

**Year 1**

**Week 27**

## **Joseph's Brothers Visit Egypt**

**Scriptures: Genesis 42**

**Key Verse: Genesis 42:6 Now Joseph was governor over the land; and it was he who sold grain to all the people of the land. And Joseph's brothers came and bowed down before him with their faces to the earth.**

### **Key Points:**

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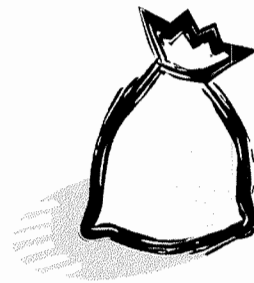
2. Joseph was governor of the land so the brothers had to go to him to buy their grain. They bowed down before him, just as was as prophesied in Joseph's dreams.

3. Joseph recognized his brothers, but they did not recognize him. He accused them of being spies and put them in prison 3 days. On the third day, in order to prove they were not spies, Joseph made them go back to their father and bring Benjamin to Egypt when they returned. Simeon had to remain there in prison.

4. Joseph had their sacks filled with grain, also returning their money in their sacks as well. On their journey home, the brothers discovered the money and were fearful of what that might mean.

5. They returned to their father and told him all that had happened. Jacob grieved that Joseph was dead, Simeon was in prison and now they wanted to take Benjamin. Jacob said that they would not return to Egypt, however, their grain did run out.

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Genesis 42  
Joseph's Brothers Visit in Egypt



**Genesis 42:6**

Now Joseph was governor over the land; and it was he who sold to all the people of the land. And Joseph's brothers came and bowed down before him with their faces to the earth. (NKJV)

"The king put Joseph in charge of all of Egypt"  
(Genesis 41:43).



Joseph

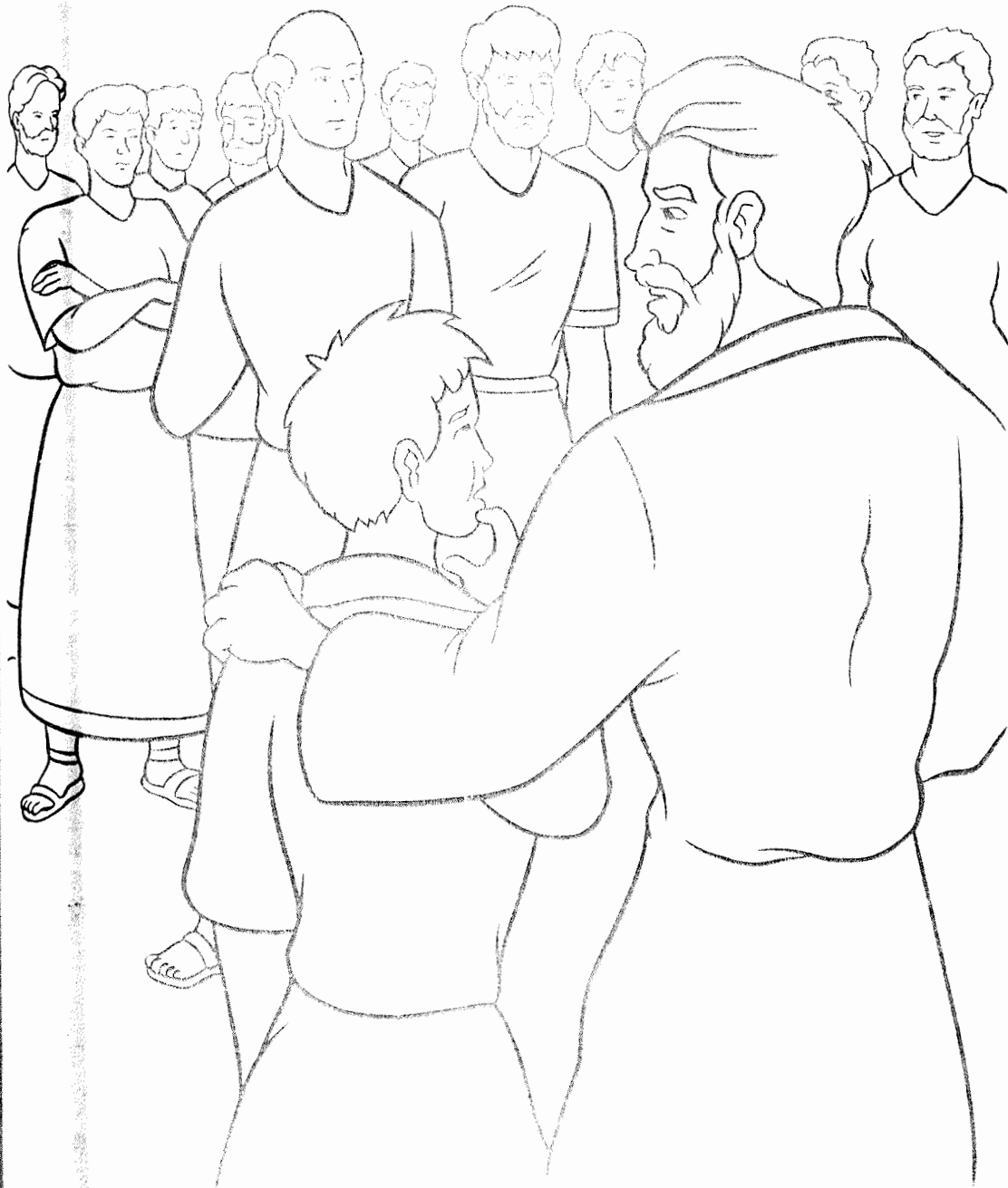


Pharaoh put Joseph in charge of storing food for the years of famine.  
In power, Joseph was second only to Pharaoh.

*Genesis 41:37-45*

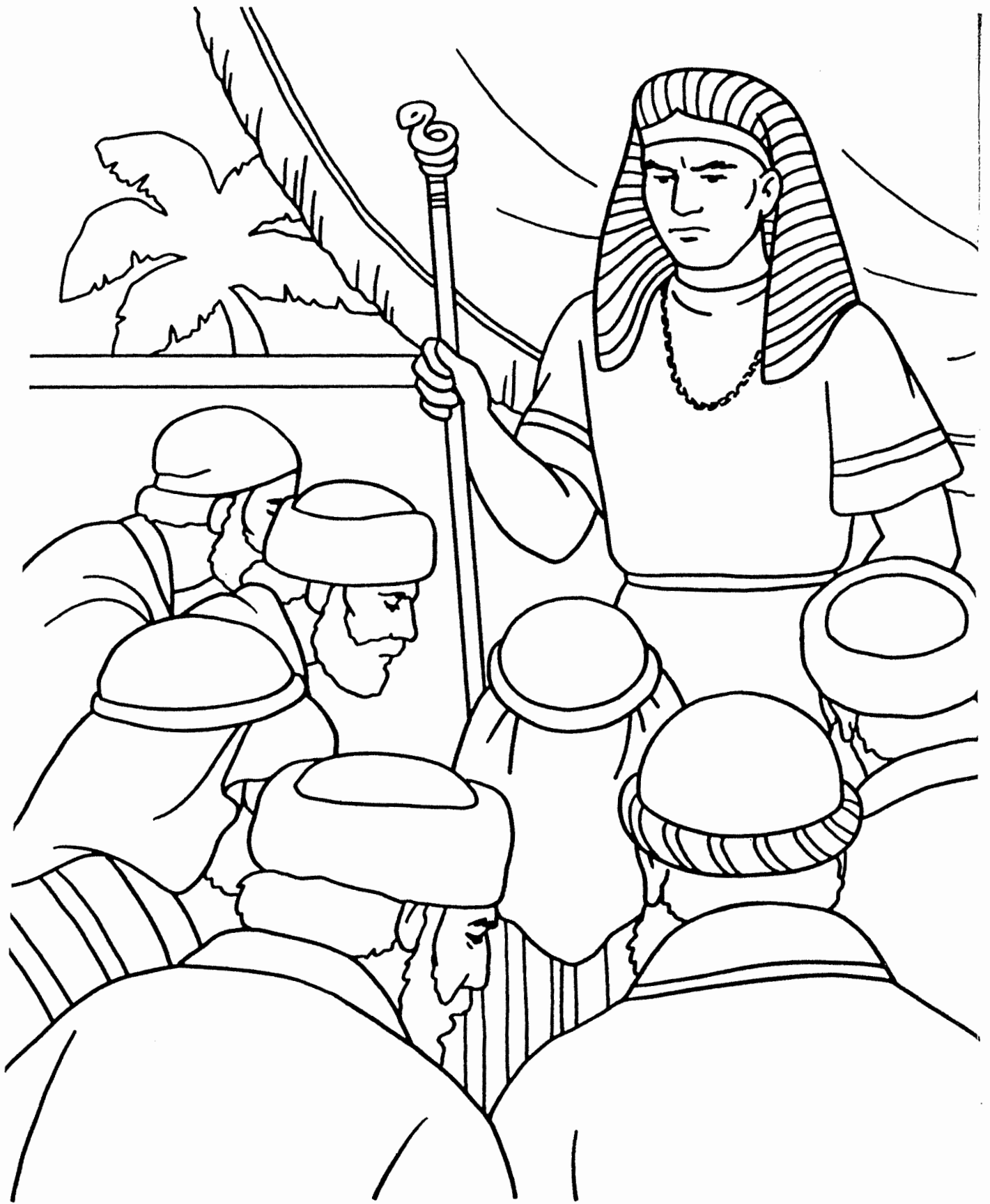


Joseph's Best Work  
Genesis 37, 39, 41



Jacob sent ten of his sons to Egypt to buy grain. He kept his youngest son, Benjamin, home with him.





Joseph's older brothers came to Egypt to buy food. They bowed down to Joseph, not knowing who he was.

*Genesis 42:1-6*



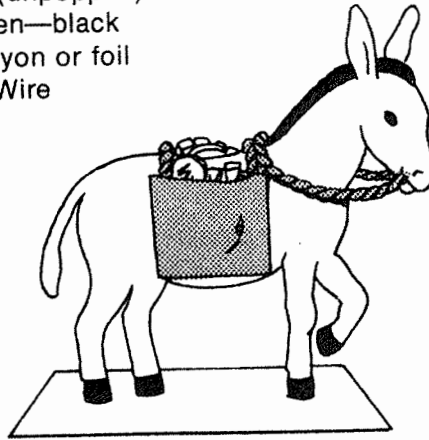


# Joseph Is Kind to His Brothers

Genesis 42

## Materials needed:

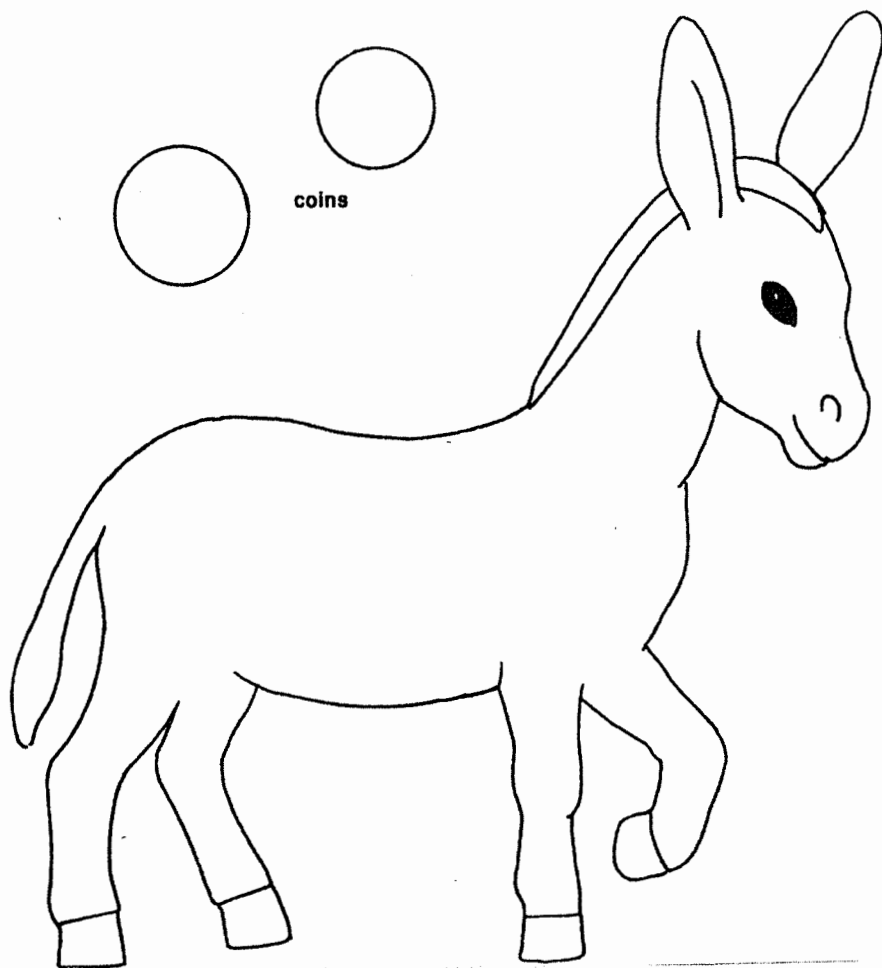
Construction paper—gray or brown, and contrasting color  
Cardboard or tagboard  
Popcorn (unpopped)  
Felt-tip pen—black  
Silver crayon or foil  
Chenille Wire  
Yarn  
Glue



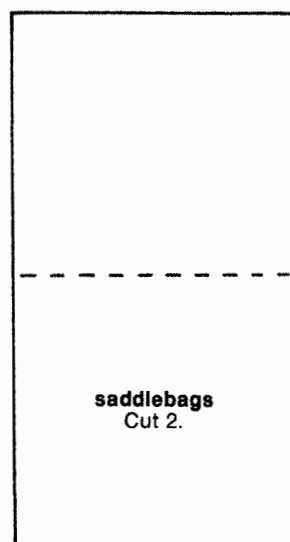
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## Directions:

Using donkey pattern (page 23), cut two donkeys out of gray or brown construction paper. Draw details with black felt-tip pen. Glue figures together, inserting one 3-inch piece of chenille wire in front and one piece in back legs. Leave 1-inch ends of wire below feet. Cut two bases,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches by  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches. Punch holes to match with feet and insert chenille wire ends in holes, bending wires in opposite directions. Glue other base on bottom, over exposed wires. Cut two saddlebags from contrasting shade of paper. Fold and glue on sides, inserting small pieces of yarn in seams to connect bags. Place saddlebags over donkey's back and add glue beneath yarn. Cut coins from cardboard or tagboard and color with silver crayon, or cover with foil. Put corn and coins in saddlebags. Cut 6 inches of yarn and tie ends together. Cut a slit for donkey's mouth and insert yarn rein.



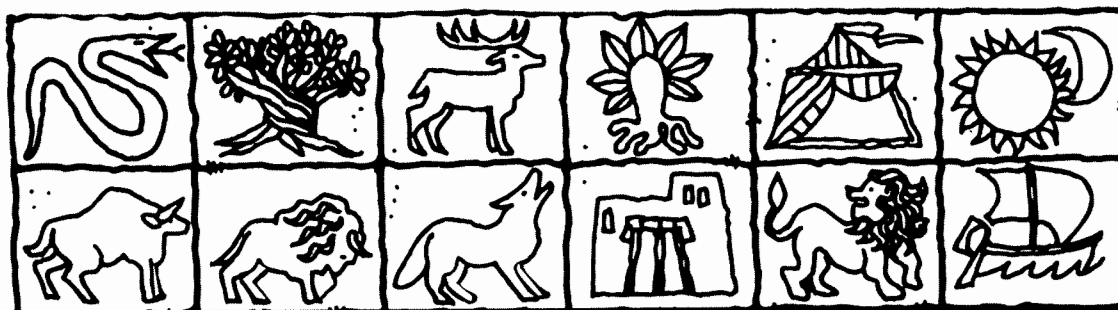
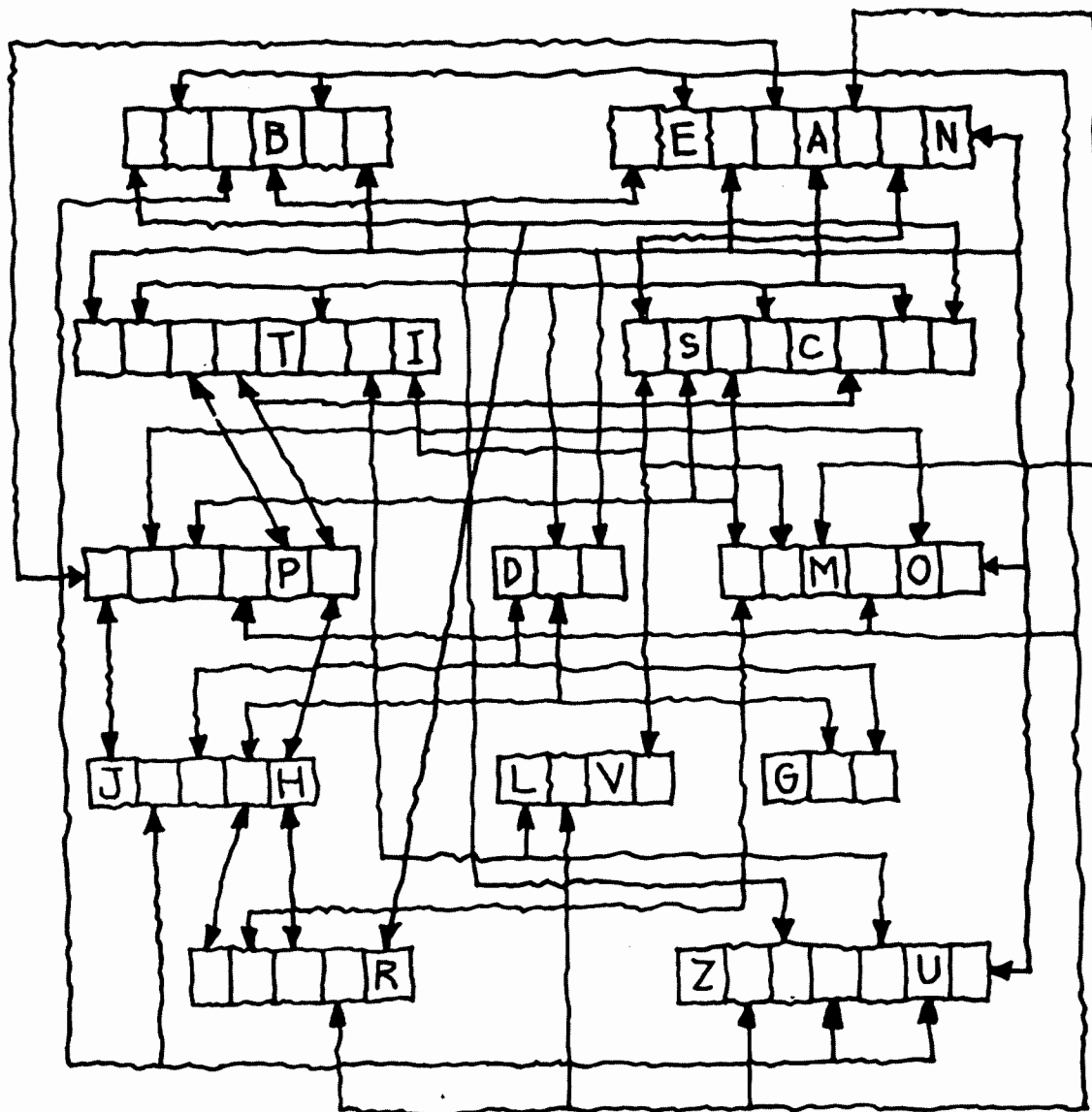
coins



saddlebags  
Cut 2.

# Children of Israel

The twelve sons of Israel became the twelve tribes of Israel. Their names are listed below. All the boxes connect with a box containing the same letter. After you find the names of the twelve sons of Israel, check your work in Genesis 35:23-26.



# God Cares for Jacob

—Genesis 28–33

# Jacob's Sons

God blessed Jacob with twelve sons. Can you fit all of their names into the puzzle below? Some letters are already in the puzzle to help you. When you are finished, take the letters from the shaded boxes and put them into the boxes below. These letters will spell the name of Jacob's daughter.

REUBEN  
SIMEON  
LEVI  
NAPHTALI  
ISSACHAR  
ASHER  
DAN  
ZEBULUN  
GAD

BENJAMIN  
JUDAH  
JOSEPH  
and

\_\_\_\_\_

# THE SONS OF JACOB

(GENESIS 29:31-30:24; 35:16-26)

G B K V L H A M C T I H N T A  
S O S J N J I S S A C H A R A  
N N P N O U V Q J N T F H T U  
B H O S A Q L S W D R E H S A  
K S E E V P C U Y R A V I D E  
K P P R M I H Q B A L N U D N  
H S R G D I A T J E B I A Q Q  
O R N H A L S V A Z Z M F P N  
J R O A D D L P T L Z A F U N  
Q V E D Z H O B N E I J T J A  
S N S U Z T Z Q A M Z N Q K Y  
P G L J B Y M J S D N E H S Q  
M D K W N E F I L W K B A M U  
L E V I O A N C P Q O I U J Q  
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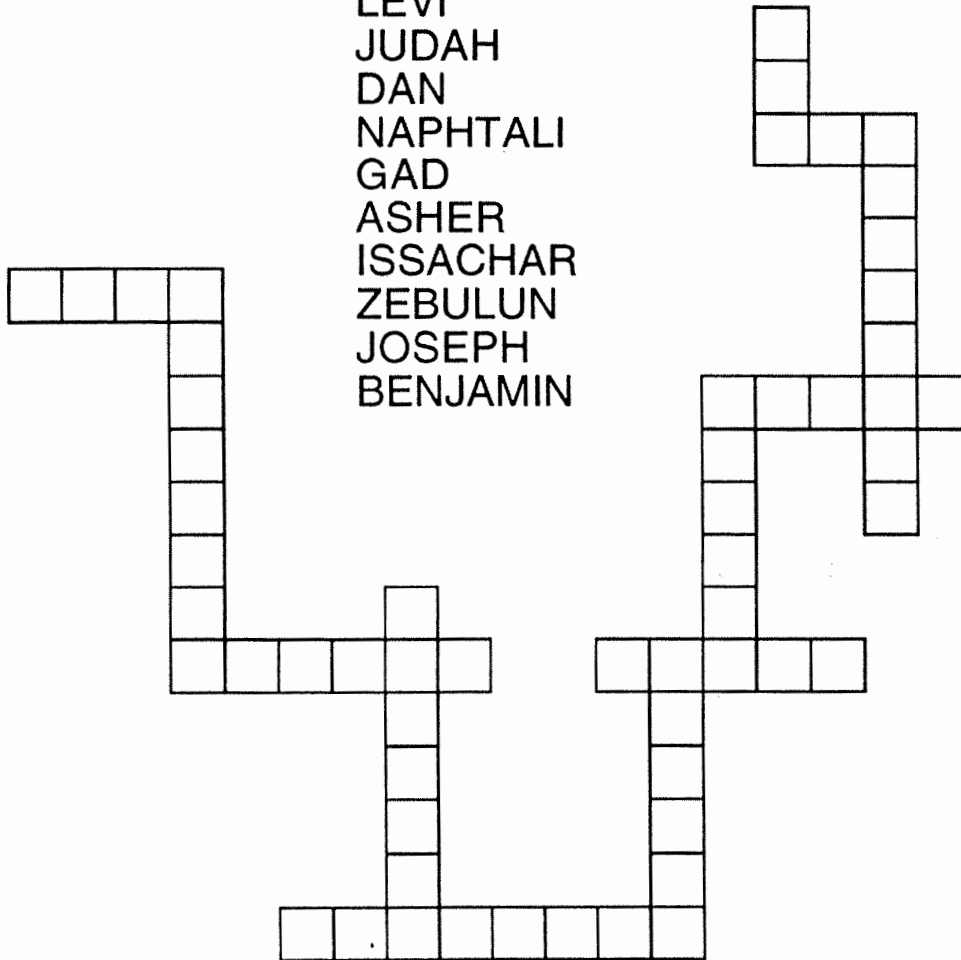
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ZEBULUN

# Sons of Jacob

Jacob had twelve sons. Fit their names in the stack-a-word puzzle below.

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GAD  
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E M N P I J M H S R O V N L W M S O G S U Z P Q M  
 D W B P L I D I M R J B Y U Q U O U H Q B F Z N P  
 P N K R H C W U N W W G M F N L T I X U N Z F R M  
 U G K X T N Q A D O S R E U B E N I V M H N V P L  
 G K O O Y T A A J P E C A L I S W B S J X D F W C  
 I B J S O C N P T N S M S Y S E I R U Q A K H B S  
 C Y Q L A J X F H K I Z I H V J H W H P E S O J G  
 E K S K V W I F A T A H V S U M J G X L U L N I E  
 U P P W C Y T T A B A K Y X U G I T H J V U E F Y  
 X U M V A J A Q U C G L K O A O S K U N A Y E W U  
 M Y B J L T L H E D H K I I D V S W Q U E E M L W  
 K F B X O N B A N W W A W R D S A I T L I E J J I  
 U K O W Z A Z U Q K A R D F W P C U P U S J Q B A  
 Y T G E M S Z U X I F E L U T T H M L B G A V B C  
 Y G H A F L N B N E U N W Y J W A F J E J V E K L  
 R E S L D P K T E P T C W X L B R O B Z P K V J P  
 F Y S V M U O T A N O V Z D A H D E J T Z U V K A  
 H G R D Q T B D Y I J C O F O J R P H W F O L U I  
 E M V D S N H D Q Y M A A B A Y E K T K B Z A M E  
 L Q N Z Q D F Q U B J C M E P K H J J M X X I X Y  
 M H G Z V R V C Q B K H K I A P S N Y L K A L Y A  
 G V D O P A I I T P G R U H N G A R R U M M R R Q  
 M V P W B Z V U H P H E N T D K U T D G Z Z U T A  
 B G K H Q E O J T Y G M U L Y G O W C C X B U T O  
 P S S Q L E N K T F D Q D U S P L U G V I T C C Y

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## Joseph and His Brothers

1								2						
		3												
												4		
					5									
6														
7			8											
								9						
			10											

### Across

1. the length of the famine in Egypt
3. a word describing the brothers
5. how Jacob felt when he saw Joseph again
6. what the brothers did when they saw Joseph
7. a word to describe Joseph
9. the number of Joseph's sons
10. the only country that had food

### Down

2. Joseph held this governmental position.
4. Joseph's own brother
7. a time of drought and great need
8. where Joseph's family settled in Egypt

WORD BANK: TWO, FAMINE, EGYPT, RULER IN EGYPT, BOWED DOWN, BENJAMIN, FORGIVING, FEARFUL, OVERJOYED, SEVEN YEARS, GOSHEN

# Joseph and His Brothers

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D U S G Q E J R N Y P S  
I D E N B E N E U H R K  
A J R I R R H I A L C A  
R X V V D S O R M O E G  
F E A I O E A T T A R R  
A G N G L O W S H A F K  
D Y T R H G E O I E J B  
E P S O M V O N B X R J  
V T C F I H P E S O J S  
O B T L B E N J A M I N  
M F Q P L E N T Y T B G  
O B O C A J H A P P Y U

AFRAID  
BROTHERS  
FORGIVING  
HAPPY  
LIVESTOCK  
PLENTY

BENJAMIN  
EGYPT  
GOSHEN  
JACOB  
MOVED  
RULER

BOWED  
FAMINE  
GRAIN  
JOSEPH  
PHARAOH  
SERVANTS

# JOSEPH TESTS HIS BROTHERS

## (GENESIS 42:1-44:34)

### MEMORY VERSE:

*"For nothing is secret that will not be revealed, nor anything hidden that will not be known and come to light." LUKE 8:17*

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1. "Joseph's ten brothers went down to buy (**HORSES, GRAIN**) in Egypt. But Jacob did not send Joseph's brother (**BENJAMIN, ISAIAH**) with his brothers, for he said, 'Lest some calamity befall him.' " **GENESIS 42:3-4**
2. "Now Joseph was governor over the land; and it was he who (**SOLD, TALKED**) to all the people of the land. And Joseph's brothers came and bowed down before him with their faces to the (**EARTH, SKY**)." **GENESIS 42:6**

### TRUE OR FALSE:

3. So Joseph recognized his brothers, and they recognized Joseph too. **GENESIS 42:8**  
**TRUE OR FALSE**

### FILL IN THE BLANKS:

4. Joseph said, "You are \_\_\_\_\_! In this manner you shall be \_\_\_\_\_. By the life of Pharaoh, you shall not leave this place unless your youngest brother comes here. Send one of you, and let him bring your brother; and you shall be kept in \_\_\_\_\_, that your words might be tested to see whether there is any truth in you; or else, by the life of Pharaoh, surely you are spies!" **GENESIS 42:14-16**

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5. "Then Joseph gave a command to fill their sacks with (**MUD, GRAIN**), to restore every man's money to his sack, and to give them provisions for the journey." **GENESIS 42:25**
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9. As the brothers were heading home, Joseph commanded, 'Put my cup, the (**SILVER, GOLD**) cup, in the mouth of the sack of the youngest, and his grain money.' " **GENESIS 44:2**
10. Now the cup was found in the sack of Benjamin, and as the brothers again stood before Joseph, "Judah said, 'What shall we say to my lord? What shall we speak? Or how shall we clear ourselves? (**GOD, PHARAOH**) has found out the iniquity of your servants; here we are, my lord's slaves, both we and he also with whom the cup was found.' " **GENESIS 44:16**

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 D B W Z O Z Y E H C U I T L C M C I T U  
 I E B H M M J F H L R S M M Z M O B Q W  
 D B G R F J A O G T E F B A A M Y A H A  
 R V R O S A L J A T O A M O F X Y C D T  
 G K A N P P C L G C B R B E N J A M I N  
 K G I R I N Q N O C L B B T J O C D D C  
 F V N E E E Y A D T Y E K J P R Y N S O  
 Q E P V S P V Y A L F G N B T R D V F B  
 N A B O O N F O L W B G X H L P I B N U  
 I B N G N U D P M S O H H Z T H Y S V M  
 S Y E K N O D M I I W S O R R O W G O P  
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**BENJAMIN**

**FAMINE**

**MERCY**

**SIMEON**

**BOWED**

**GOD ALMIGHTY**

**MONEY**

**SORROW**

**BROTHERS**

**GOVERNOR**

**PRISON**

**SPIES**

**CANAAN**

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J J F N I M N G K W B D P O B G S S R C Q L A L L K C I J I  
Q X M D O J K W K Z E Y S E J C I A U M A U K Y P R O V V L  
S W Q R B T B A R H S S O G O V E R N O R E R M H V V M R E  
P E S O N A G F E O P M T P H V F M U P O D B T L Z N T R I  
M L C H H A C O R O H E W K T U A Z C M Y K N F Q Y J Q K A  
B A Q A A U D R D A T U S J J B M B Q L N I A R G E L V J K  
J V V Z I D O U N A L X I O Y N I T N C E L Y H D E W O B Q  
B D P E U W U T C K L S H F J H N P R S A S Y E K N O D S Y  
O D B M A E W J V U U M J Y R L E Z U G E C N D U H D U F R  
H Z Q D F N K O C N W E I T D A Z F N E B M M R I Z R G Q P  
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R W I Q T E G Y P T I G O U G T P H F W J A P E M G L O R K  
V H C X Q X P Y R L S O L G S A N N W I A R L H R I A N B Z  
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X C A K Q T O D K R L Y T U T F P E U I T C L S R V P I S A  
O A S O C T J V V C A K K Q W I A V M S K U T J K K V V U W  
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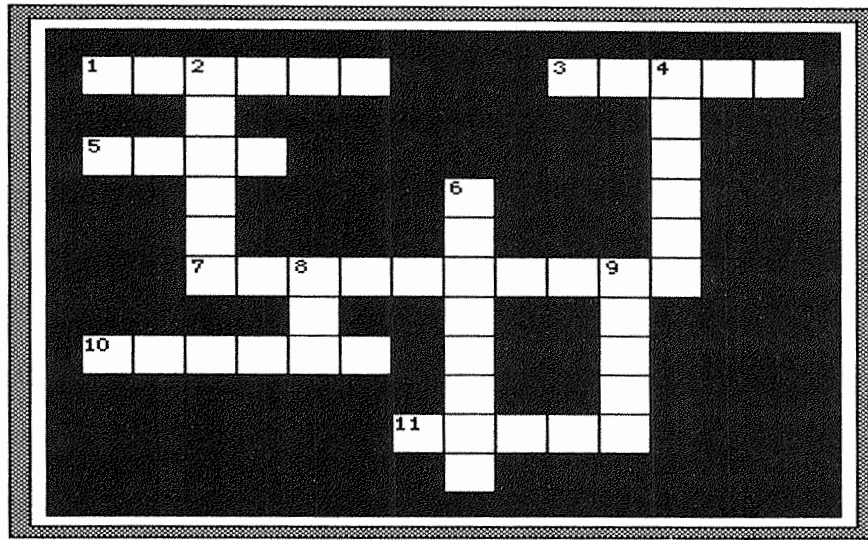
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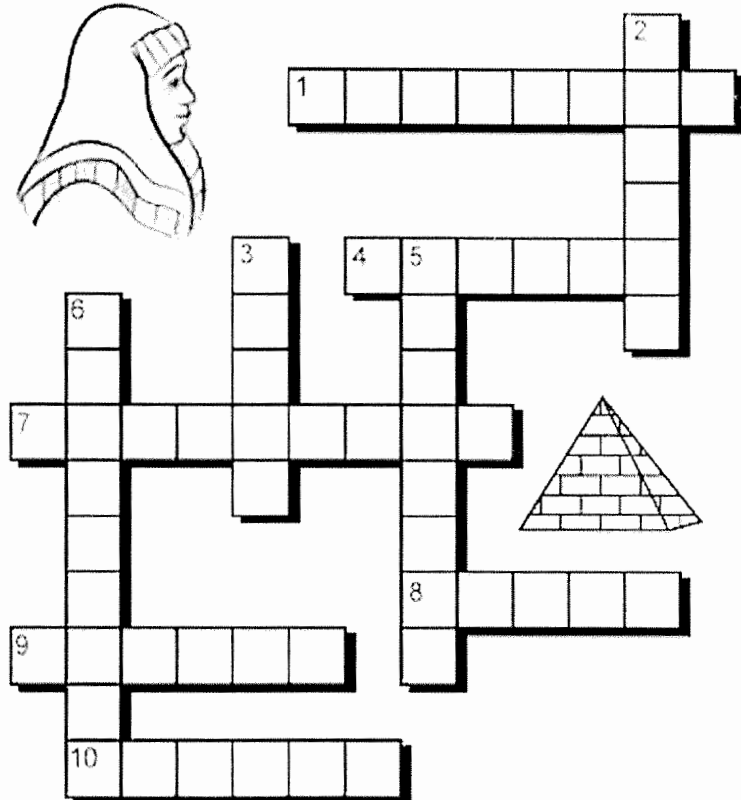
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# Joseph in Egypt

Genesis 39-41 (NIV)



Down:

2. Joseph told Pharaoh that there would be seven years of abundance followed by seven years of \_\_\_\_\_. (41:29,30)

3. Joseph told the cupbearer and the \_\_\_\_\_ what their dreams meant. (40:9-22)

5. Joseph said to Pharaoh "God has \_\_\_\_\_ what he is about to do" (41:25)

6. Potiphar put Joseph in Charge of his \_\_\_\_\_. (39:4)

Across:

1. Potiphar's wife lied about Joseph and \_\_\_\_\_ had him put in prison. (39:4 & 20)

4. The Warden put Joseph in charge of all those in \_\_\_\_\_. (39:22)

7. The \_\_\_\_\_ and the baker of the king of Egypt, who were being held in prison — had a dream the same night. (40:5)

8. Pharaoh put Joseph in Charge of the whole land. of \_\_\_\_\_. (41:43)

9. The Lord was with \_\_\_\_\_ and gave him success in whatever he did. (39:23)

10. Pharaoh had two \_\_\_\_\_. (41:1)





# Joseph and His Brothers

Genesis 37 (NIV)

Jacob, whose name was changed to Israel, had twelve sons. He showed special favor to Joseph who was one of his youngest sons.

Read about Joseph and what happened to him in Genesis 37.

Unscramble the word to fill in the blanks.

RILSEA

\_\_\_\_\_ loved Joseph more than any of his other sons.  
(verse 3)

OREB

Israel . . . made a richly ornamented \_\_\_\_\_ for him. (verse 3)

TEHDA

When his brothers saw that their father loved Joseph more than any of them they \_\_\_\_\_ him. (verse 3)

REDMARE

Joseph brothers called him a \_\_\_\_\_. (verse 19)

LFCSKO

Joseph's brothers had gone to graze their father's \_\_\_\_\_ near Shechem.  
(verse 12)

UBRENE

\_\_\_\_\_ tried to rescue Joseph from his brothers. (verse 21,22)

ICSETRN

Joseph's brothers threw him into a \_\_\_\_\_. (verse 24)

ISLEVR

Joseph's brothers sold him to Midianite merchants for 20 shekels of \_\_\_\_\_. (verse 28)

GEPTY

The Midianites sold Joseph in \_\_\_\_\_ to Potiphar. (verse 36)

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## Joseph Quiz

OBJECTIVE: Interesting facts about one of God's heroes

*Appropriate for age 9 to teens*

These intriguing questions about Joseph will get your students hunting the Scriptures. All the answers can be found in Genesis chapters 37-50. Ask your students the questions, and allow them to search in these chapters for the answers.

These questions can also be used with the many Bible drills and quizzes in this book.

### Joseph Quiz Questions:

1. Who was Jacob's favorite son? Joseph.
2. Why was he the favorite of Jacob? He was the son of Jacob's old age.
3. Who was Joseph's grandfather? Isaac. Who was his great-grandfather? Abraham.
4. How many brothers did Joseph have? How many sisters? 11 brothers and one sister.
5. Why were his brothers jealous of Joseph? They disliked the favor their father paid him.
6. What was the main idea of Joseph's dream? That someday Joseph's brothers would bow down to him.
7. What did the brothers plan to do with Joseph when he came to visit them in the fields? At first they planned to kill him, but Reuben protested; so they put him in a pit. Then they decided to sell him.
8. What did the boys tell their father? They dipped Joseph's coat in a kid's blood, showed it to Jacob, and asked him to identify it. Jacob thought a wild animal had killed Joseph.
9. Where was Joseph taken? Egypt.
10. Who purchased him? Potiphar, an officer of the Pharaoh.
11. Did Potiphar trust Joseph? Yes.
12. Why was Joseph cast into prison? Potiphar's wife said false things about him and convinced her husband they were true.
13. Two men had dreams that Joseph interpreted. Who were they? Butler and baker.
14. How long did Joseph remain in prison? Two years.
15. The Pharaoh had dreams which Joseph interpreted. What did they mean? They meant that there would be seven fat years and seven lean years.
16. What did Joseph tell Pharaoh he must do after Joseph interpreted the dreams? He must store up food for seven years until the years of famine. If he did this there would be enough food.
17. Who did Pharaoh set up as the leader in collecting the grain? Joseph.
18. Who came to buy food in Egypt? Joseph's brothers.
19. What did Joseph do when he recognized them, but they did not recognize him? At first he treated them harshly, and at last he told them who he was.
20. What did Joseph insist his brothers do? Bring Benjamin to Egypt.
21. Did Joseph ever see his father again? Yes, he was finally reunited with him and Isaac lived to see Joseph's sons.

