



Jonah and the big fish

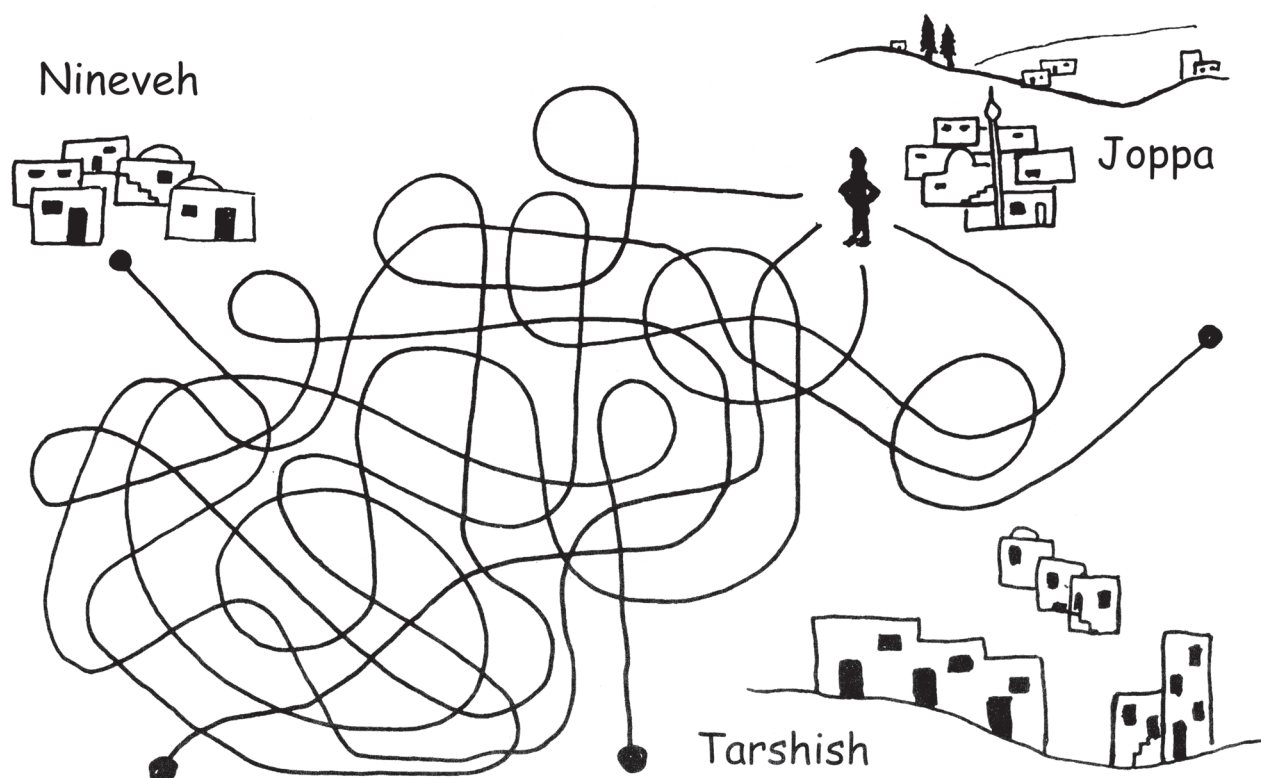
Choose the right words from the brackets.

God sent Jonah to [Jerusalem, Nineveh, Nazareth] but instead Jonah set off for [Tarshish, Nineveh, Cana]. The Lord caused a [famine, flood, storm] and the sailors feared for their [lives, father, occupation]. They threw the cargo overboard. [The captain, Jonah, Joseph] said it was his fault because he was running [back, away, a race] from the Lord.

Jonah made them throw [the lifeboat, the cargo, him] into the [pit, sand, sea] where he was swallowed by a [man, fish, lion]. Jonah stayed inside for [a week, three days, a year] and he prayed to God to say [he was glad, he wished he was dead, he knew God would save him].

The fish spat him out.

The Lord sent him to [Nineveh, Jerusalem, Nazareth] again and this time Jonah [stayed, went, ran away].



Jonah started from Joppa. Trace the route he took first with one colour, and the way he should have gone with another.

Jesus believed the story of Jonah

Find Matthew Ch 12 v 40 -41

Jesus wanted to tell the people how he would be crucified, stay in the tomb for three days and rise from the dead. What did he say it would be like ?

He also wanted to tell them that they should be sorry for the wrong things they have done. Who did he say they should be like ?



Jesus is _____ than Jonah. We should listen to him.

Some readings for next week: ...

Sunday	Jonah 1	verses 1-5
Monday		verses 6-10
Tuesday		verses 11-17
Wednesday	Jonah 2	verses 1-3
Thursday		verses 10 - 3 v 5
Friday	Jonah 3	verses 6-10
Saturday	Jonah 4	verses 1, 6-10

What was the difference between the two winds? When Jonah was in the big fish, did he grumble? Sometimes God lets bad things happen to us so that we can learn how to serve him. We should not grumble either.

Making Jonah's giant fish

You will need:

Coloured card, pens or crayons, glue and scissors.

What to do:

1. You can either
 - a. download this sheet from www.cssu.org.uk/oljn3.htm and print this page straight onto card, then cut round the fish.
 - b. Glue the fish onto card and cut it out.
2. Use this fish as a pattern to cut a card of a contrasting colour such as dark brown or red, omitting the tab.
3. Draw Jonah and stick him onto this card as if he were inside the fish's stomach.
4. Fold the tab down and use it to fasten the two fish shapes together. When you lift up the front you will be able to see Jonah inside the fish.

