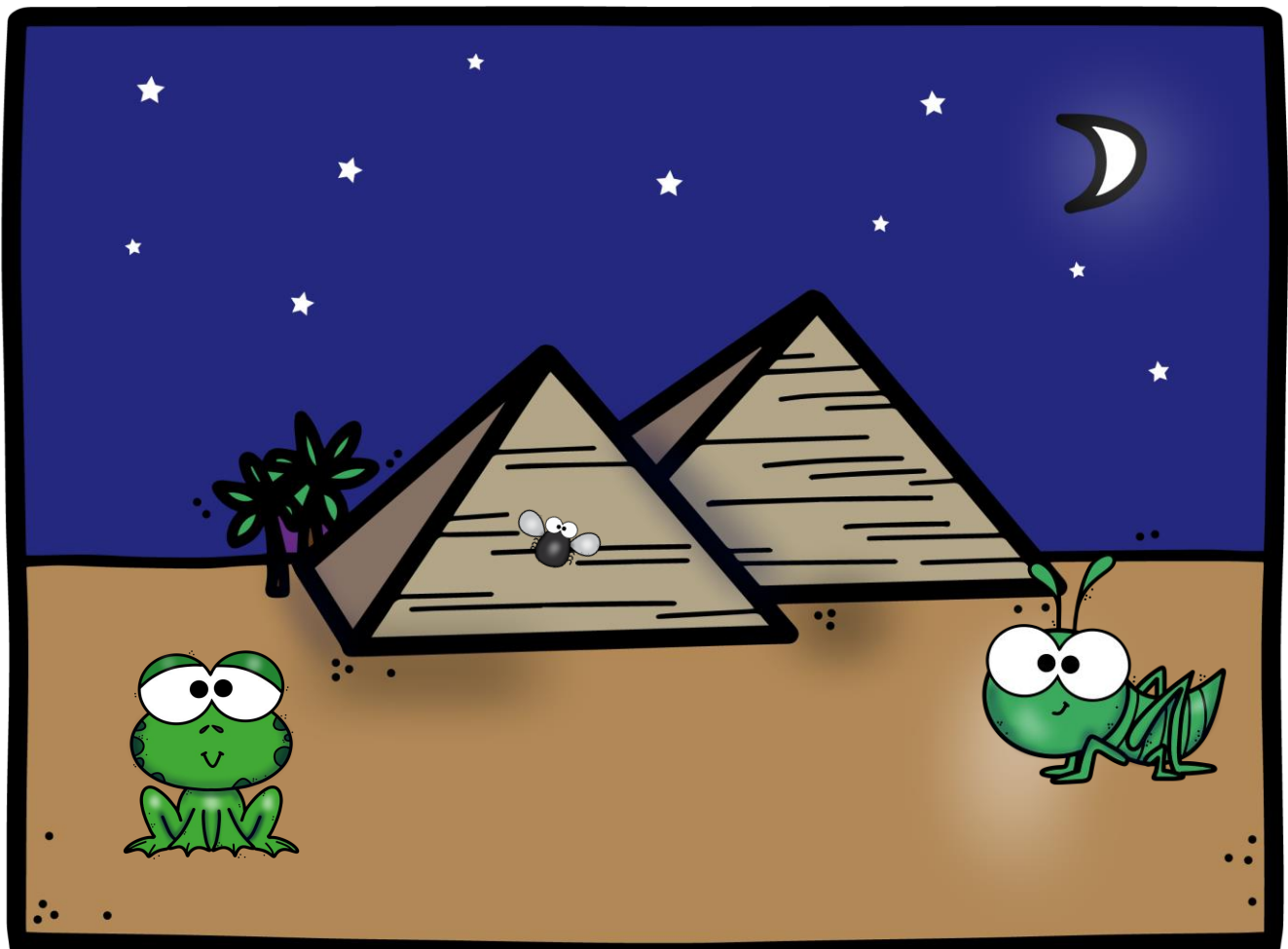


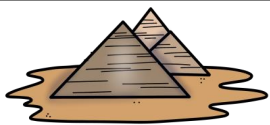
EXPLORING GOD'S WORD

THE TEN

PLAGUES OF EGYPT

A BIBLE LESSON FOR KIDS





The Ten Plagues Of Egypt

This packet was designed to be an easy way to teach foundational Bible stories to kids in first, second, and third grades. Each lesson in this series is structured the same and can be taught in about 30-40 minutes!

Step One: Read or watch the Bible story.

Gather your group and read about the ten plagues of Egypt (Exodus 7:14-11:10) from your children's Bible. It may be split into two or more shorter stories. Read all the applicable stories.

If you would rather watch the story, many animated Bible stories are free on YouTube. Try searching "The Ten Plagues of Egypt Bible Story for Kids" in the YouTube search bar. Be sure to watch it fully before showing it to your class to be sure it's appropriate.

Background Information

What is a Plague?

Another word for "plague" would be disaster. Ten disastrous things happened in Egypt: the Nile turned to blood, frogs, lice, flies, death of livestock, boils, hail, locusts, darkness, and the death of the firstborn.

Why Send Plagues?

The Israelite people had been slaves in Egypt for over 400 years. God heard the cries of His people and sent Moses to Egypt to free the people. Pharaoh's heart was hard, so God sent the plagues to demonstrate His great power. The plagues showed Israel how powerful God was and showed the Egyptians how useless their false gods were.

The Plagues and the False Gods

The Egyptians worshiped many gods, and each plague was specifically against these false gods. For instance, turning the Nile into blood proved that the god of the Nile and the guardian of the Nile were useless. Darkness over the land proved that the sun god was powerless.

Many of the Egyptian gods had the heads of animals. For instance, there was a goddess who had the head of a frog. The plague of frogs proved the frog-goddess was powerless.

Did the Plagues Affect the Israelites?

Some plagues affected everyone, like the Nile turning into blood and the smell of all the dead frogs. God protected the Israelites from some of the plagues. For instance, the Israelite's homes still had light when darkness covered Egypt. When the hail and locusts came, nothing in the Israelites' land was damaged. When the firstborn sons were killed, the Israelites were protected by the blood of the lamb.

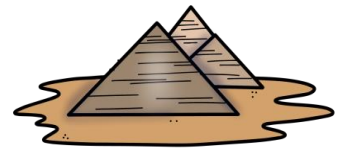
The Significance of the Sacrificial Lamb and Passover

This event clearly points to Jesus. Jesus is often called the Lamb of God. Jesus came to earth to live a perfect life to become the sacrificial lamb and die on the cross for our sins.

Before the tenth plague, God instructed the Israelites to take refuge in a home marked with the blood of a perfect lamb. The angel of death would pass over that house, and the people inside would be safe.

In this story, the blood of the lamb saved the Israelite children from death. God's much bigger plan for humanity would have the blood of the Lamb of God save *all* people from death.

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Step Two: Explore the story.

After reading or watching the story, use the retell the story worksheet to retell the main parts of today's story. This can be done individually or in small groups. Don't want to print it out? Try mapping out the story together on a piece of large paper or a whiteboard.

The Ten Plagues: Quickly map out the 3 main parts of the story.

1. Moses talks to Pharaoh, but Pharaoh refuses to let the people go
2. God sends ten plagues
3. Pharaoh finally lets the people go

Then, talk through the discussion questions as a group.

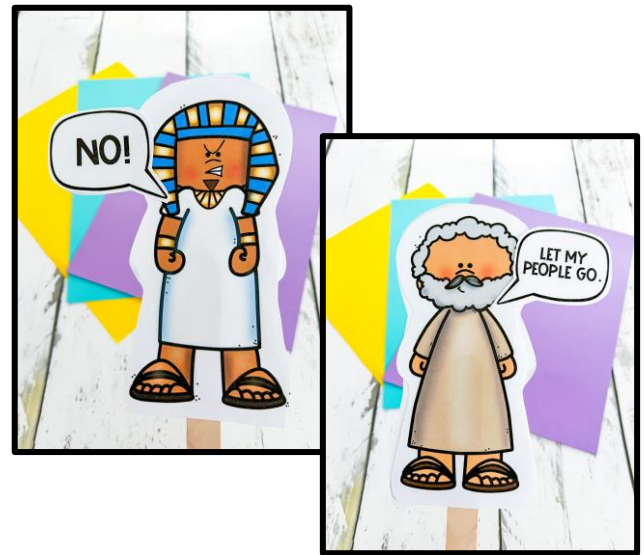
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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS	
QUESTION #1 Why did the Israelites need to be rescued?	QUESTION #2 Which plague did God send? Did any survive? Why?
QUESTION #3 How would you feel as one of the Egyptians going through the plagues? How would you feel as one of the Israelites watching the Egyptians go through the plagues?	QUESTION #4 What happened when Pharaoh finally changed his mind?

Step Three: Do the crafts.

Moses and Pharaoh Puppet

Use the template provided to create a simple popsicle stick puppet. One side of the puppet shows Moses saying, "Let my people go," and the other shows Pharaoh replying, "No!"

- Color Moses and Pharaoh and cut them both out loosely (leaving a bit of space around each)
- Cut out both speech bubbles
- Glue a popsicle stick to the back of Moses, glue Pharaoh to the other side, and add the speech bubbles.



The Ten Plagues Story Spinner

Before your lesson begins, print both pieces of the story spinner on heavy (cardstock) paper. Gather paper fasteners, coloring supplies, and scissors.

Choose which version of the story spinner you'd like to complete. [Version one is blank](#) and gives students space to add each plague in the bottom wedges. [Version two](#) shows a picture of each plague.

- Give each student both pieces of the story spinner and allow time to color both pieces. If using version two, kids will need time to draw the ten plagues.
- With an adult's help, add a fastener to attach the pieces together. It should now spin in a circle and show the ten plagues in order.



Step Four: Finish with the take-home worksheet.

The 'Ten Plagues of Egypt' coloring page is the perfect way to wrap up the lesson and create a take-home page that includes caregivers in what you have learned. Kids will color a picture, write down their memory verse, and add the key takeaway (a "big idea") from the story.

Memory verse suggestion from the story:

The Lord brought us out of Egypt with his mighty hand." Exodus 13:16b

Big idea suggestion: God rescues His people.

CREATING THE SPINNER



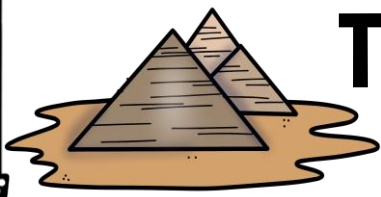
Step One

Color both pieces and cut them out. Be sure to remove the piece that says, 'cut out this part'.



Step Two

Place the two pieces on top of each other. Make a small hole in the middle of the center circle. Attach the pieces together with a paper fastener.



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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

QUESTION #1

Why did the Israelites need to be rescued?

QUESTION #2

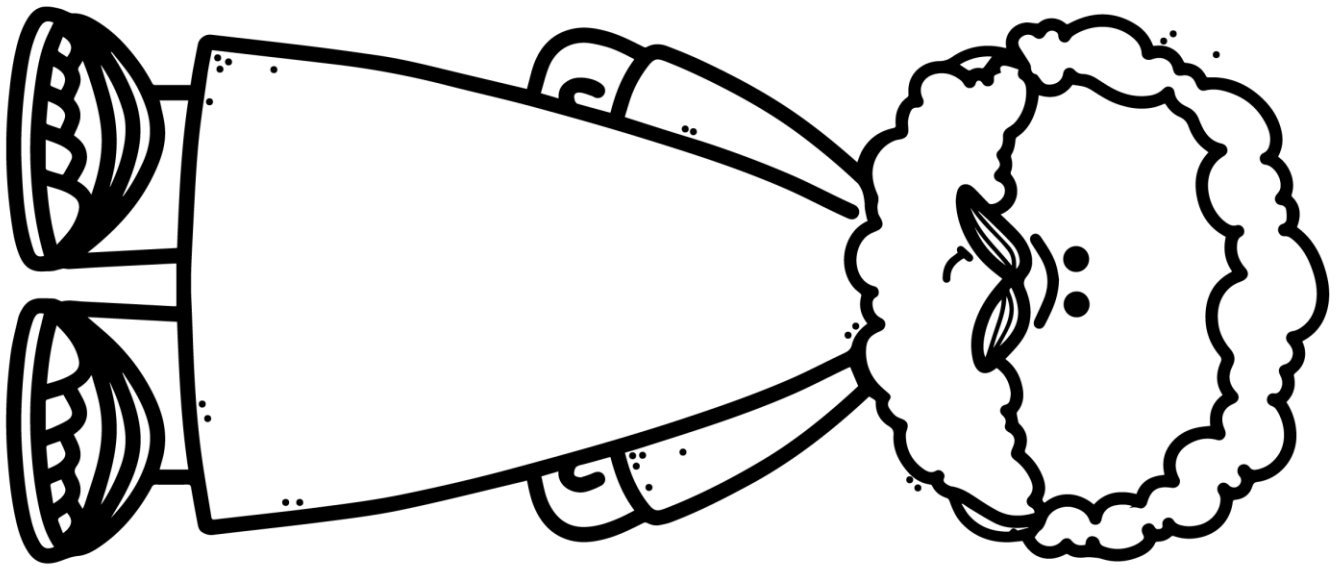
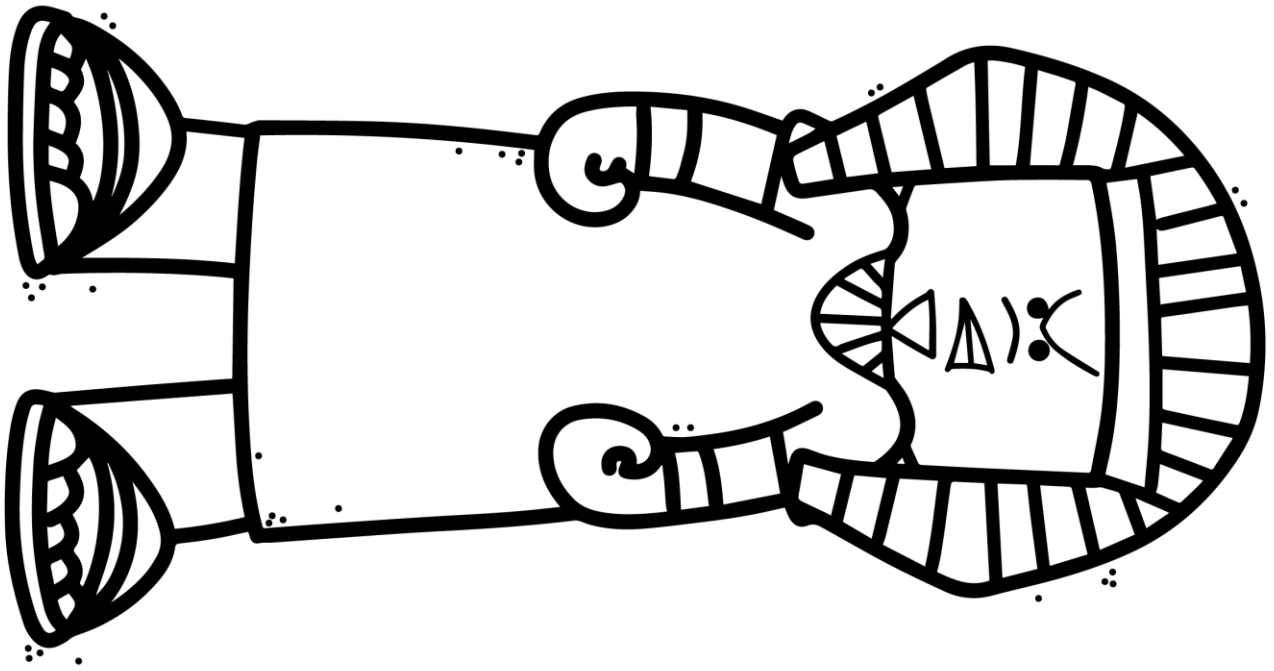
Which plagues did God send?
Did any surprise you? Why?

QUESTION #3

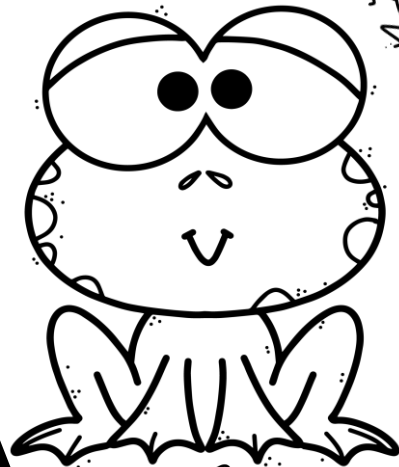
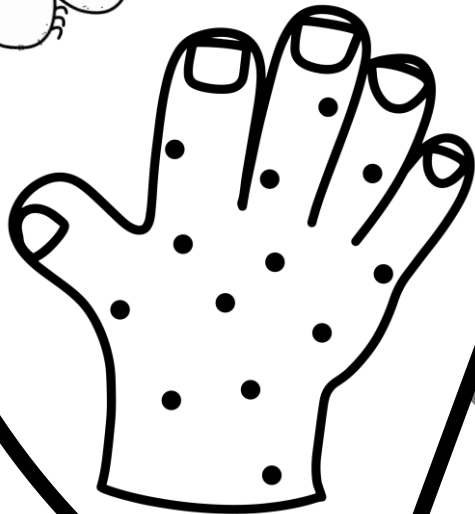
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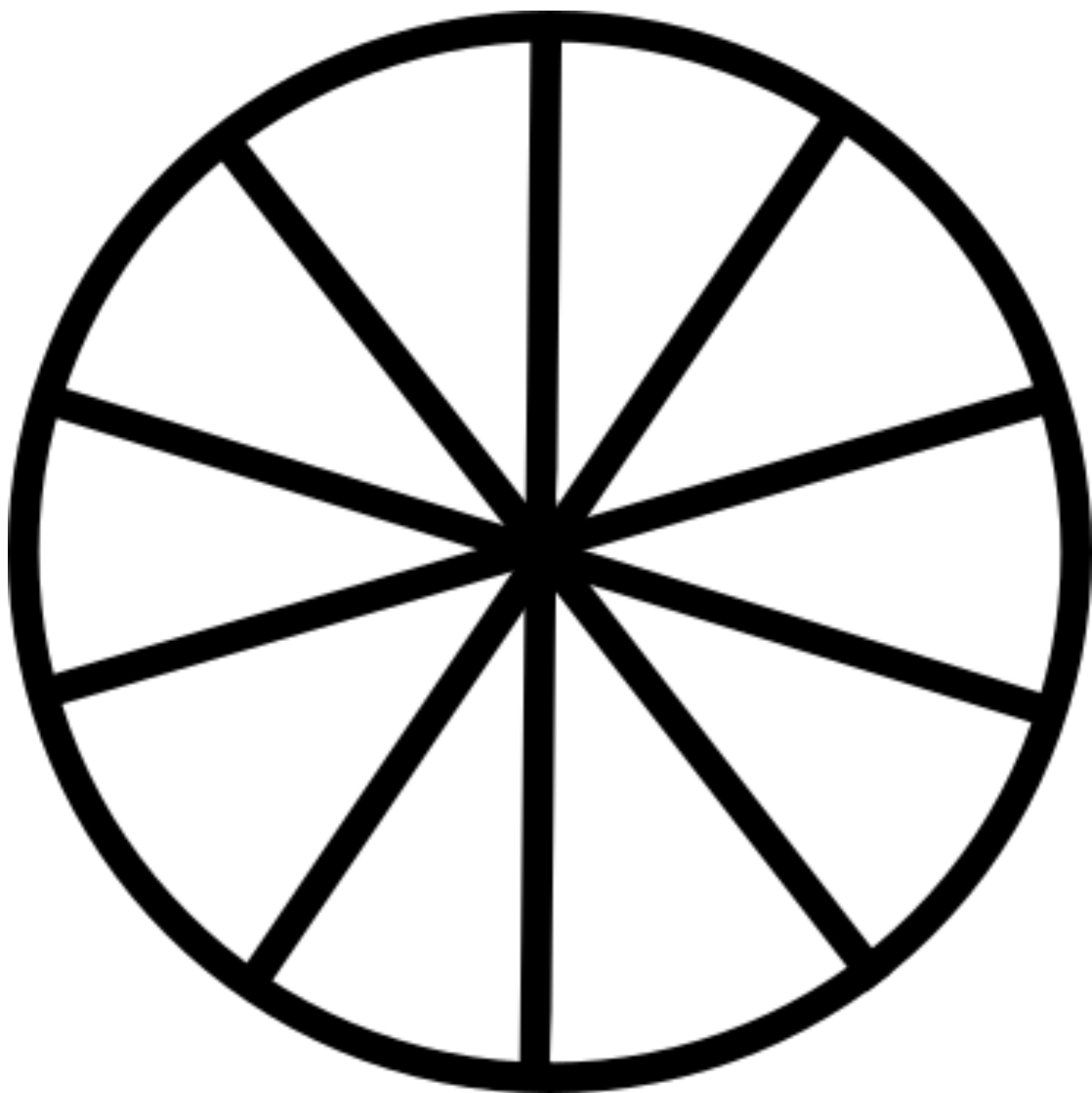
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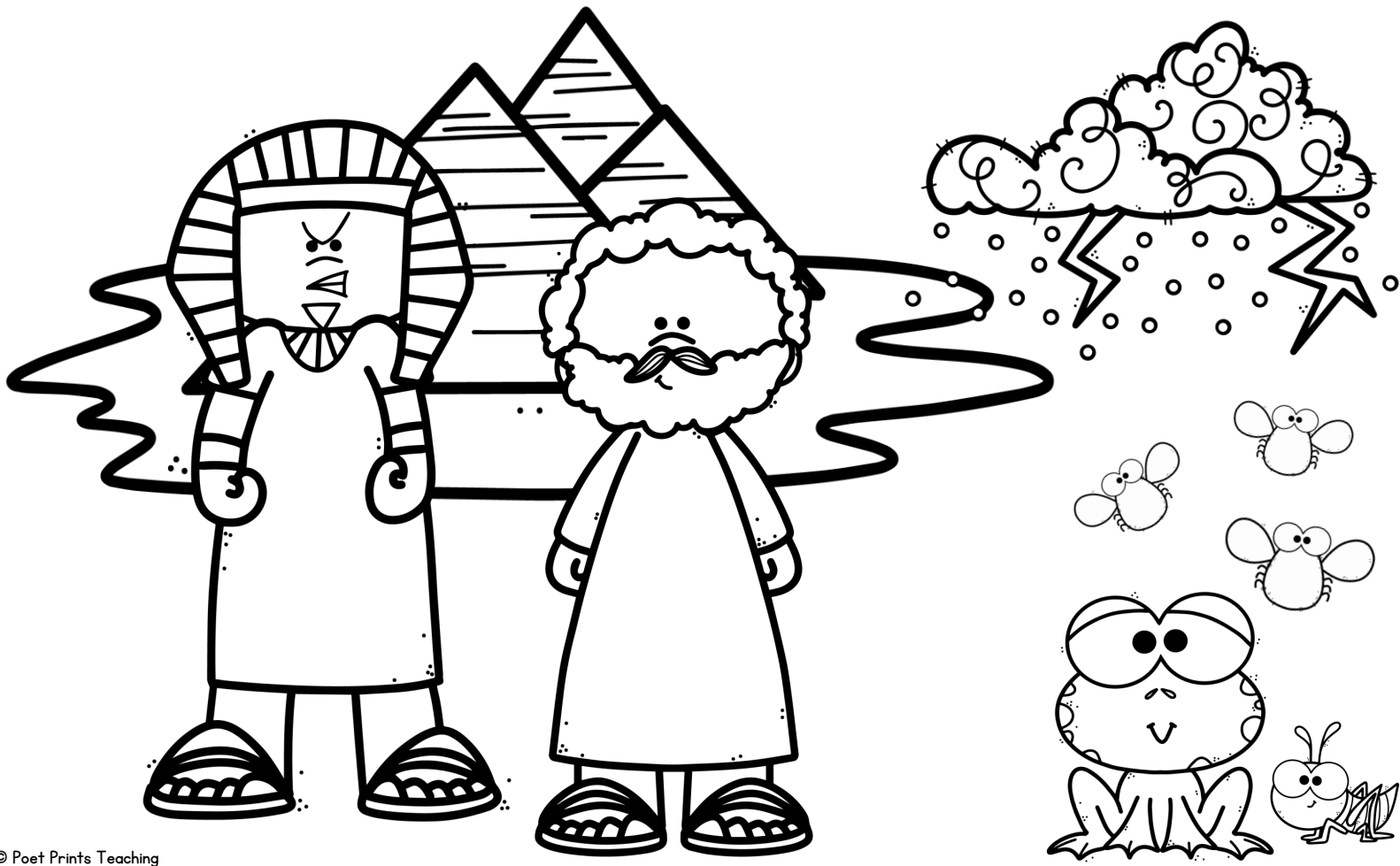
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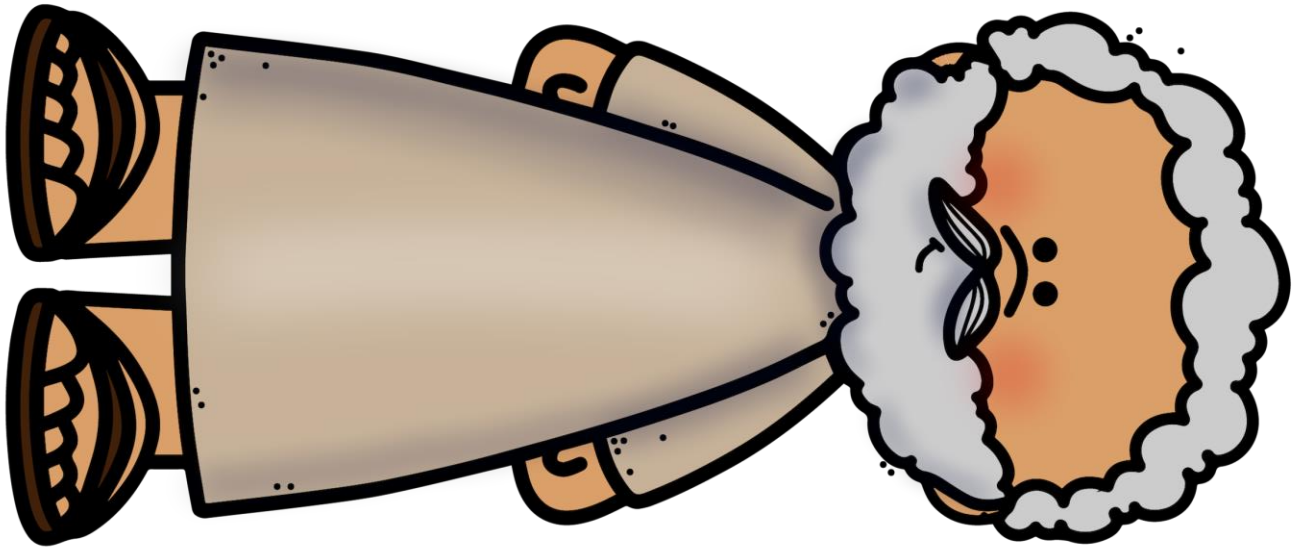
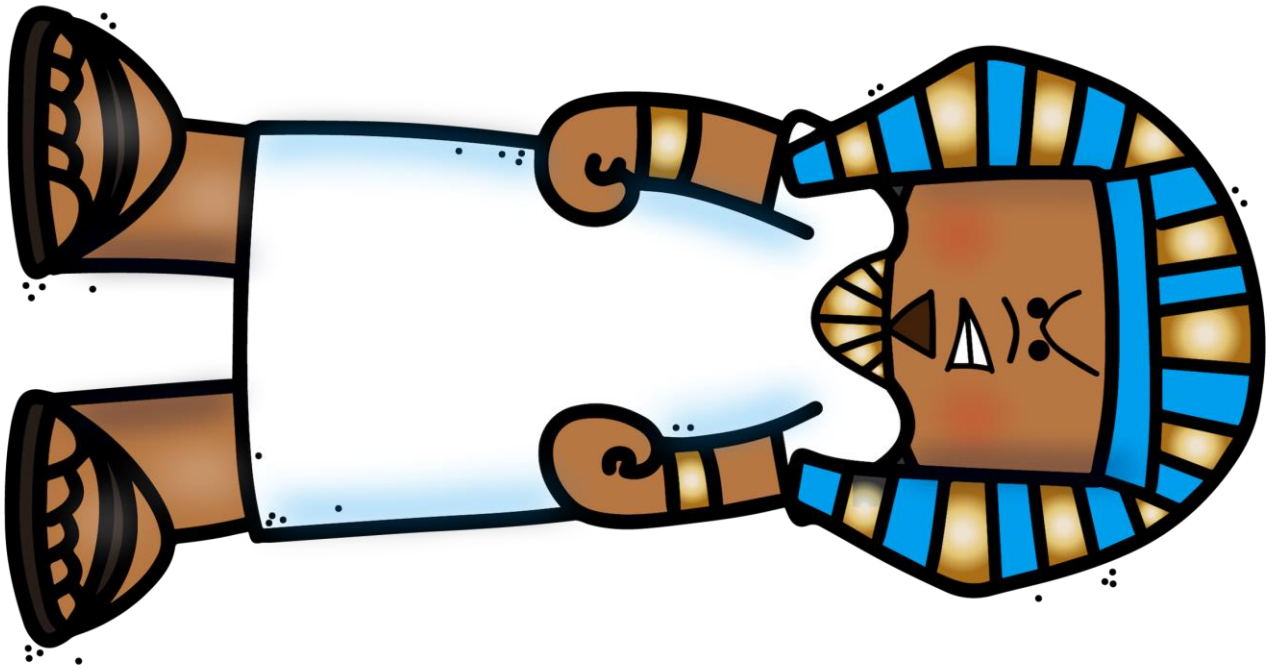


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MEMORIZE THIS:

THE BIG IDEA

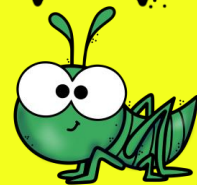
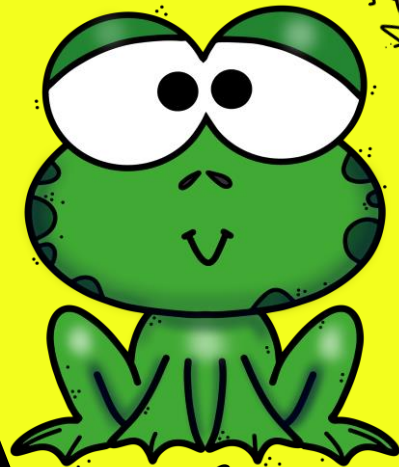
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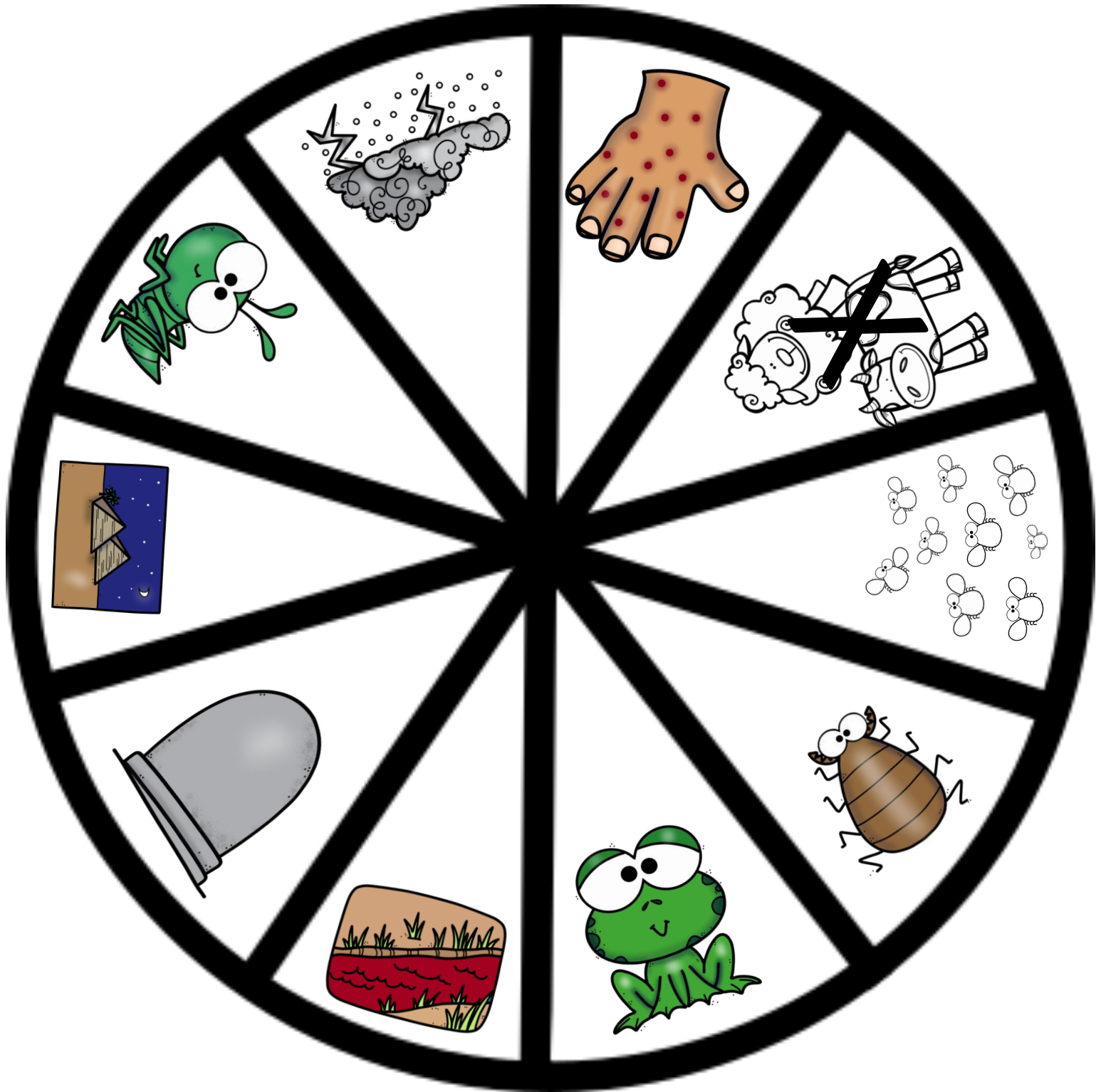
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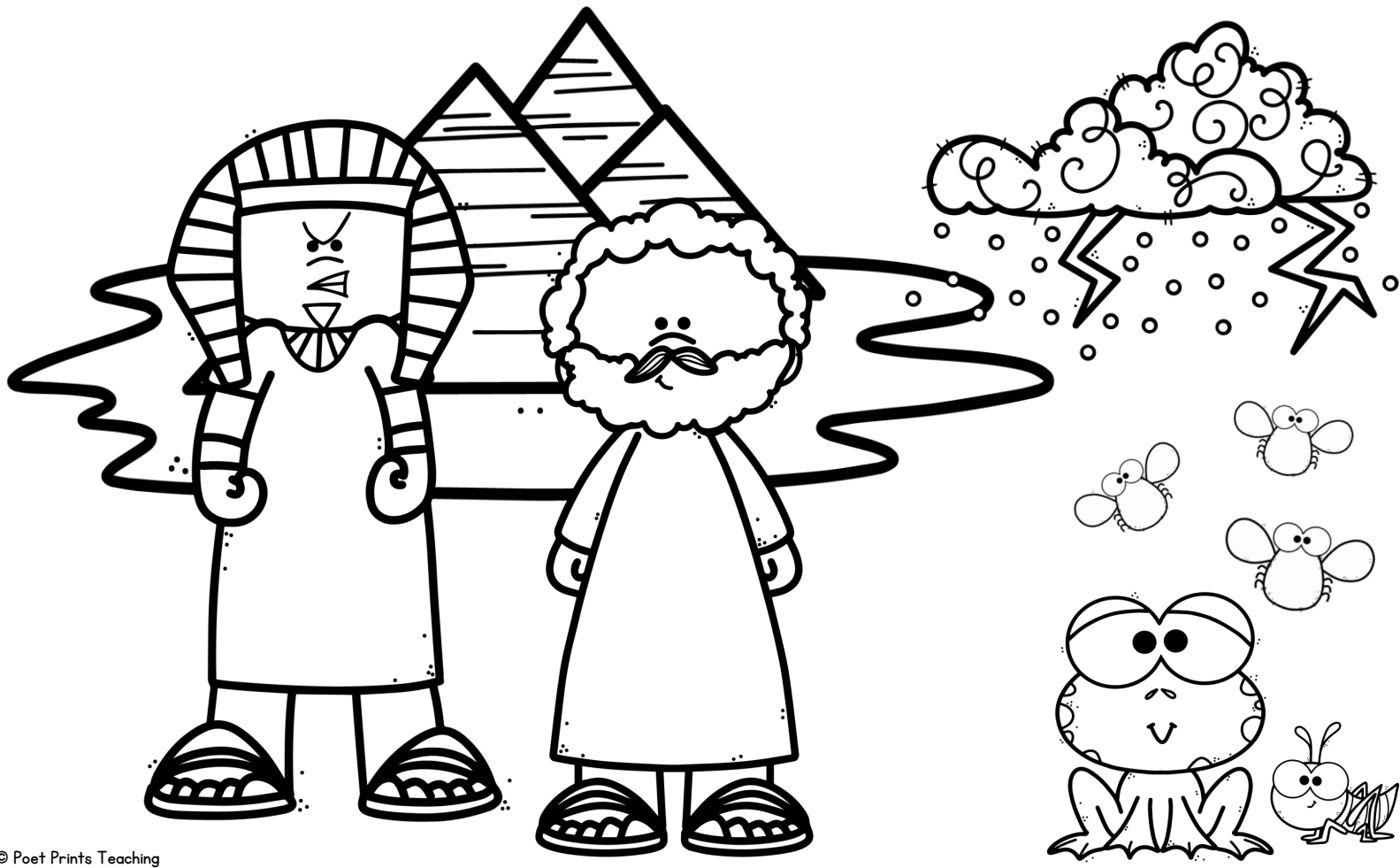
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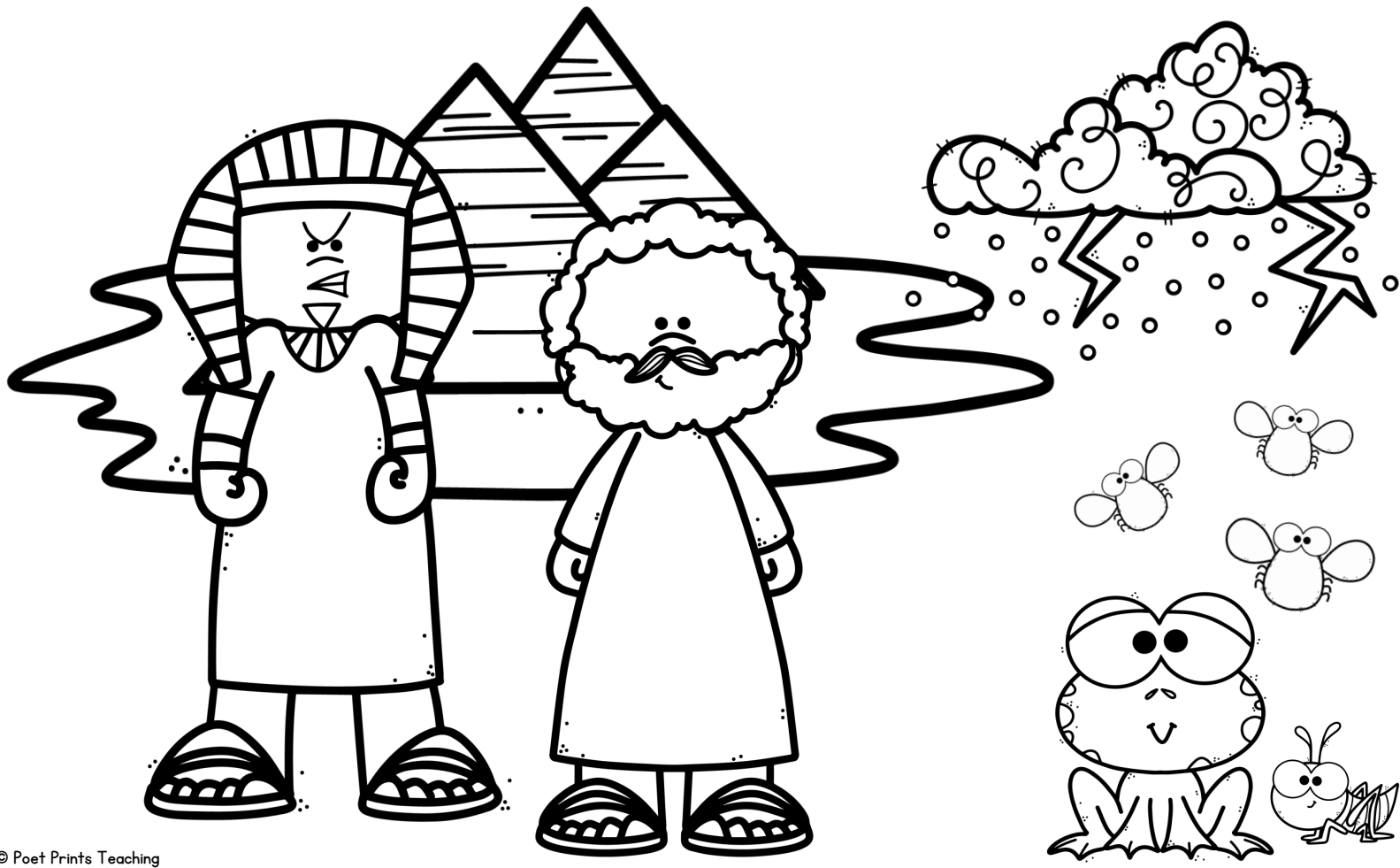
Exodus 13:16b NIV

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of hand the Lord
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Exodus 13:16b KJV

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