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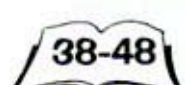
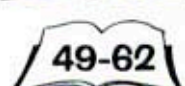
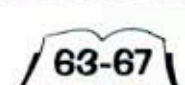
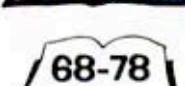
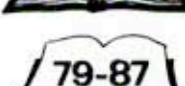
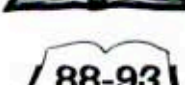

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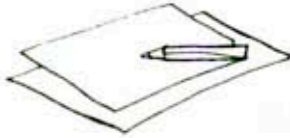
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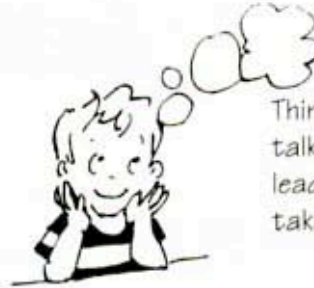
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FOR PARENTS OR LEADERS

In order to help you get the most out of this material we have supplemented the text by giving suggestions for activities. These aim to help the child understand the ideas being presented.



Write down / compile information / keep a diary



Think about the issues being talked about, possibly leading to action being taken.



Draw a poster / make something / be creative. A special notebook and a supply of paper for posters will help here.



Take some action! Possibly providing support through prayer or practical help.



Find out information from the Bible or other relevant reading material.



A short prayer is given to bring the activities to a close.



Short passages from the Bible for further reading are suggested.



Short questions are given to encourage thought and discussion of the questions and answers.



Do you have lots of questions?

- * Sometimes teachers can tell us the answers.
- * Sometimes others can help us.
- * Sometimes we find out the answer ourselves by reading a book or watching a television programme.

But we have many questions that only God can answer.

Perhaps you never ask these questions out loud. But you ask them inside. You think about them when you are on your own. Sometimes you lie awake in bed thinking about them. Where can you find the answers?

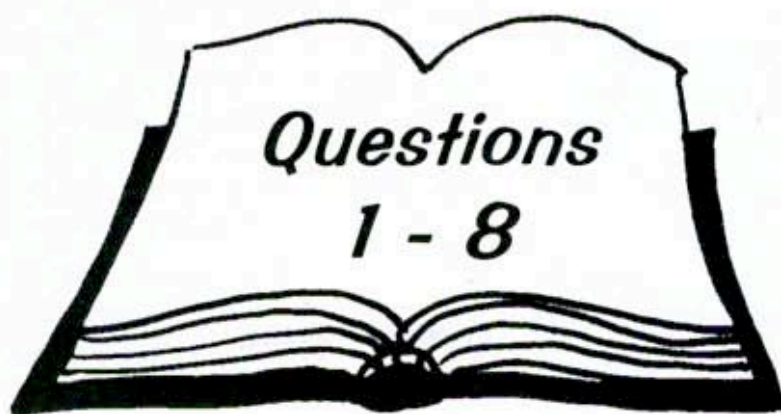


God answers our questions in his special book, the Bible. *The Big Book Of Questions and Answers* will help you to find out what his answers are.

Enjoy this book and the activities which Ruth Maclean has helped to create for you. And memorise as many of the Bible verses as you can!

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***God
is our Creator***



1

Question

Who are you?

Answer

I am

_____ (Write your name here if this is your book)

No-one else in the whole world is exactly like you. Even twins who look almost the same are different from each other.

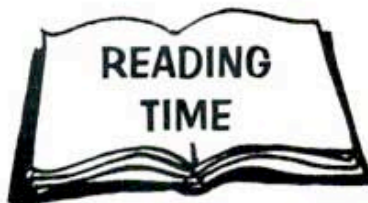
Yet God knows each of us. God knows us better than we know each other. He knows us better than we know ourselves. And God loves us. Isn't that amazing?

Memory Verse

I will praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

Psalm 139, verse 14

ACTIVITIES



Read the story in Genesis 2 of how God made us in the very beginning.

TALKING TIME

Think about some of the things which make you *you*: the colour of your eyes, the way you smile. These are all parts of you which God has created. Sometimes we don't like the way we look; there are things we'd like to change. It always helps us to remember that God has a special purpose for each of us. We need to thank him for making us just as we are. God made us and knows us. Maybe there are some things that we hope God doesn't know about. Think about the fact that God knows all about us. Does that make any difference to the way you live?



ACTION TIME

Look at yourself in the mirror and then draw a picture of yourself. Try to get all the details right, even if there are some you would like to change! Remember there is no-one else in the whole world the same as you. Underneath write the words of the Memory Verse.



PRAYER TIME

Dear God, thank you for making me. Thank you that I am special to you and that you love me. Please help me to remember that you know all about me. Amen.

