-Let's Get Ready to See the World... by Canoe!

Time to get ready because your year of adventure is beginning! Grab your **Quest** 1 map so you can follow your journey each step of the way. In this first week we'll be riding in a canoe, so watch for canoes each day, and make sure you strap on your life **jacket**. And as they say in Brazil before an adventure, *Boa viagem*, which means good trip!

Our **canoe** might be similar to the ones used by the Polynesians when they first found Hawaii! Hawaii is a group of islands that became the 50th state of the United States in 1959. Have you ever met a person who lived outside of your state or country? Almost immediately you might **see** small differences in how they talk, act, and think.

Do you want to know when a lot of those differences began? Well, let's look at something in the Bible that happened a very long time ago at the **Tower** of Babel. You can read the whole account in the book of Genesis 11:1–9. Our ancestors were originally all from areas called the Middle East and Northern Africa, which you can see on your map. Remember, north on a map is up, south is down, **east** is right, and west is left. At that time, people were all united as one culture. One day, however, the people grew proud and decided to build a tower to heaven, so they could be like God. This upset God, and He stopped them from building the tower by making them speak different languages.



The people could no longer **talk** to each other then, only to those who spoke their language. These folks could be thought of in some ways as the first nations. The **people** groups who spoke the same language all went together to another place of the world to live in a village or city.

> It's partly because of this that our modern world is here and why we don't all think and act alike. Your own town and country are some of the many that have come together since the Tower of Babel, so understanding the beauty and uniqueness of people around the world is important to better appreciate God's whole **world**.

Now, the earth has big pieces of land or areas we call continents. There are seven continents, which are North

America, South America, Europe, Asia, Africa, Oceania, and Antarctica. We'll be visiting all but Antarctica. On the six other continents are found all the countries of the world. Some countries are very **big** and some are very **small.** What makes a country is being under a single government or leadership. The smallest country is called Vatican City and is actually inside the city of Rome. The biggest country in the world is Russia, which covers 11 different time zones and takes eight days to travel across by train!



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Let's go on over to **Hawaii** to better understand people in the Pacific islands. Come on! Hawaii is a group of over a hundred volcanic islands in the Pacific Ocean. There have been people on these islands for over a thousand years. In the early days of Hawaiian government, they had **chiefs** that ruled over the four main islands. At that time, they settled the land but no one owned it.

Activity time!

The English language alphabet has 26 letters. The Hawaiian language alphabet has only 12 letters! There are five vowels, just like English (a, e, i, o, u), and there are seven consonants (h, k, l, m, n, p, w).

Hawaiian words:

- *Keiki* child
- Haumana student
- Kumu teacher
- Aloha hello, goodbye, love, or peace



What do you think about saying words in another language that mean the same as certain words in English but sound totally different?

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It's very exciting to know that God created everything there is in the world. The Bible tells us how it all happened:

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Then God said, "Let the waters abound with an abundance of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the face of the firmament of the heavens." So God created great sea creatures and every living thing that moves, with which the waters abounded, according to their kind, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." So the evening and the morning were the fifth day. Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth the living creature according to its kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth, each according to its kind, cattle according to its kind, and everything that creeps on the earth according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. (Genesis 1:20–25)



If you ever get sad and down, spend time with God in His creation and let the beauty and joy of all He made begin to lift you up again.



What is something God created that you **enjoy** the most? Or maybe a few things!

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Find the following language words in the Word Find **puzzle**:

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There are thousands of languages that people speak in the world, and that's a lot! But did you know that if you can say just six words, you can say **hello** to over 2 billion people? And here they are! In English, it is *hello*. In Arabic, it is *marhaban*. In Chinese, it is *ni hao*. In Spanish, it is *hola*. In Hindi, it is *namaste*. In Russian, it is *zdravstvuyte*. Okay, so they aren't all easy, but it's a start!

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Flag time!

What are flags? Flags are symbols of a country, similar to the logo and colors of a baseball or soccer team. Each pattern and color stand for something. Every country in the world has a **flag.** You'll be seeing a lot of flags on your quests!

Governmen Time!

Baseball or board games without rules would be a mess.And living together with people would be a mess ifnot for God's laws that help us live right and help us live in peace. In this way, families are supposed to be

safe places for us to grow in. Some families **live** on farms or in cities that are a part of a country. Each country has a government that sets up the **rules** or laws. A government is made up of people who rule other people and run the country. They oversee laws and taxes to fund the government services, including provision for the poor, the military protection, and the court system. Something important to remember when talking about countries and leaders of countries is the following verses from the Bible:

"Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of **thanks** be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence." (1 Timothy 2:1–2)



What are some rules that help your **family** stay peaceful?

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Types of governments There are many kinds of governments, but through these four quests, we will focus on the following five:

Oligarchy	Rule by the few who are not elected by the people and who can make laws on their own.
Theocracy	Rule by a person or a group of people said to represent God.
Absolute Monarchy	Rule by a king or queen who can generally make laws on their own.
Constitutional Monarchy	Rule by a king or queen with limited powers.
Republic (Representative Democracy)	People elect leaders (presidents, parliaments, and others) to make the laws.







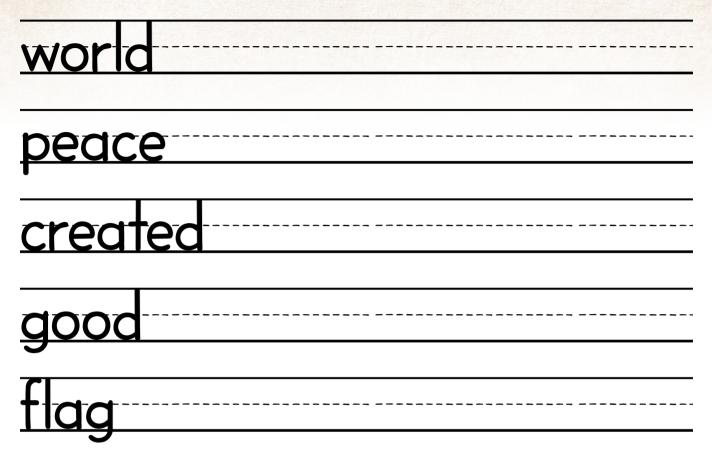
European Parliament in Strasbourg

Activity time!

Do you know what your state capital is? And do you know when your state became a state? Look in the back and find out, then write it out here!

Copywork time!

Copy the words given in the space provided on the lines. Do you know what all the words mean?









Why do you think it's important that there is a government to make **fair** rules for the people?

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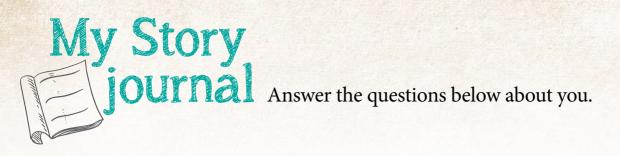


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What is the name of the city you live in?

Does your city have a nickname?

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Zipping to Egypt on an AutoGyro



It's time for another **quest**! Another journey for us, and this time it's by AutoGyro! Look for them on the next pages of this week's lesson. They look like a tiny helicopter and work like one, too. Let's go, and as they say in Uzbekistan, "*Oq yo'l*," which means happy journey to you!

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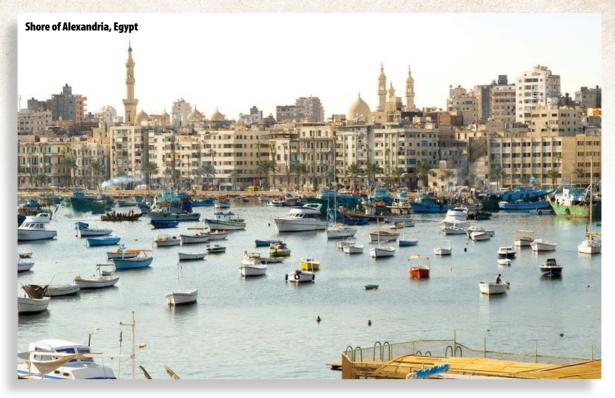
The amazing pyramids of Egypt, probably seen by Moses and Jesus' family, still stand today. The largest one, the great **Pyramid** at Giza, took around 20 years to build and about 400,000 people to build it. There on the water you can see *feluccas*, which are boats that move by sails and oars along the Nile River, and they have been around in a similar form since the time of the pyramids, too. Many tourists love to **travel** on these since they are very peaceful.





The world map from Leinhart Holle's 1482 edition

About 1,800 years ago, a Greek geographer named Ptolemy who lived in **Egypt** drew a map of what he knew of the earth. It showed much of his world, but he did not even know about North America, South America, or Australia. He did have parts of Europe, Asia, and Africa on his **map**, which was amazing at the time!



It's time to tell you about the lost **library**. There was a very large library in Alexandria, Egypt, that disappeared around A.D. 642. This was considered the greatest library of the time, with lots of rare books,

as well as thousands of others that were about inventions, philosophy, science, and more. Alexandria is Egypt's second-largest city and major harbor. It was the center of the spice trade when gold and silver were exchanged for spices. People liked tasty food then, too!

Want to eat like an Egyptian? It's not hard! The modern meals there are mainly vegetarian, with legumes like beans, peas, and lentils, and also grains and vegetables. Meat has often been too expensive to add to most meals, though fresh **fish** and other seafood is loved by many in the seaside cities. Alexandria is on the Mediterranean Sea, so if there is a special feast or celebration, fish is often the food to serve!

Giza, Egypt

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Have you ever seen hieroglyphics? These were pictures used as words and were some of the first **writing**. It was the language Egypt used a long time ago, and there was a time when no one remembered how to read it. Then something called the Rosetta Stone (right) was found in 1799 near the Nile River. These word **pictures** represented words and **ideas**, and the stone had three languages, so they could figure it out.

The languages were Greek, hieroglyphics, and one other ancient Egyptian language. Currently, Africa has anywhere from 1,200 to 3,000 possible languages that are spoken, more than any other continent in the world.



What things did you find most interesting about the **day** in Egypt?

Activity time!

If you want to cook fish in Egypt, it's good to have cumin handy! It is put on calamari, octopus, and fried prawns, all spiced with salt, too. To make a special fish dip, mix some cumin (1 or 2 tablespoons), 5 to 6 diced tomatoes, salt, olive oil, and fresh garlic. And when you need a cheerful Egyptian greeting at meal time, say, "*Bel 'hana we el'shefa*," which means "Wishing you **eat** this meal in **joy** (*hana*) and may it bring healing (*shefa*) for you."





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Long ago and also today, sheep are found near their shepherds. Why is this? Well, because sheep have no natural way to protect themselves from large, hungry animals that might hurt them. The shepherd protects them, and in some ways, this helps us see God's

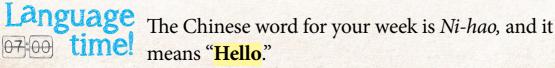
protection over us. Jesus called Himself the Good Shepherd, and this is a talk He had with Peter, one of His disciples:

So when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me more than these?"

He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You."

He said to him, "Feed My lambs" (John 21:15).







Find the following Egypt words in the Word Find puzzle!

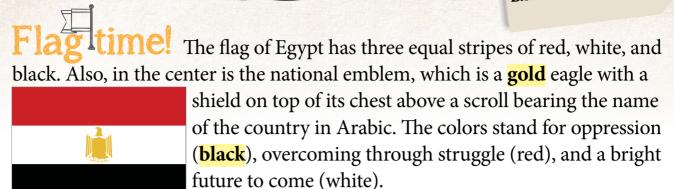
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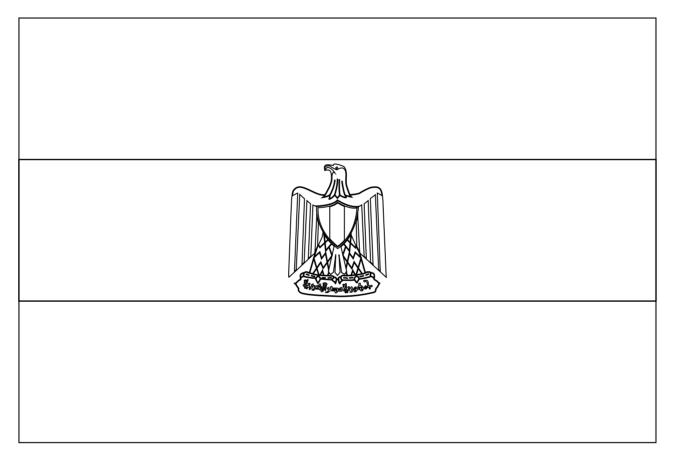
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	Capital of Egypt	Cairo	Take time for your 1 Timothy	
Government Time!	Type of Government	Republic	2:1–2 prayer for the leaders of Egypt.	

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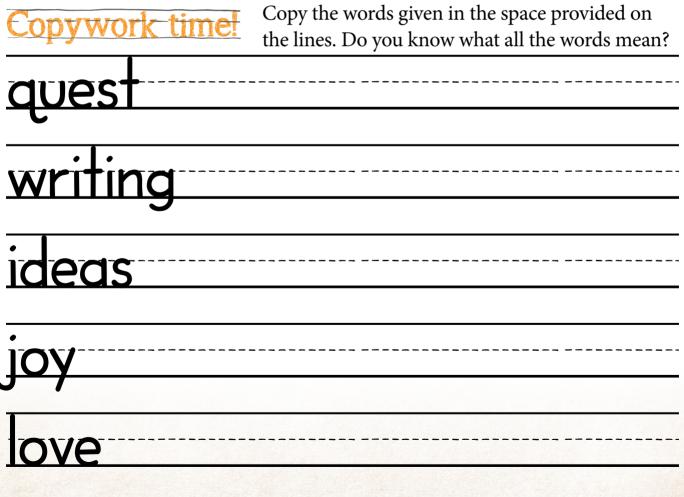
The Suez Canal was opened in 1869, and it's one of the longest artificial or "man-made" waterways in the world. Before it opened, ships from Europe had to sail all the way **around** Africa to reach India and east Asia. Now they can **pay** a toll and travel the much shorter distance, saving time and money to transport things, and the tolls help bring in income for Egypt. Have you ever seen a picture of the Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor? Did you know that a similar statue was planned for the entrance of the Suez Canal? It was based on an ancient statue called the Colossus of Rhodes, which was over 100 feet high!



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Artist drawing of the Colossus of Rhodes



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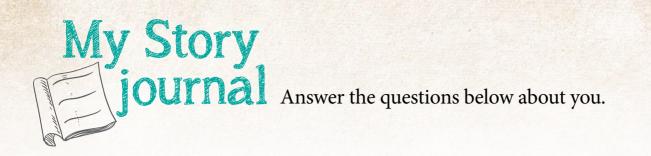


What pictures from this week gave you joy in seeing this part of God's world?



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What is your earliest memory?

Why is it important to you?



See if you can find a kid's book at the library that talks about the wonders of Egypt.

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