



THE WORLD GOD MADE

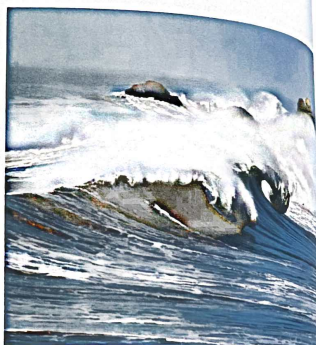
God Made the Seas

*The gathering together of the
waters He called Seas.*

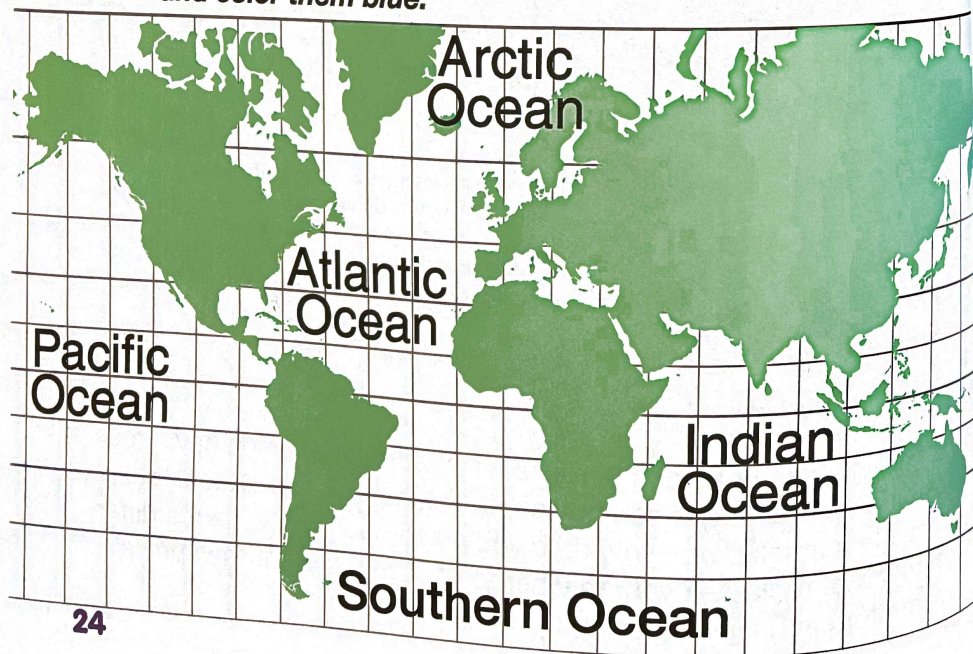
Genesis 1:10b

The Bible tells us that God spoke and the waters under the heaven were gathered together into one place. God called these waters "seas." Sometimes we call them **oceans**.

Do you know how many oceans there are? There are five oceans—the Pacific Ocean, the Atlantic Ocean, the Indian Ocean, the Southern Ocean, and the Arctic Ocean. **Find them on the map below and color them blue.**



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God Made Fresh Water

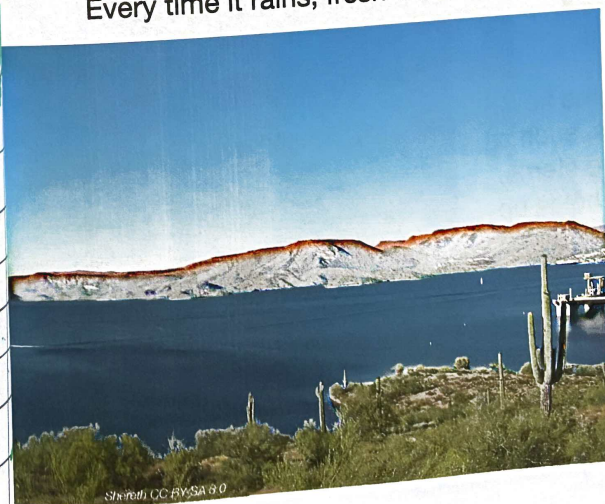
The water in the seas is **salty**. This means that sea water has salt in it. It is so salty that people and animals cannot drink it. So God made fresh water for them to drink. Fresh water does not have salt in it.



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WHERE CAN YOU FIND FRESH WATER?

God made lakes and rivers with fresh water in them. Every living thing drinks from them. Where do lakes and rivers get their water? Every time it rains, fresh water fills them up again.



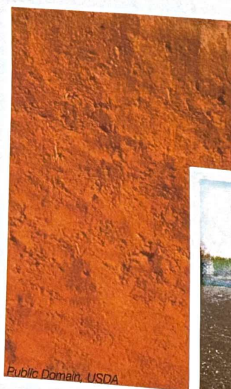
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What Is Soil?

Soil is dirt that is made up of very small things. Soil is filled with small bits of dead plants and animals. It is also made of tiny pieces of rock. Sand is made only of tiny bits of rock.

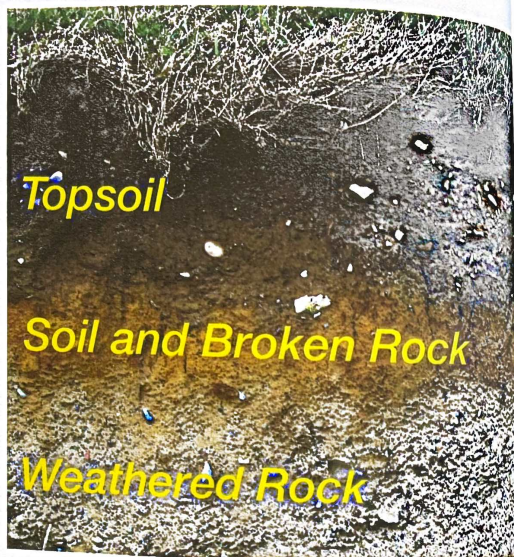
God made many different kinds of soil on the earth. The soil may be red or black or brown or yellow or gray. All the different kinds of soil are very helpful for life on Earth.



red
soil



brown
soil



Topsoil

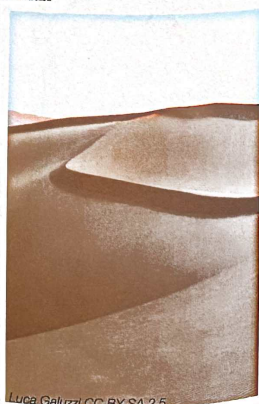
Soil and Broken Rock

Weathered Rock

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gray
soil

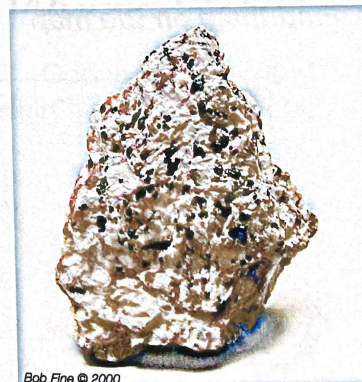


sandy
soil

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God Made the Rocks

God made all kinds of rocks. Some are hard, and some are soft. Some are rough, and some are smooth. Most rocks are solid, but some rocks from volcanoes are like a hot liquid. Rocks also come in many different colors and shapes.



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Some rocks have beautiful shapes, like this crystal. Crystals are rocks that actually grow! Rocks that grow crystals are called "minerals." The mineral that made this crystal is called "quartz."

Activity

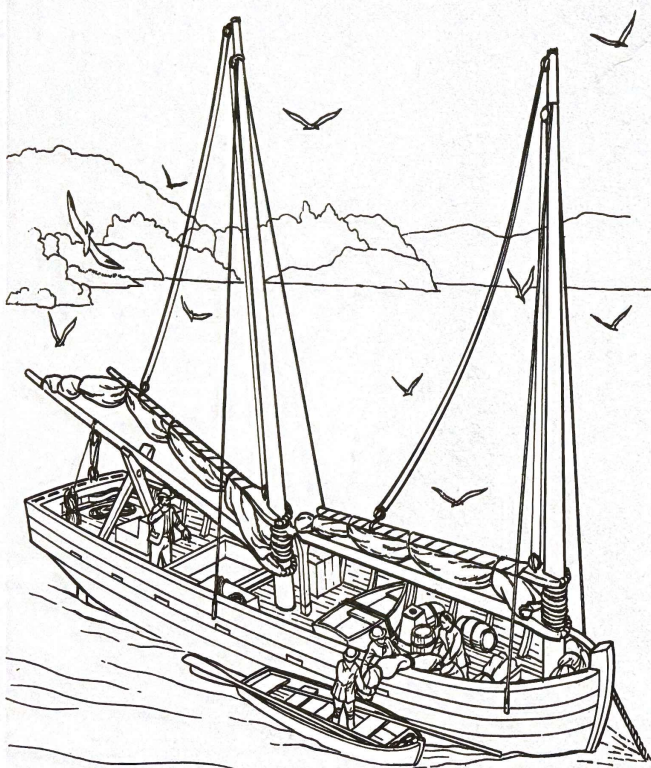
Collect different kinds of rocks near your home. If you have trouble finding rocks, you can buy some at a hobby store. Keep your rocks in a small box. Every time you go somewhere, collect a different kind of rock. Ask your teacher to help you find out the special name for each kind of rock you find.



God Created the Dry Land

Then God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear"; and it was so. Genesis 1:9

What did God **divide** on Day One of creation? God divided the light from the darkness. What did God divide on Day Two? God divided the waters—the waters above and the waters below.



On Day Three, God divided something else. He divided the land from the seas. God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." God called the dry land "Earth" and the gathered waters "Seas."

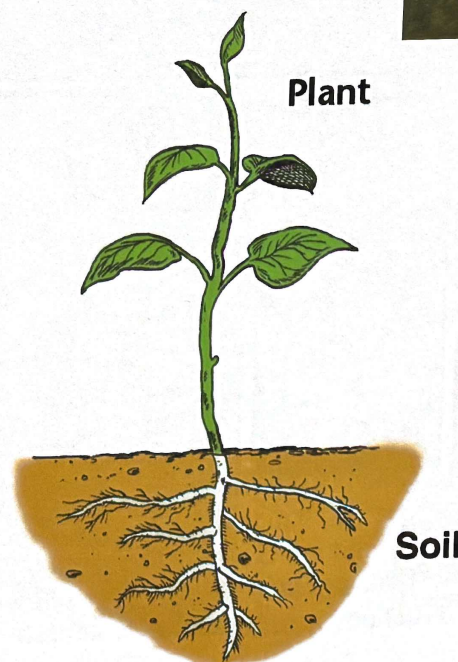
Color the picture of the land and water. What color is the land? (tan or brown) What color is the water? (Blue)

Why Did God Create the Dry Land?

If God had not made the dry land, you would have no place to walk or play or live. He also made the dry land so all the land animals and plants could live and grow. God is wise in what He does.



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God created all kinds of dry land—soil, sand, and rocks. Soil is good because it helps plants to grow.



Looking Back

Questions

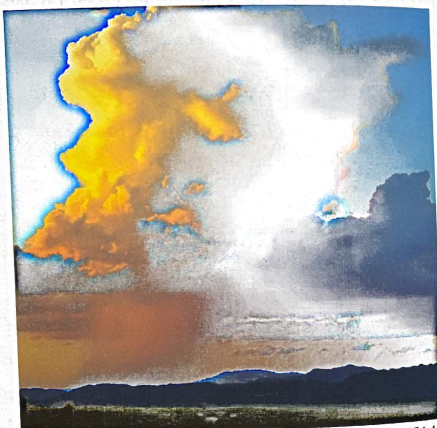
1. What is another name for the firmament?
2. Why did God create the sky?
3. What is water?

Matching

firmament	steam
water vapor	drops of water
rain	sky

Fill in the Blank

1. Water vapor is like _____ from a teakettle.
2. God filled the firmament or sky with _____.
3. A _____ is made up of water droplets or tiny bits of ice that float above the earth.
4. The _____ gives people, animals, and plants fresh water to drink.
5. A gas is something that floats and has no _____.



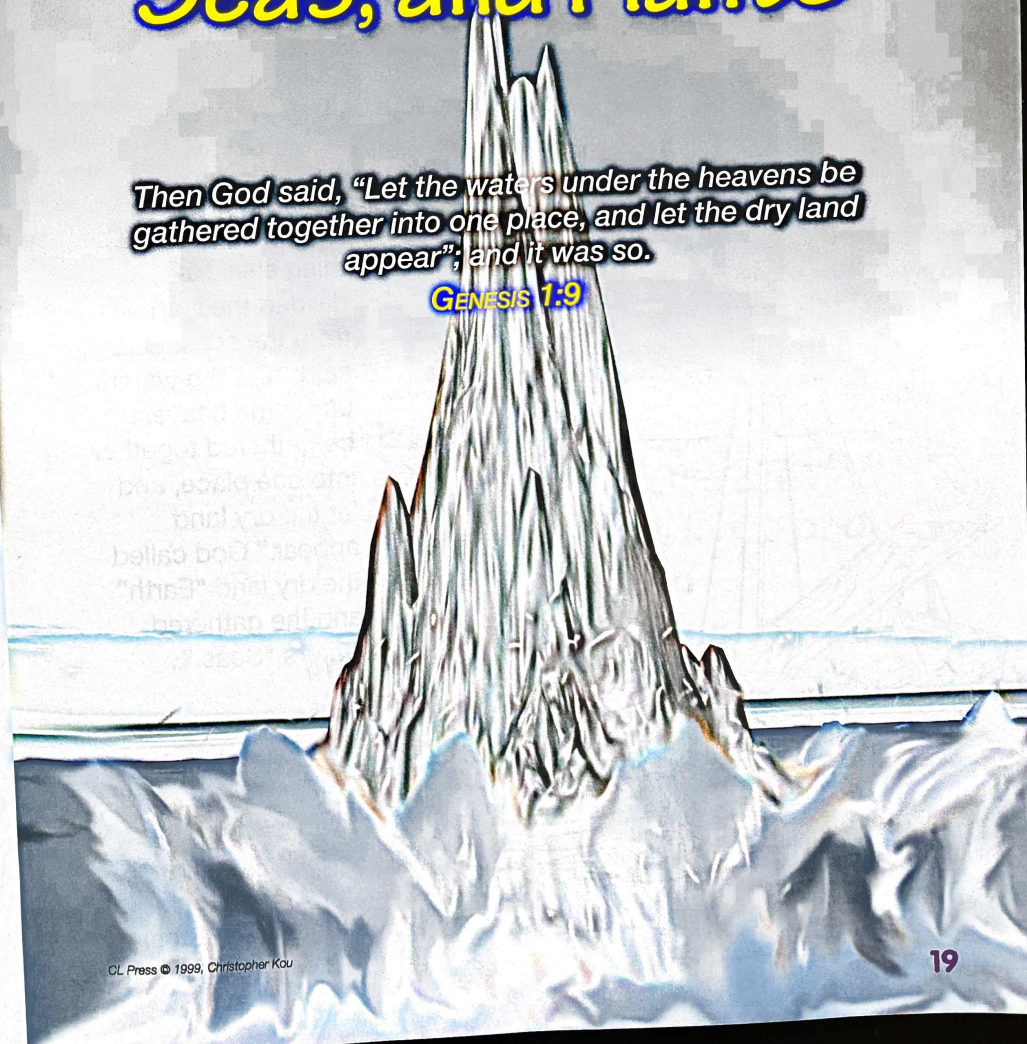
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— Day 3 —

The Dry Land, Seas, and Plants

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GENESIS 1:9



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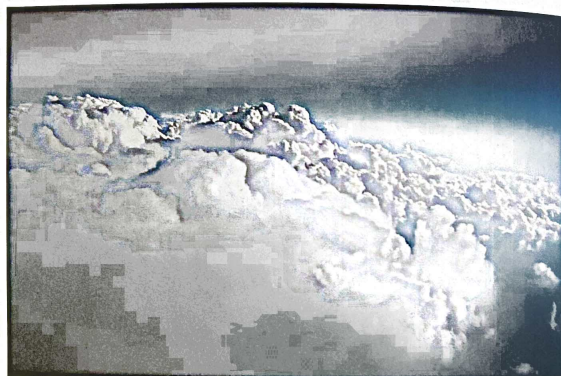
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God Created the Clouds

After the great Flood, God filled the sky with all kinds of clouds. They are made up of water droplets or tiny bits of ice that float above the earth. Clouds show us the glory of God.

WHAT DO CLOUDS LOOK LIKE?

Have you seen a cloud that looks like the one in this picture? God made many different kinds of clouds. Some are curly. Others are puffy. Still others are like cotton balls.

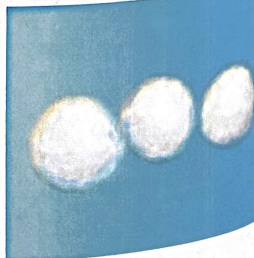
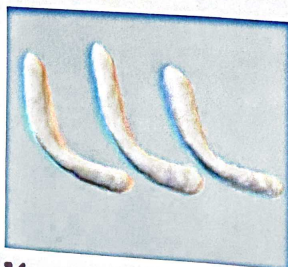


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Activity

You will need a piece of paper, cotton, and glue to do this activity.

Divide the piece of paper into three parts. In the first part, glue cotton in the shape of curls. In the second part, glue cotton in the shape of puffy clouds. In the third part, glue cotton in the shape of cotton balls.



DAY 2

Rain and Snow

GOD MADE THE RAIN

Rain comes from water vapor in the sky. When the water vapor gets cooler, it forms drops of water. These drops of water fall to the ground as rain.

Do you know why we need the rain? The rain gives people, animals, and plants fresh water to drink.

GOD MADE THE SNOW

Snow is also made from water vapor, but this vapor never becomes drops of water like rain does. When this vapor becomes very cold, it quickly changes into tiny pieces of ice.

These tiny pieces of ice form snowflakes. Did you know that God makes each snowflake different? God also gives each snowflake six sides.

Activity

Paper Snowflakes

Take a square piece of paper, and draw a circle (using a bowl or cup) on the paper. Cut out the circle, fold it in half, and then fold it in thirds. Cut a deep "V" shape on the round part. On the folded sides, cut different shapes. Now open your snowflake!

