

The old man and one of the young men stepped forward.

"Let those two chipmunks go and entertain yourselves some other way," ordered the young man. "God gave ~~us~~ us the job of taking care of animals, and that's the exact opposite of what you're doing."

The man who was holding me shook with laughter - not the nice kind - but this loosened his grip and I got loose and scampered away as if my life depended on it. (Actually, maybe it did). I didn't stop until I reached the edge of the forest.

Soon Charlotte joined me, to my great relief. She was shaking with fright and ~~tears~~ tears were running down her face.

"I'm never, ever again going near that building site," she sobbed, "And I'll never, ever disobey my parents ever again."

But she did go near that building site, ^{again} and that time it would save her life - and mine!

CHALLENGES

Read
Kidnapped
by Robert
Louis Stevenson

Write
A parable with
the same moral
as the parable
of the debtor
in Matthew 18:
23-35

Lego
Build your
own tissue
box!

Outdoors
Make a bird
feeder or a
birdbath

Other
Make your own
card game

GROW

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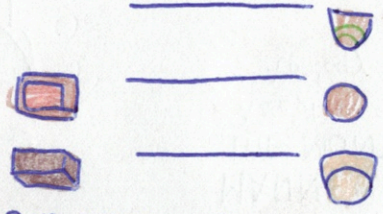
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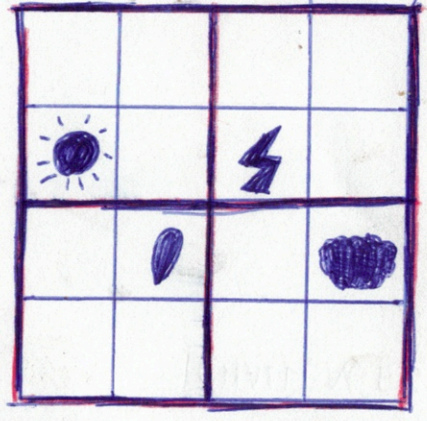
Imagine you have a box of chocolates. There are 30 in total, 8 of them are milk chocolate and there are:

- Half as many caramel chocolates as
- milk ones.
- One less dark chocolates than mint ones
- Dark Peppermint. One more dark chocolates than white ones.
- 2 more white chocolates than caramel ones.

How many of each are there in the box?



Sudoku



Fill in the grid so that all four symbols appear in every row, and column, and block of four squares.

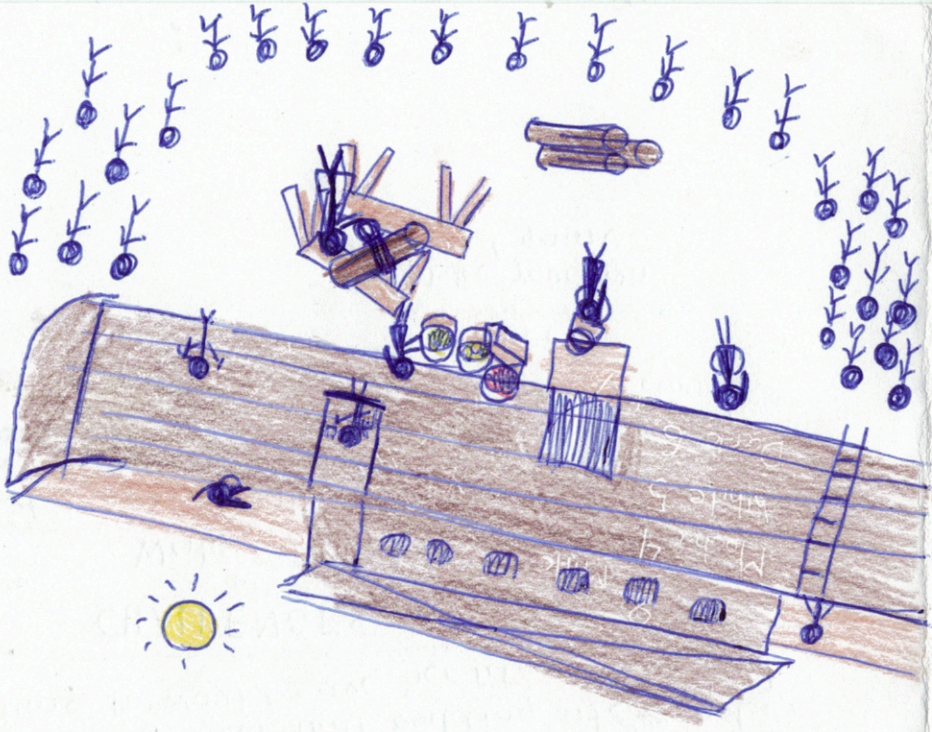


Apple Plum
Pear Fruit
Banana Eat

E	M	B	A	N	A	B
R	L	F	R	U	I	T
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I	B	A	N	A	N	A

Mini Wordfind

to get some, even though I knew it was stealing. To get there, we had to get past the crowd gathered around the workers. They seemed to be laughing at the workers and I didn't much like the look of them. But Charlotte had already scampered out of the forest. I followed her, dodging around the feet of the crowd. Suddenly a rough hand grabbed Charlotte by the tail. I had no time to do anything, however, for another hand grabbed me, gripping me so tight I could hardly breathe. I looked around desperately for Charlotte, but I couldn't see her. The man who was holding me grasped me by the tail and began to swing me around like a sling. I was awfully dizzy and I felt like my tail would be pulled out. Suddenly the spinning stopped and I was grasped tightly as before. I heard a voice saying, 'Let's make them fight! That'll be better entertainment than watching this old loon. Hey, look here he comes!'



THE STORY OF CHARLIE CHIPMUNK AND HIS ADVENTURES ON NOAH'S ARK

by Sophia Coleman



CHAPTER ONE

One day in late spring, I was looking for a few nuts when all of a sudden Charlotte jumped out from behind a tree and yelled, "Boo!" I was so surprised I nearly fell over backwards!

"What are you doing out here, Charlotte?" I asked. "Aren't you supposed to be in bed?" (She had been sick)

"Yes," said Charlotte, "But I'm feeling chipper this morning. No one wants to play with me 'cause they don't want to catch it ~~from~~. You don't mind, do you?"

"N-no," I stammered. "Then how about going to have a look at the building site?" she asked.

"But we're not allowed. It's dangerous!" I replied.

"Aw, come on, Charlie," Charlotte pleaded. "I'll be fun!"

I gave in eventually, partly because I was still surprised she was taking notice of me for once, and mostly because a little ball of resentment was forming in my heart. "Well, why not?" I thought. "My parents never want me to have any fun."

So we scampered to the edge of the forest where we could look out on the building sight. I noticed an old man and three younger men sawing and hammering beside a huge structure rather like a box. Four women were carrying baskets of food. I licked my lips when I saw a basket of peanuts sitting on the other side of the building site. Apparently Charlotte liked them too, for she convinced me to come with her

CHARACTER CHALLENGE

Life is full of opportunities to forgive! Just as we must constantly be seeking God's forgiveness for our sins, we must also be ready and willing to forgive the sins of others.

Look up and read Psalm 133:1 (ESV)

"Behold, how _____ and pleasant it is when _____ dwell in _____!"

Look up Proverbs 19:11

"Good _____ makes one slow to _____, and it is his glory to _____ an offense."

Look up Matthew 5:9

"Blessed are the _____, for they shall be called _____ of _____."

Look up Romans 12:17-18

"Repay no one _____ for evil, but give thought to do what is _____ in the sight of _____. If possible, so far as it _____ on _____, live _____ with all."

Look up Colossians 3:13
 "Bearing with one another, and, if _____ has
 a _____ against another, _____
 each other, as _____ in Christ forgive
 you."

Look up Hebrews 12:14

"Strive for _____ with everyone, and
 for the _____ without which no
 one will _____ the _____."

CHARACTER ACTIVITIES

- 1 Study with your family the Brother Offended Checklist by Pam Forster. Memorize the basic steps on the chart and put them into practice.
- 2 Read the book of Proverbs and write down verses that speak about peace making, contention, reproof, and the contentious or brawling woman.
- 3 Find examples in the Bible of people who forgave others and people who were bitter or took revenge. List each person, the Bible reference, how they were wronged, how they responded, and what the results were.
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- 5 Read The Peacemaker by Ken Sande. Apply its principles in your life.

- 6 Study Matthew 5:43-44. When troubled by an "enemy" take time to do the following:
 • Write down kind words to say to them.
 • Say them!
 • Write down specific ways to do good to them.
 • Do them!

- Pray for them, and pray to God to help you change your heart toward them.

- 7 Keep a journal in which you record times when you become irritated with others. Note the situation, the people involved, what Scriptural principal you violated, and what you will do next time. How can you apply 1 Peter 4:8 in these situations?

ACCEPTING AN APOLOGY

How to
 of the Month



- Say "that's okay" when someone apologises to you. You don't have to act as if nothing happened or give the person a hug immediately.
- Don't say "that's okay, but.....", because it's not really accepting an apology.
- Do not keep reminding the person of their transgression once the apology is accepted.
- Forgive and in time forget. Do not hold a grudge.