

Practice Asking and Answering Questions and Giving Bible References

ASKING AND ANSWERING

Work with a partner. Fill in the chart where words are missing. Then take turns with your partner asking and answering. Practice short answers and long answers.

	Question	Short Answer	Long Answer
1	Who made the earth and the sky?	God.	God made the earth and the sky.
2	When did God make light?	On the first day.	God made light on the first day.
3	When did the dry land appear?	On the third day.	The dry land appeared on the third day.
4	What did God name the dry land?	'Earth'.	God named the dry land 'earth'.
5	When did God make the plants?		God made the plants on the third day.
6	When did God make the lights in the sky?		God made the lights in the sky on the fourth day.
7	When did God make people?		
8	How long did God take to make everything?	Six days.	

UNDERSTANDING BIBLE REFERENCES


People gathered certain books together. We call this collection of books the Bible. The books have different writers. Some books are very long. Some books are very short.

Most of the books of the Bible first appeared in either the Hebrew or the Greek language. Moses wrote the first book of the Bible. He wrote it in the Hebrew language.


People translated the books into other languages so that other people could read the books. And people wanted to talk about the Bible. So they gave names to the books. People who speak English call the first book of the Bible "Genesis". The word 'genesis' means the beginning of being.

People also wanted to point to specific parts in the Bible. So they divided the books into chapters, and they divided the chapters into verses. A verse is a little bit of the Bible maybe a sentence or two. And so in English we can say that the book of Genesis has fifty chapters, and chapter one of Genesis has thirty-one verses.

AN EXAMPLE CONVERSATION ABOUT THE BIBLE AND WHERE EVERYTHING CAME FROM

	Some people say that the earth is our mother.	I don't believe that the earth is our mother.
	Why not?	I believe that God made the earth.
	Why do you think that way?	I see that in the Bible.
	Where do you see that in the Bible?	I see that in the book of Genesis.
	What are those words?	The words are "In the beginning God created the sky and the earth."

BEING MORE SPECIFIC ABOUT WHERE THOSE WORDS ARE IN THE BIBLE

	Where are those words in the book of Genesis?	They are in Genesis chapter one.
	Where exactly are those words in Genesis chapter one?	They are in verse one.
	Can you say the verse for me?	Yes I can. In Genesis chapter one verse one we read, "In the beginning God created the sky and the earth."
	Thank you!	You are welcome!

Extra work for more advanced students: Try a conversation like the one above but start with **Some people say that we should marry according to the star we were born under.**

MORE PRACTICE: FILL IN THE MISSING PARTS OF THE CHART

	Question	Short Answer	Long Answer	Reference Form: Book, Chapter, Verse(s)
1	Who made the earth and the sky?	God.	God made the earth and the sky.	Genesis chapter one verse one.
2	When did God make light?	On the first day.		Genesis chapter one verses three to five.
3	When did the dry land appear?	On the third day.		Genesis chapter one verses nine to thirteen
4	What did God name the dry land?	'Earth'.		Genesis chapter one verse ten.
5			God made the plants on the third day.	Genesis chapter one verses eleven to thirteen
6	When did God make the lights in the sky?			Genesis chapter one verses fourteen to nineteen
7	Why did God make the lights?		God made the lights so people could know the seasons and the days and the years, and so they could have light on the earth.	Genesis chapter one verses fourteen and fifteen
8	When did God make the birds?			
9	Where do the large sea animals live?	In the sea.		
10	Where do the birds fly?			Genesis chapter one verse twenty
11	When did God make people?			
12	How long did God take to make everything?			
13	What did God think about all His work?	It was very good.		Genesis chapter one verse thirty-one
14			God worked on the first six days, but he rested on the seventh.	

GRAMMAR

Make questions from the **statements**:

<p>God created the sky and the earth.</p> <p>If the answer to the question is “God”, then the question is, _____?</p> <p>If the answer to the question is “the sky and the earth”, then the question is, _____?</p>	<p>Jack phoned Bill.</p> <p>If the answer to the question is “Jack”, the question is, _____?</p> <p>If the answer to the question is “Bill”, then the question is, _____?</p>
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