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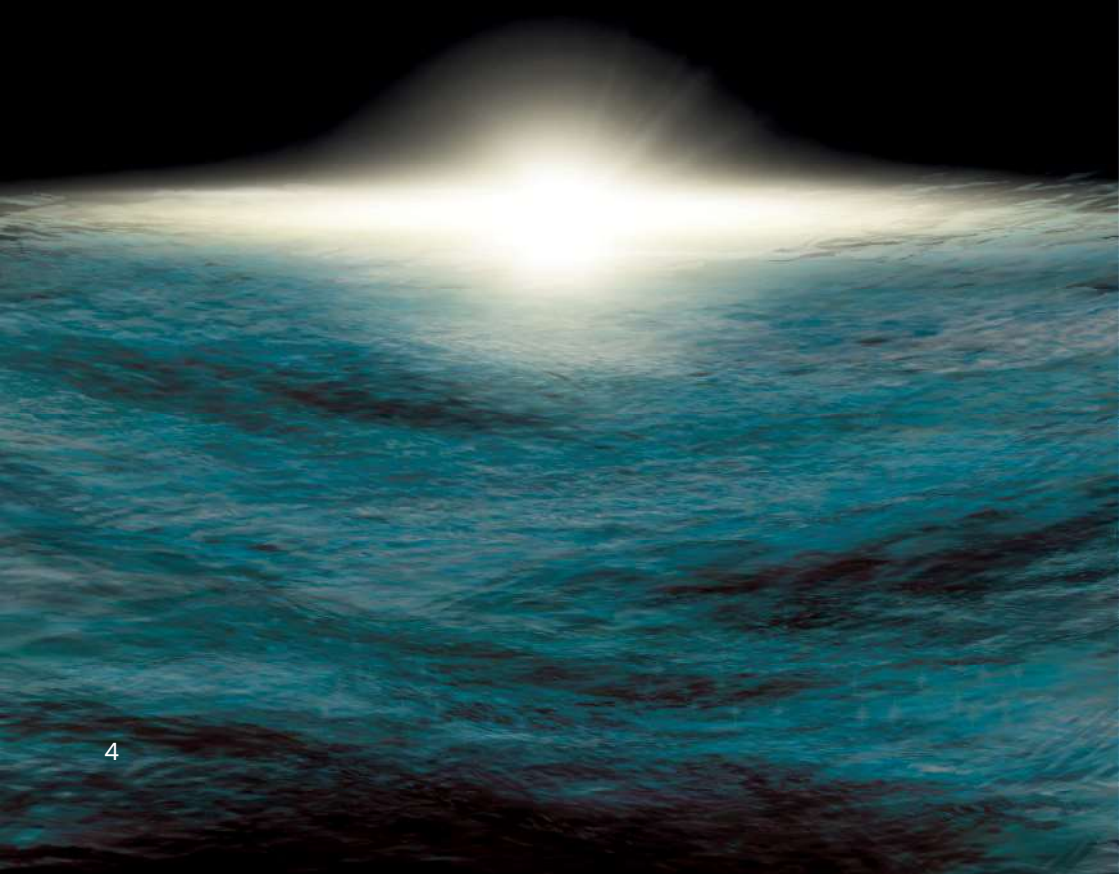
OLD TESTAMENT BIBLE STORY

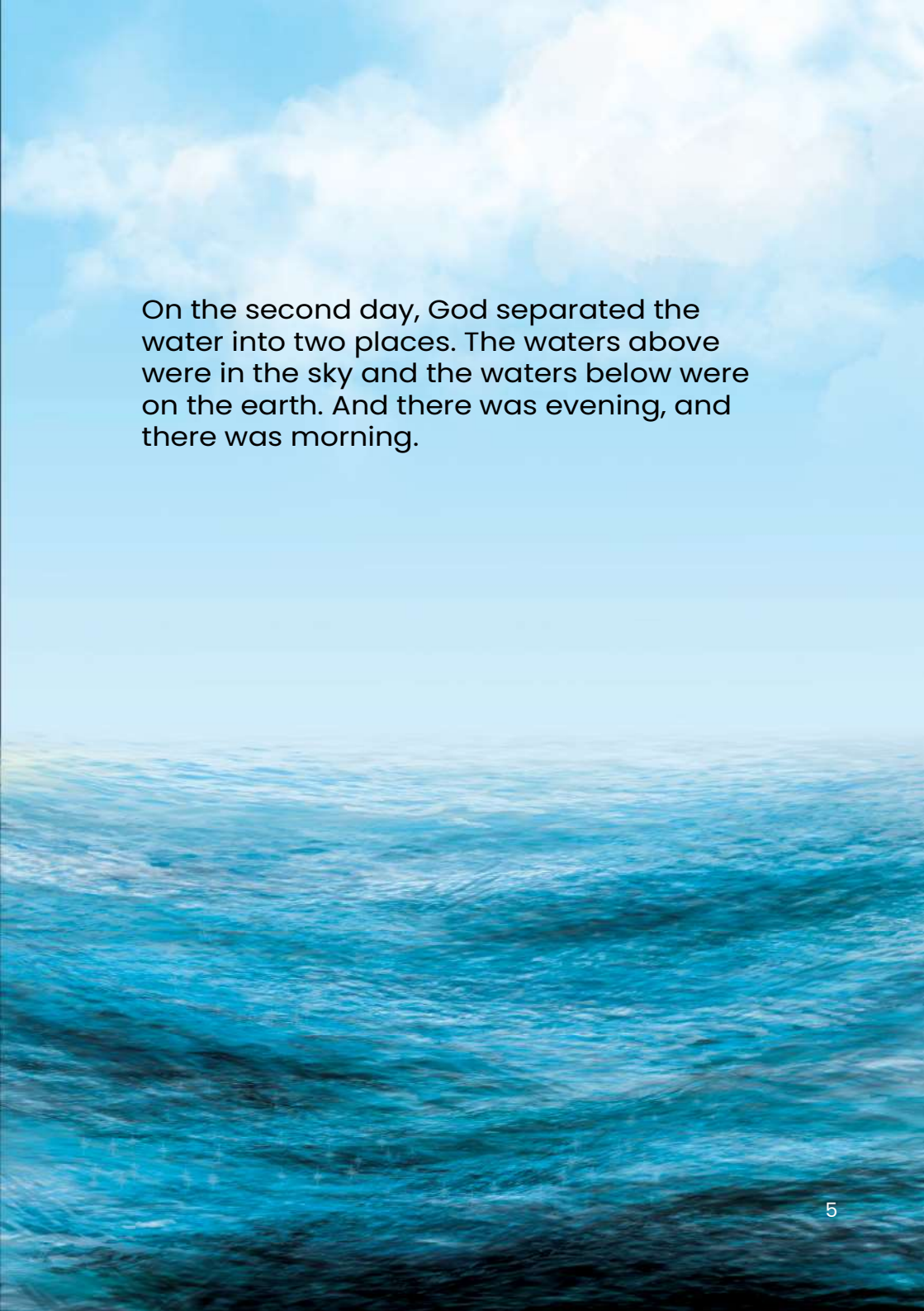
GENESIS 1 and 2

The Creation of the WORLD

In the beginning, on the first day, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was still empty, and darkness was over the surface of the deep. But the Spirit of God was moving, and God said, "Let there be light."

When He saw it, He was pleased. He separated the light from the darkness. And the light was called Day, and the darkness He called Night. And there was evening, and there was morning.





On the second day, God separated the water into two places. The waters above were in the sky and the waters below were on the earth. And there was evening, and there was morning.

On the third day God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." God called the dry land, "earth," and He called the gathering together of the waters, "seas." God saw that it was good.

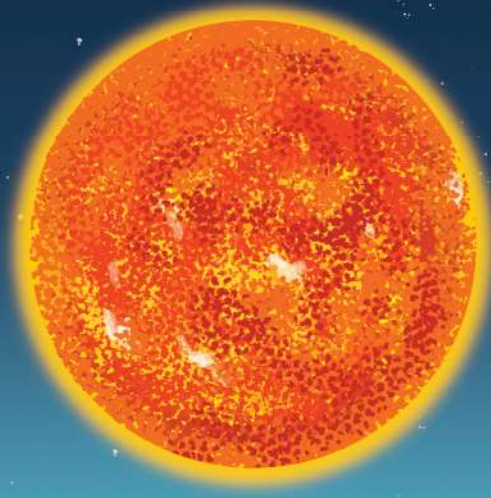
Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth grass, and plants that will make seeds, and trees that will bear fruit," and it was so. So the earth produced all kinds of plants and seeds and fruit and trees. God saw that it was good. The evening came, and the morning followed.





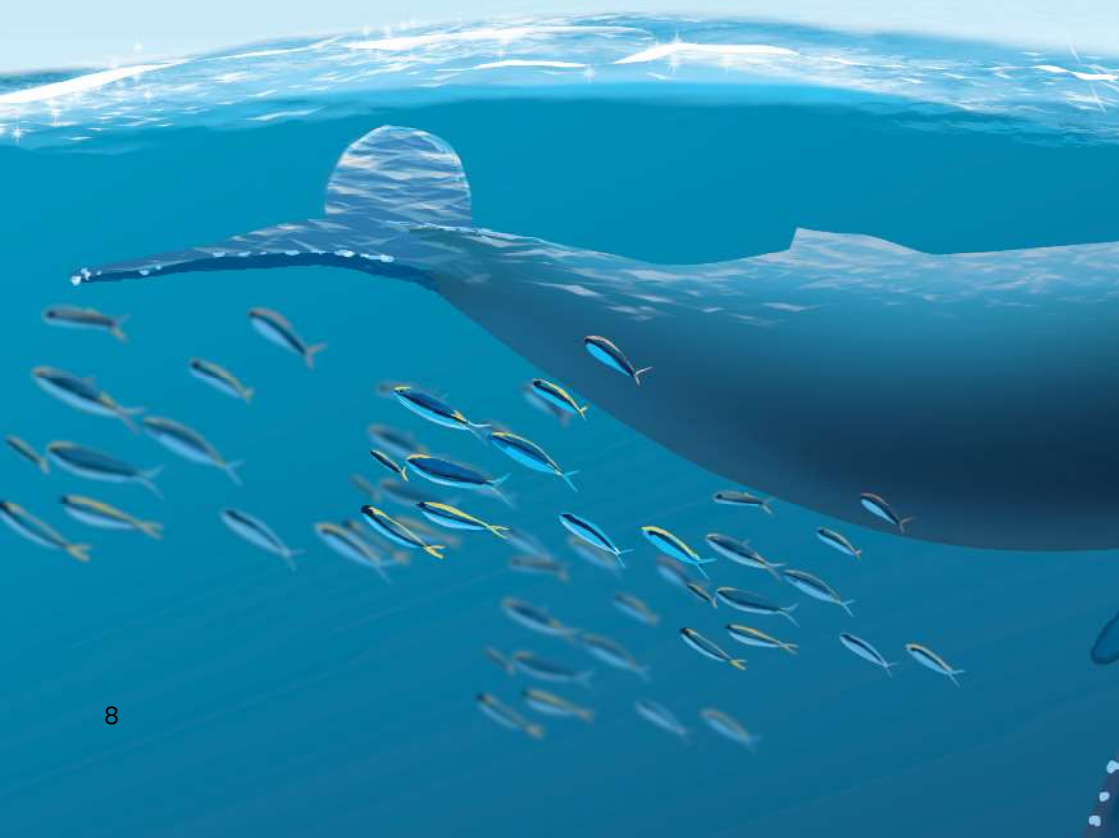
On the fourth day God commanded that there should be lights in the sky to divide the day from the night.

So God made the two great lights: the sun to rule during the day and the moon to rule at night, and He made the stars. God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning.



On the fifth day, God commanded that the waters should bring forth living creatures after their kind, and the sky should be filled with birds.

And God created great whales, and every creature of the sea after their kind, and every bird after its kind, and God saw that it was good. He blessed them all. He told the fish to multiply and fill the sea, and He told the birds to multiply. And there was evening, and there was morning.





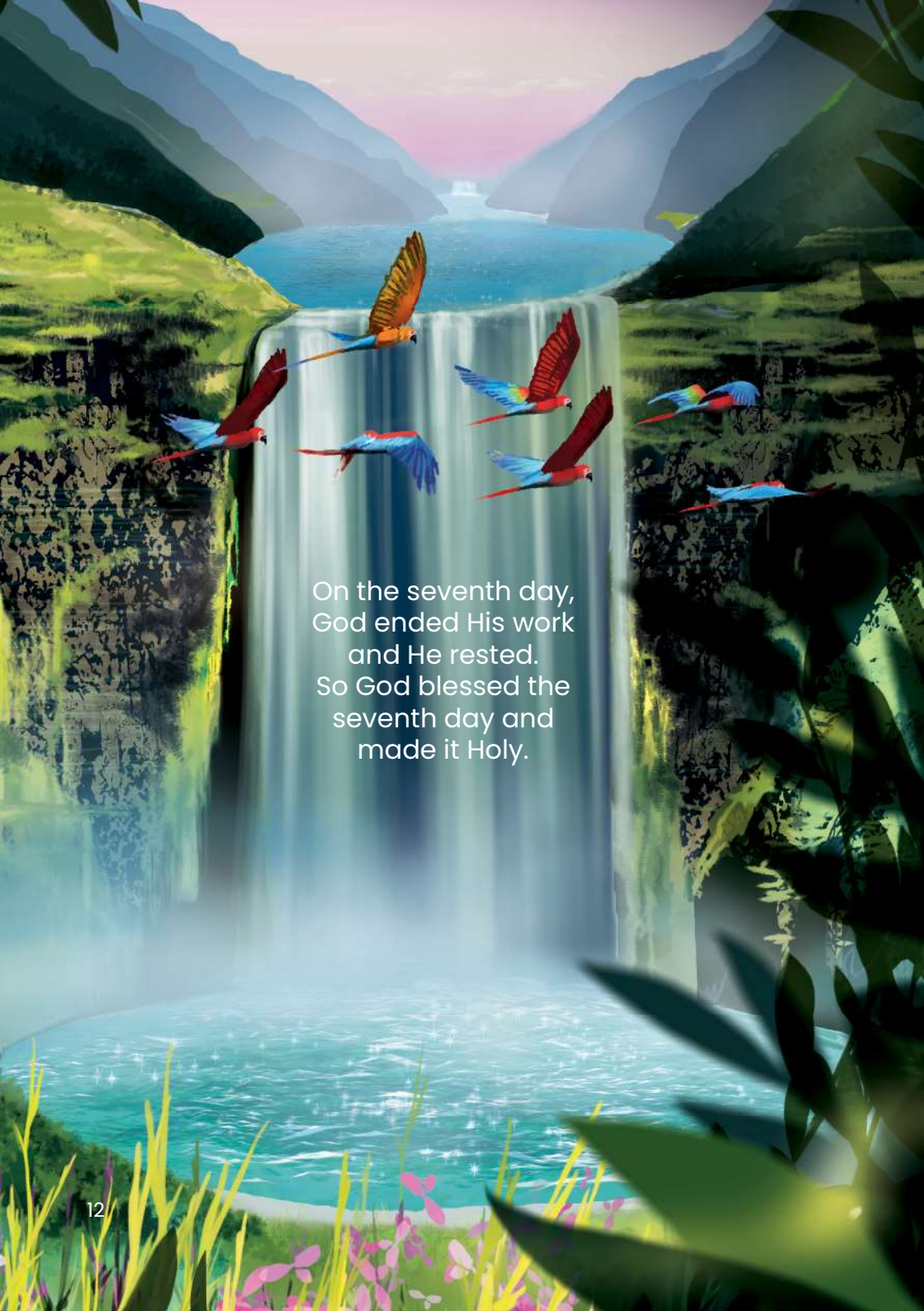


On the sixth day, God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures after their kind: cattle, and creeping things, and beasts of the earth after their kind."

Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, after Our likeness. They will rule over the fish, the birds, the livestock, the wild animals, and everything that creeps on the earth." So God created man in His own image. He made them male and female and blessed them so that they would have many children.

He put man in charge of every living thing on the earth. He gave them the seed-plants and the trees and everything that bears fruit for food. Then He said, "Be fruitful and multiply." God saw that everything He had made was good. The evening came, and the morning followed.





On the seventh day,
God ended His work
and He rested.
So God blessed the
seventh day and
made it Holy.

Prayer

Thank you Lord that You created the heavens and the earth, the animals and people, and that they are all good.

Questions

1. How many days did it take for God to create everything?
2. What did God create on day one?
3. How are day and night different?
4. On which day did God create people?
5. Which fruit created by God do you like?
6. What is your favorite part of God's creation?

Lekgwathi's Diary

Dear Diary,

Day 1: Today, I started to write a diary, just like my mom does. I'm excited! Today was all about a new beginning, it was the start of the new school year.

Day 2: I met some new friends today and they were really nice. I did my homework after school. It wasn't easy but I'm glad it is done. My mom asked me to help her in the house. I don't like housework but I helped her anyway. That made her happy.

Day 3: I watered the trees and vegetables at school today. I like being outside. At home I watered the orange trees and peach trees. They shelter me from the hot sun and I love their fruit!

Day 4: Today after school I watched a nature show about animals. I love plants and animals and I learned a lot. I thank God for plants and animals.



Day 5: Today when I got home from school, I fed the chickens. We have a lot of chickens and they give us eggs and meat. The dogs get the bones and meat from my leftovers.

Day 6: Today I went to the fields to look after our cattle while my mother washed my clothes. I like being in the fields. I like collecting bugs and plants so I can learn about them. The teacher said I can bring some of them to school to help other children learn about them too.

Day 7: Today, I took a break to rest. I went to church with my parents, and saw my friends. My parents asked me what I learned at church. After dinner my parents helped me with my school work.

I'm excited to keep writing in my diary. Each day is like a new chapter, and I can't wait to see what happens next.



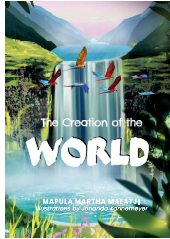
Prayer

Dear God, thank You for the earth and the things You created. Thank You for animals and nature, for my family and for looking after all of us.

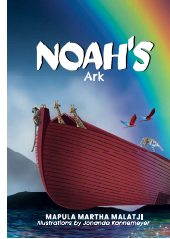
Questions

1. What did Lekgwathi do on the first day in his diary?
2. What does Lekgwathi like to do?
3. What did Lekgwathi do on the seventh day?
4. Do Lekgwathi's parents go to church?
5. Discuss the idea of having a daily diary.

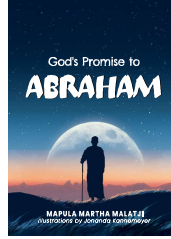
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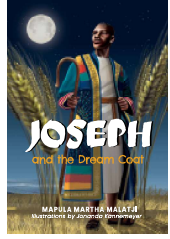
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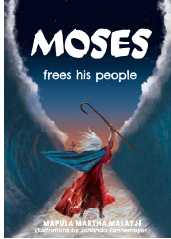
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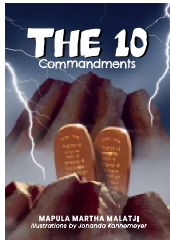
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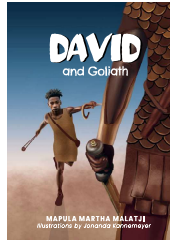
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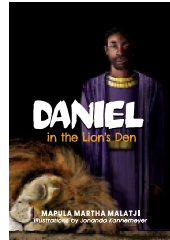
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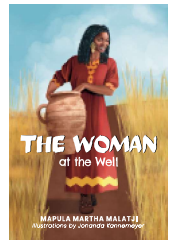
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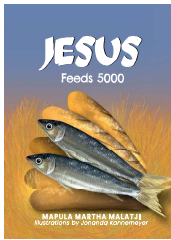
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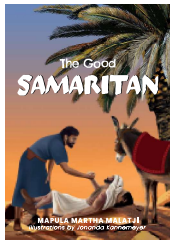
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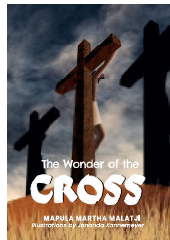
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In this story, we will learn how God created the earth, the sky, all of the big and small creatures and how He created the first man and woman. The Story of The Creation of the World reminds us how amazing God is!

Lekgwathi's Diary

In this story we will learn why Lekgwathi decided to start a diary. We'll learn about the types of things he does at home and at school. We'll also learn about his family, and about his love for nature.



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