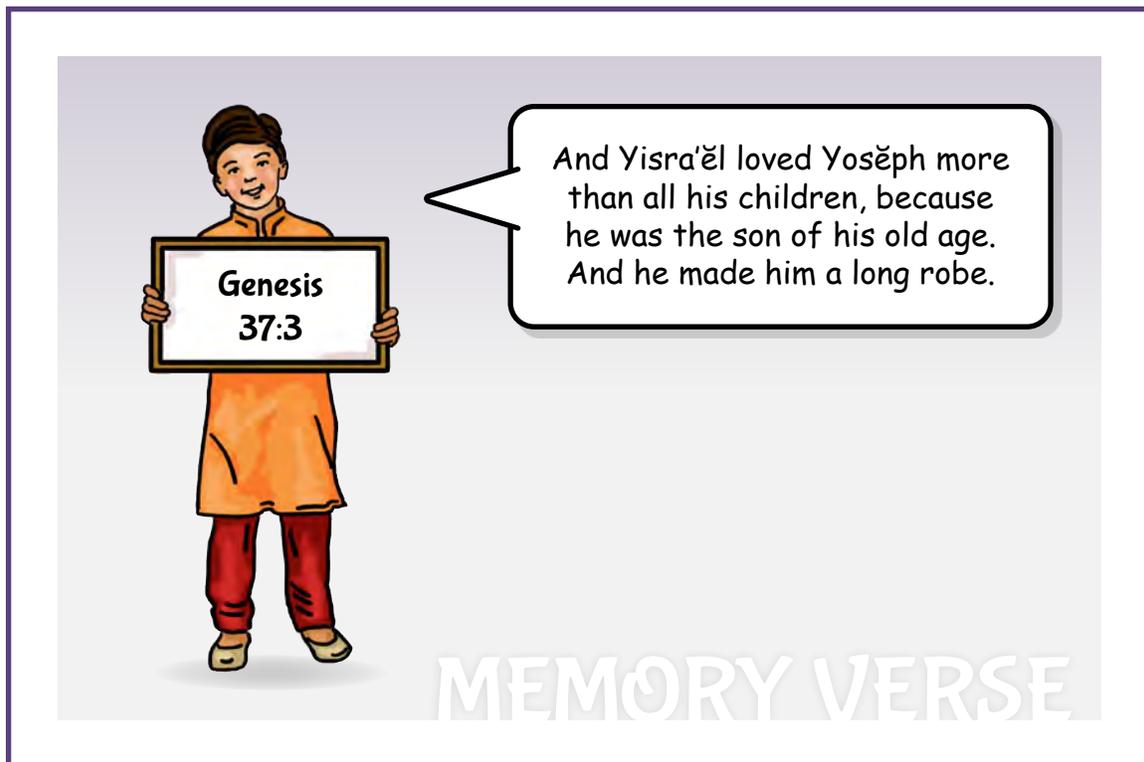


# Counting What You Gained

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 *Genesis 37:3*. 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.





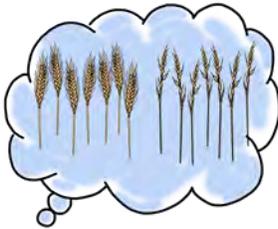
# SEEKING TREASURE

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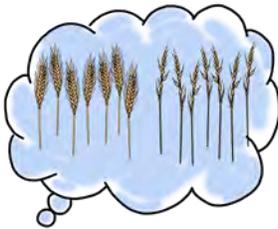
1. Yoseph's father made him this. (37:3)



2. What did Yoseph dream in his 1<sup>st</sup> dream? (37:7)



3. What did Yoseph dream in his 2<sup>nd</sup> dream? (37:9)



4. What did Yoseph's brothers do to him? (37:24)

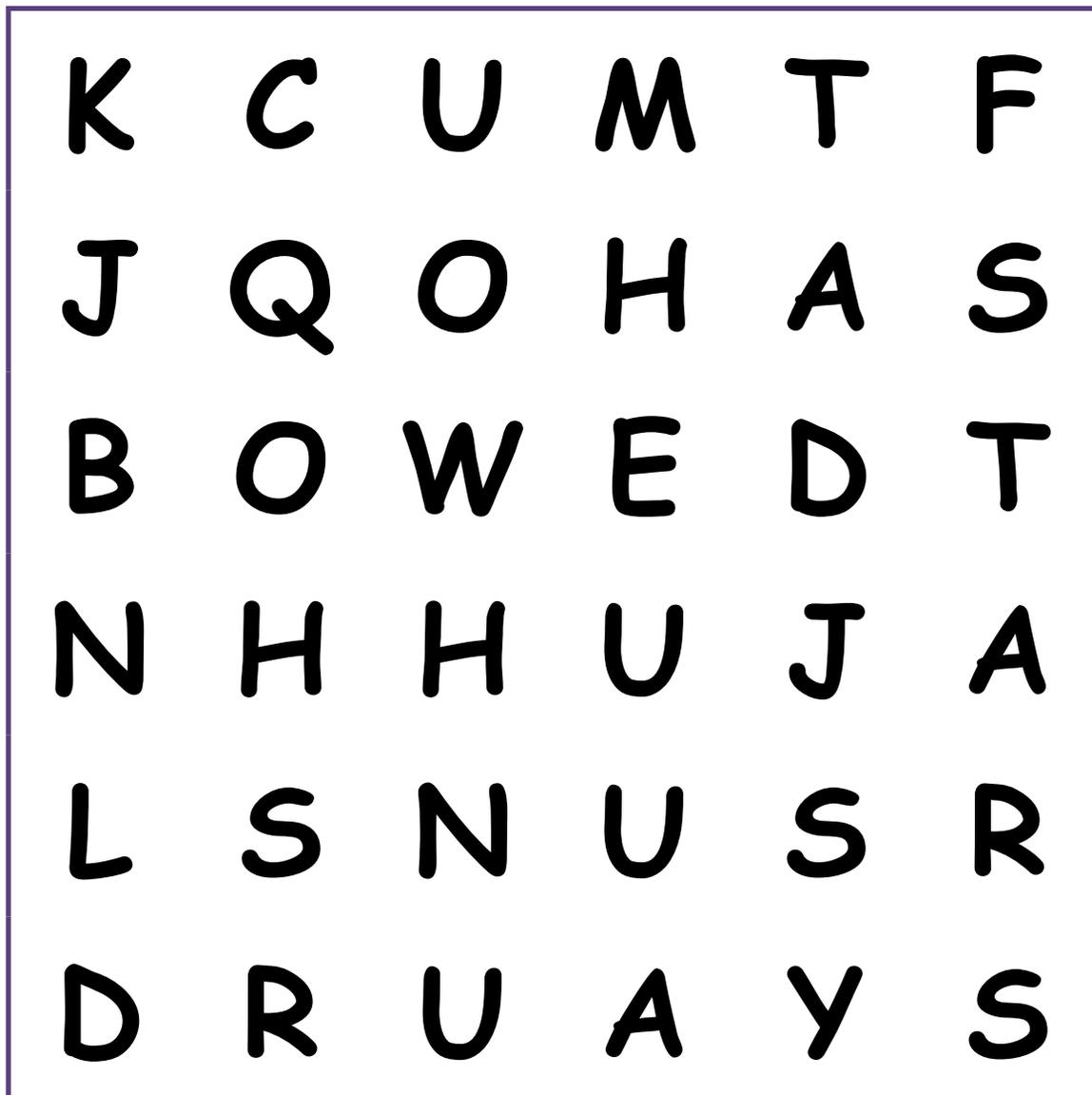


5. What did the brothers do with Yoseph's long robe? (37:31)



# WORD SEARCH

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



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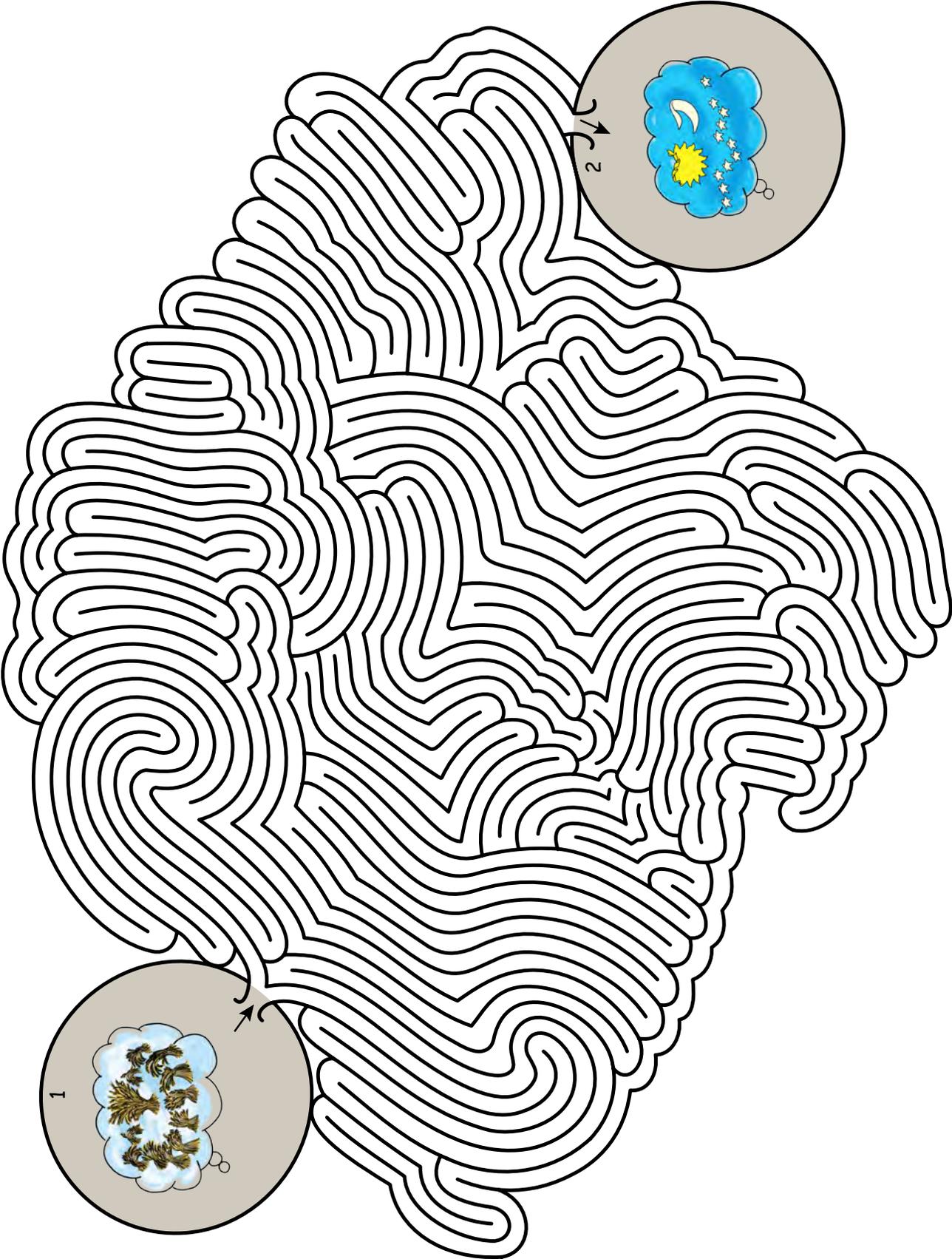
SUN

MOON

STARS



# MAZE



# Precious Possessions

## CRAFT

### Yoseph in the Pit

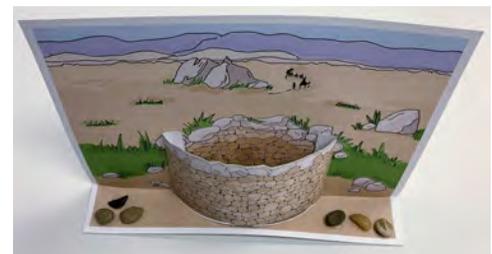
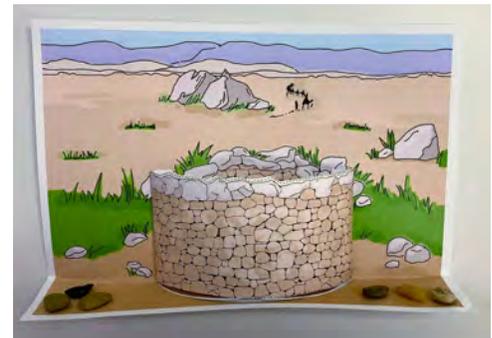
Genesis 37:24

#### Materials:

- Cardstock - white
- Pebbles - small
- Ruler (to assist in folding tabs)
- Double-sided adhesive tape
- Hot 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.

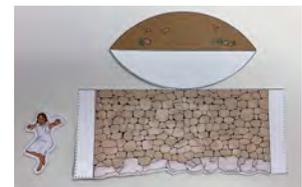


#### Instructions for the Craft:

- If using BW Templates, color using medium of choice.
- Cut out all Template pieces. (P1)

#### Assembling the Brick Pit

- Using a ruler to assist you, create a fold in all the separation lines. (P2a, P2b)
- Run double-sided adhesive tape on one side of the fold on the back of the dirt and adhere to each other. (P3a, P3b)
- When the brick pit is facing you the white side of the dirt will be showing. (P3c)
- Run double-sided adhesive tape onto the front of the tabs of the pit. (P4)
- Fold the tabs in. (P5)



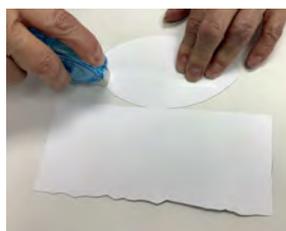
P1



P2a



P2b



P3a



P3b



P3c



P4



P5

# Instructions for the Craft Cont'd:

## Adding Yoseph to the Pit

- Run double-sided adhesive tape onto the back of Yoseph. (P6a)
- Place Yoseph on the dirt. (P6b)

## Assembling the Main Page

- Using a ruler to assist you, fold the Main Page at the dotted lines. (P7)
- Run double-sided adhesive tape onto the white side of the dirt. (P8)
- Align the white side onto the white half circle and adhere to the Main Page. (P9a, P9b)
- Adhere the tabs of the pit to the Main Page as indicated. (P10a, P10b)
- Hot glue some pebbles to the ends of the Main Page to add weight and help in it standing up. (P11)
- When looking into the pit, you should see Yoseph laying at the bottom in the dirt. (P12)

*You now have a visual representation of Yoseph in the pit as well as the Yishma'elite traders approaching.*



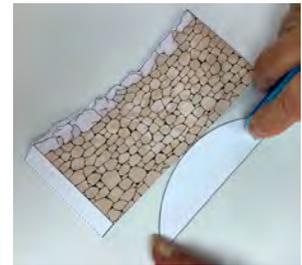
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P6b



P7



P8



P9a



P9b



P10a



P10b



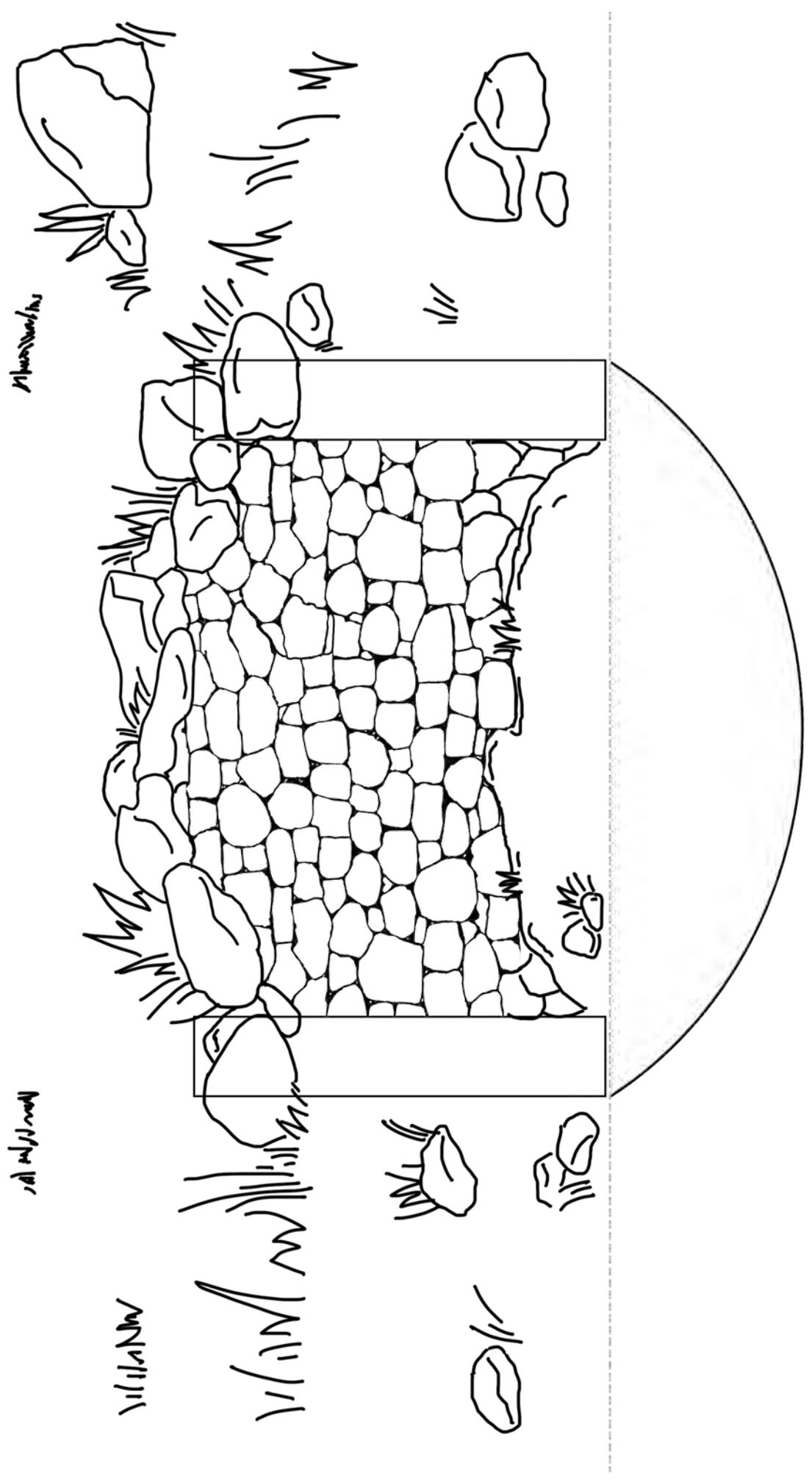
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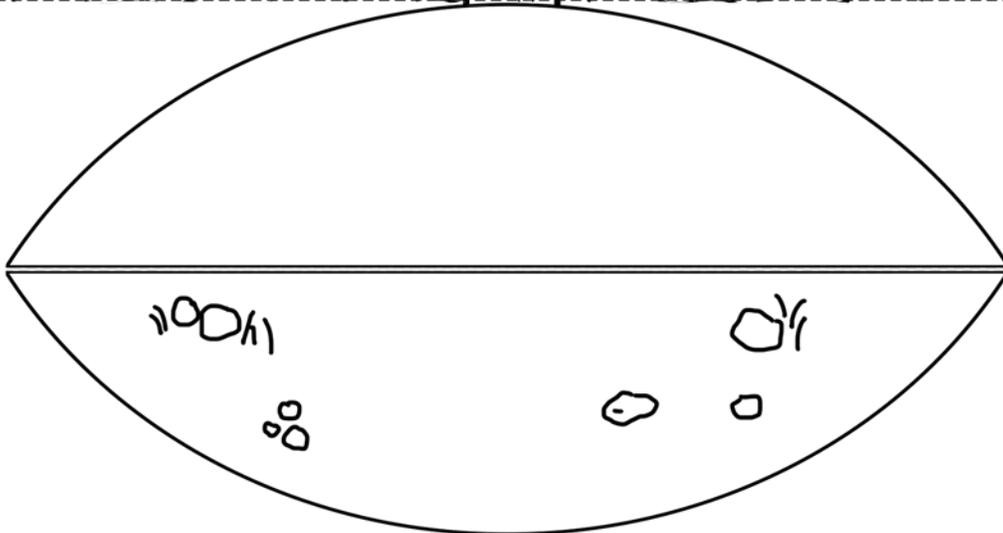
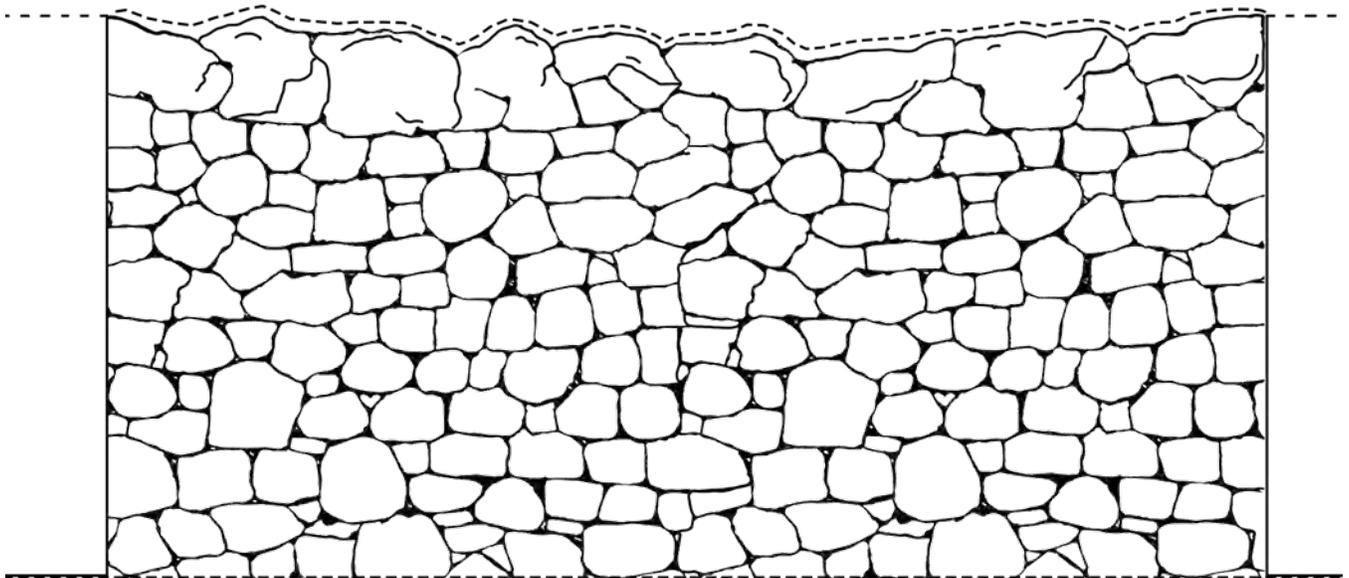
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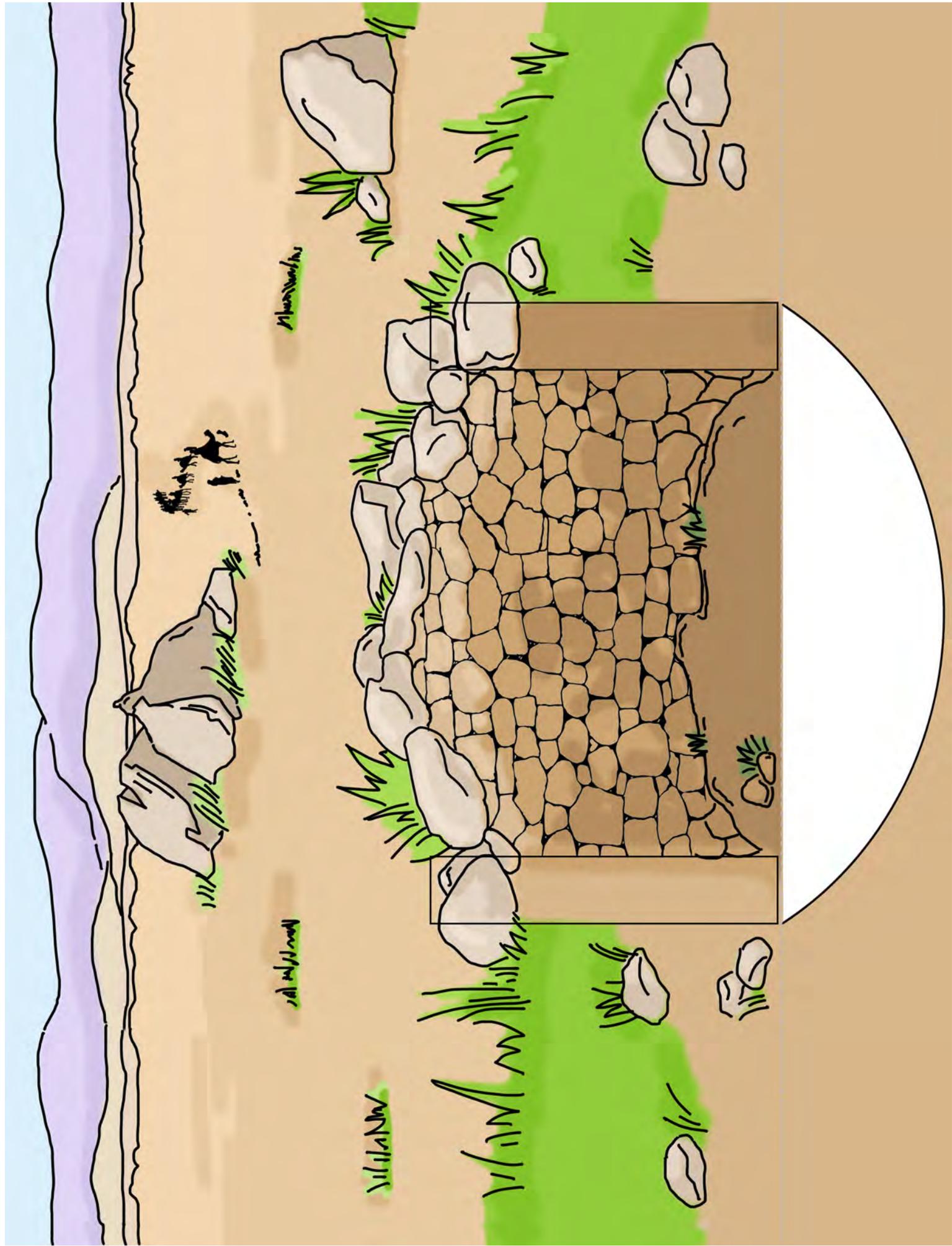


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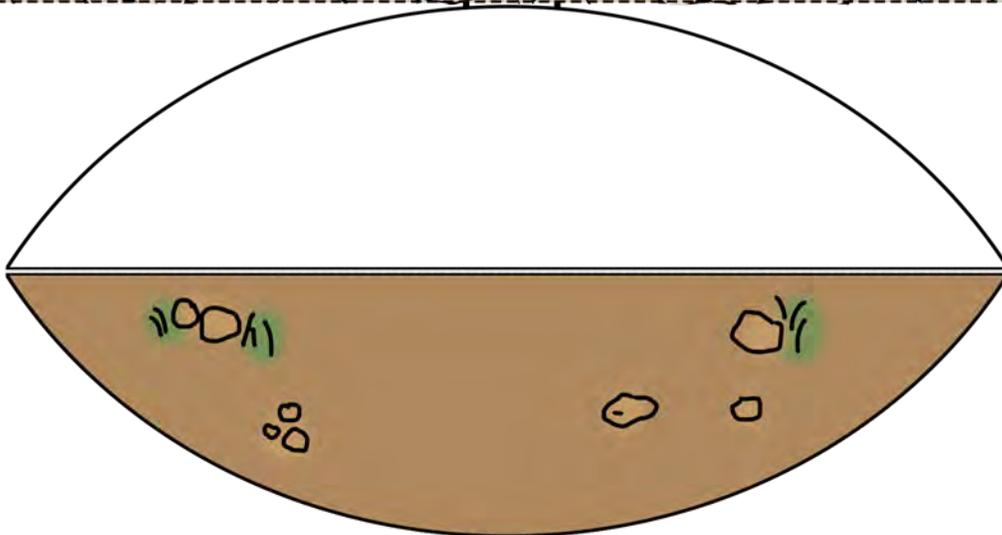
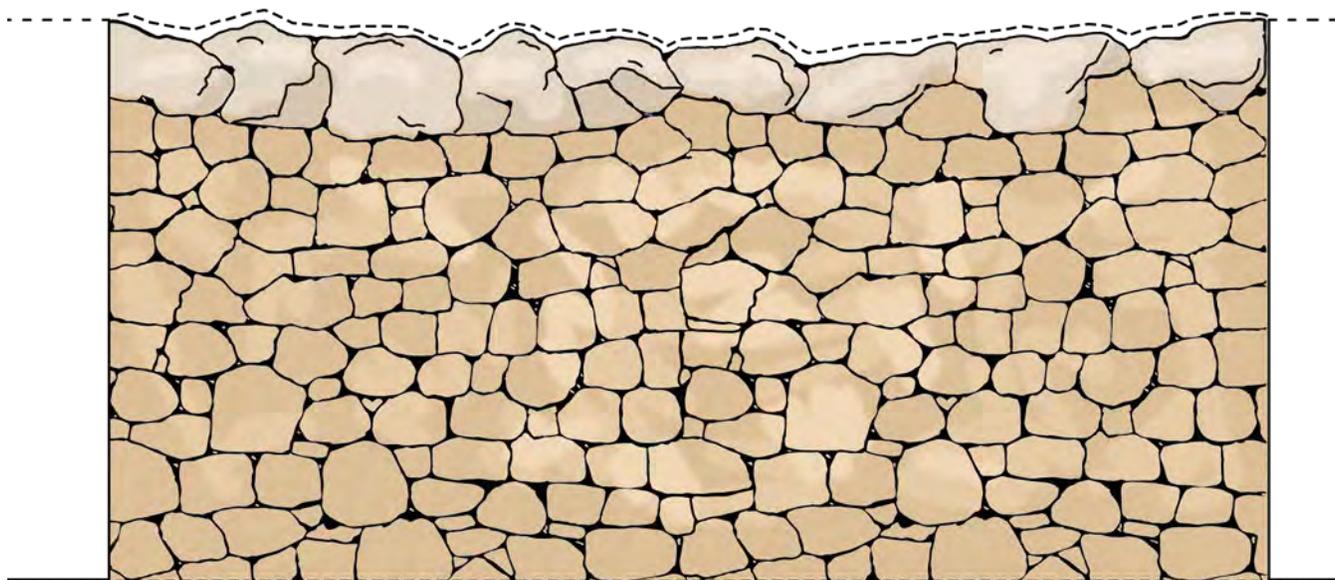


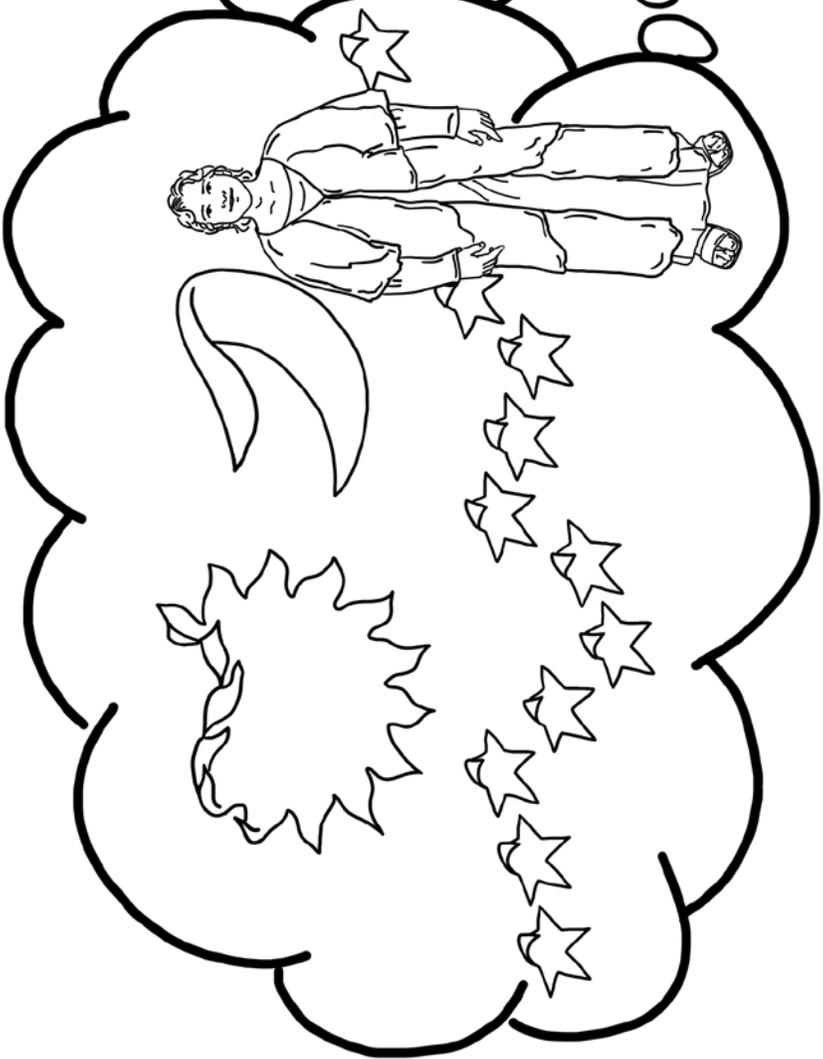
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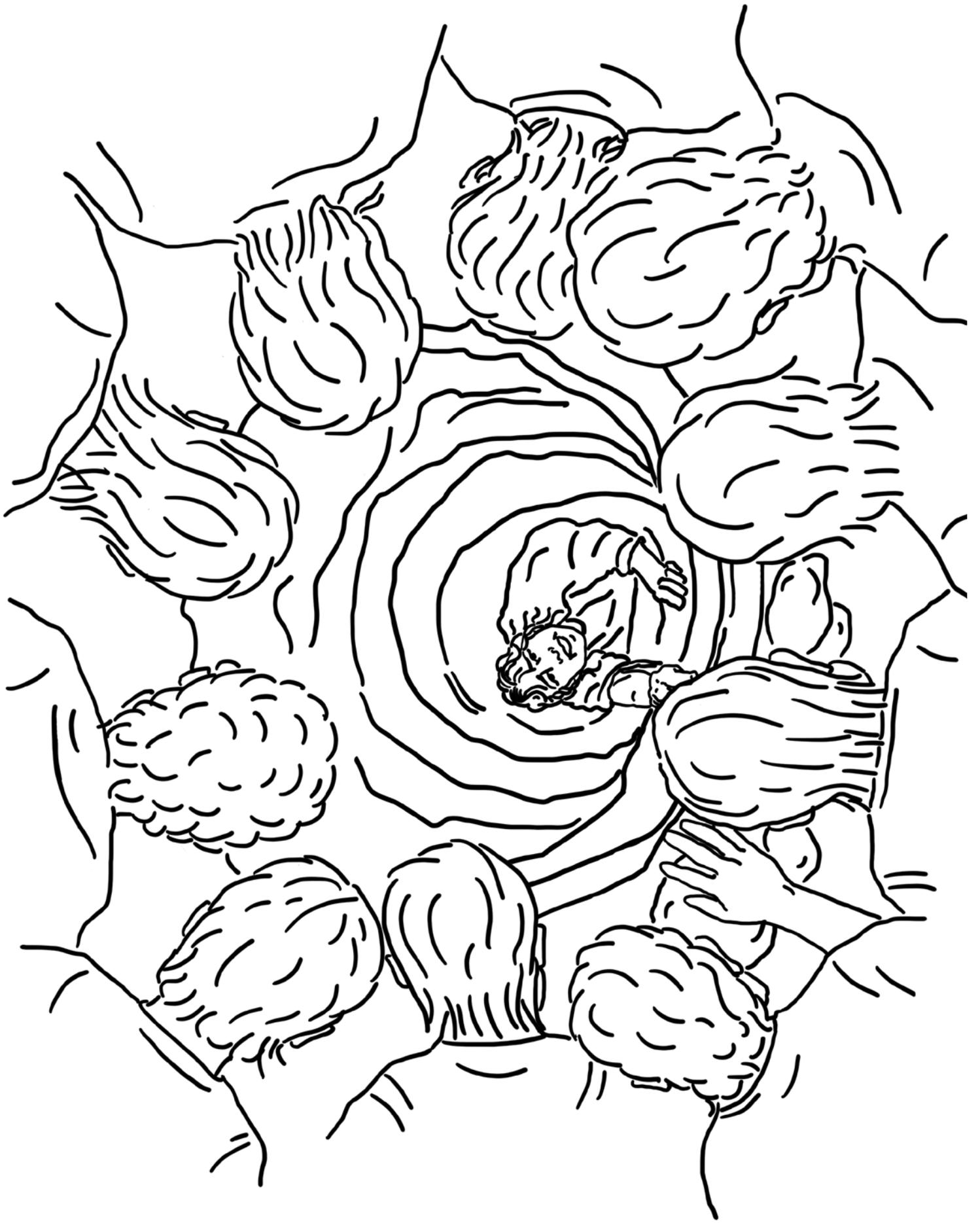




Craft Template B (color)







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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:

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### Yoseph and his Brothers

Yoseph and his brothers, took care of Ya'aqob's sheep  
Yoseph had two dreams, while he was asleep  
The brothers saw Yoseph, in the coat Ya'aqob gave  
They recalled his dreams, and they were afraid  
That Yahweh's blessing, would go only to him  
The brothers knew, there must be 'Twelve Sh'vatim'

So they took Yoseph, and threw him in a pit  
It was very dark, and no water in it  
They saw a wagon coming, and Yehudah said  
"Do not kill him, let's sell him instead"  
So down to Mitsrayim, Yoseph did go  
He was sold to Potiphar, a captain of Pharaoh



Sh'vatim = tribes

# 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.

## Sun, Moon and Stars

Genesis 37:9



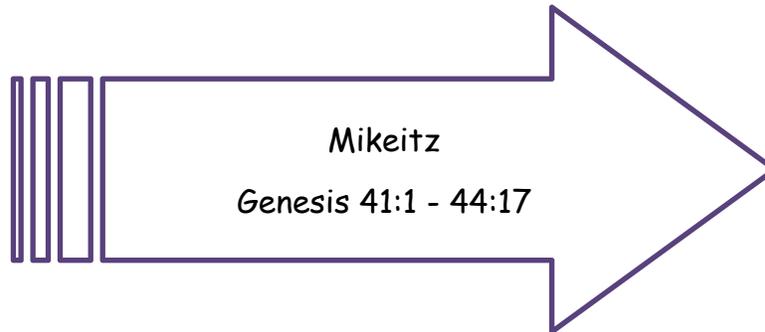
### Ingredients:

- 11 *Trader Joe's* star cookies (represents stars)
- Banana shaped cookie or a banana (represents the moon)
- Kosher *American cheese* slice\* cut with a cup to shape into circle (represents the sun)
- 7 *Cheez-It* crackers to place under and around the cheese (represents the sun's rays)

\* Note: Cheeses made in Wisconsin, such as Sargentos, have the correct rennet/enzymes for Kosher cheese slices.

# Next Week's Treasure Hunt

## Next Week's Torah Portion



## Suggested Reading Schedule

Monday:	Gen. 41:1 - 44:17	Yoseph marries and has 2 sons during the 7 years of plenty; The 7 years of scarcity begins
Tuesday:	Gen. 41:41-57	Yoseph marries and has 2 sons during the 7 years of plenty; The 7 years of scarcity begins
Wednesday:	Gen. 42	Yoseph's encounter with his 10 brothers
Thursday:	Gen. 43	Ya'aqob sends his sons back to Mitsrayim with Binyamin
Friday:	Gen. 44:1-17	The incident of the 'stolen' cup