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We love the story of God's provision for the Israelites in the desert because God proves that He is always faithful, even when we aren't thankful. The Israelites complained and Moses got trustrated with them, but God is always patient and loves us no matter what What are you thankful for?



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God Provides in Crazy Ways!

God had just led the entire nation of Israel out of slavery in Egypt. They were now safe in the desert east of Egypt, and Moses was the man God chose to lead the people. Exodus 12:37 says there were 600,000 men, plus women and children! That's a great army, and a lot of hungry stomachs.

The Israelites began to complain to Moses. They were hungry, but where would they get food for so many people in the desert? Moses had no way to solve this problem on his own, so he made a smart move—he gave the problem to God.

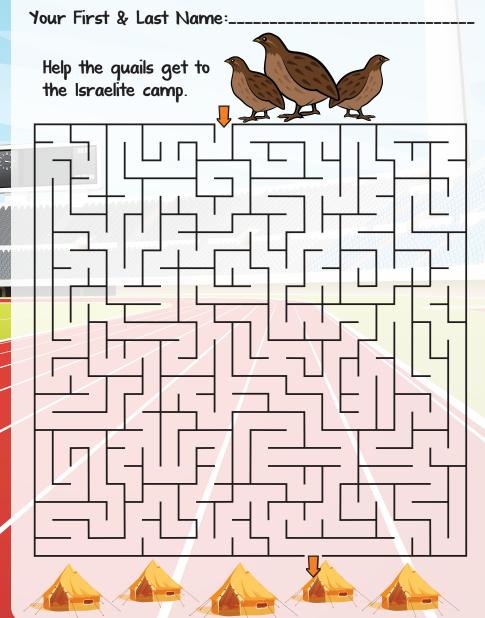
God said, "Look, I'm going to rain down food from heaven for you. Each day the people can go out and pick up as much food as they need for that day."

God wants us to know that He really can do what He promises! He didn't just make a big promise to keep the Israelites happy for a little while. Sometimes God made impossible promises to show us that He can do impossible things, even making food fall from the sky!



Tear-Out Retivity Pages

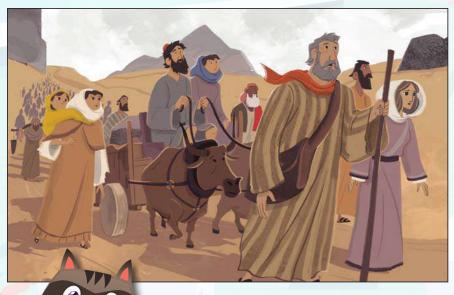
Use your Trailbook or Bible to help you complete the activities. Then tear this section out and send it back to us in the envelope we included to earn a Harvey mail sticker!



Spot The Differences

Look up Exodus 17:1-7 to read about how God gave the Israelites water in the desert. Then see if you can spot all 13 differences between the two pictures.





Exodus 14:14
"The Lord himself will fight for you."

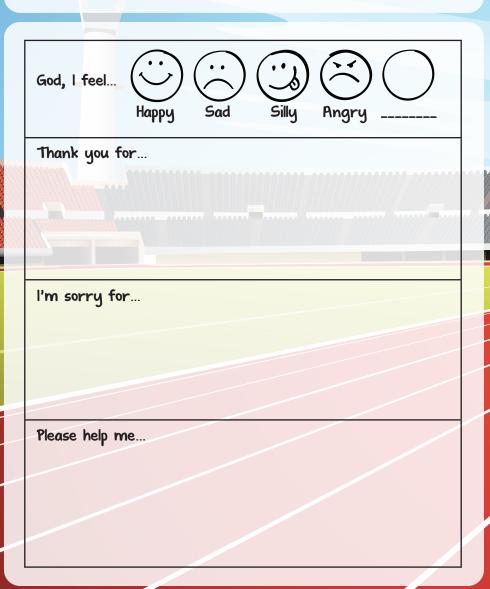
Top Secret Message

Look up Exodus 12:40 in your Trailbook or Bible. The Israelites lived among the Egyptians for a long time and might have known their writing system, called hieroglyphs! Translate the verse below to learn how long the Israelites lived in Egypt!



Talk to God

God wants you to take your problems to Him, just like Moses did! Moses was a great leader, not because of his own talents, but because He trusted God with everything! It's important to share your feelings with God, thank Him for the things He's done for you, and ask Him for help when you need it. He loves you!



God Kept His Promises...

God did exactly what He said He would do. He caused huge amounts of quail (a type of bird) to fly into the Israelites' camp for food. The next morning (and every morning for the rest of the Israelites' time in the desert), God sent a special white, flaky bread-like food called "manna" for the Israelites to eat.

Read the full story in Exodus 16

"Manna" is Hebrew for the words
"What is it?" because it was a
strange, flaky substance that no one
had ever seen or tasted before!

...Including Water Trom a Rock!

God continued to rain manna from the sky every morning, even when the Israelite camp moved from place to place. But because the Israelites got used to God's provision for their needs, they forgot to be thankful. At another campsite, there was no water, and the people complained to Moses again! Moses took the problem to God. God told him to take his staff and strike a mountain rock while the people watched. Moses struck the rock, and water gushed out for the people to drink!

> Read the full story in Exactus 174-7