

Eyewitness News Report (Toddler)

You need two people for this—either two teachers or, if teaching alone, a teacher and a dive club leader or older child/teen you ask to help out. One of you will be Teacher One, and one will be Teacher Two. Teacher Two will be behind a makeshift TV. Teacher Two needs the script and a couple props as listed in the supply list, or Teacher Two can use puppets to be the people mentioned in Teacher Two's part. If using puppets for the parts, you'll need two different people puppets. (Only one puppet is up at a time, so Teacher Two can work both puppets.)

Teacher One: Let's hear more about the beginning of time from the greatest book ever. Do you know what book that is? Take answers. Slowly and dramatically pull out your Bible from a beach bag. **It's God's Word, the Bible! I love God's Word! It's not like any other book. Every word is true.**

Now let me open to the beginning of the Bible. Do so. **Have you heard about the beautiful world God created at the beginning of time?**

Pull out Poster 1: Beautiful World

Teacher One: The world back then looked quite a bit different than it does today. Let's go to a live newscast from Eyewitness News Channel 7 to hear more about it.

Teacher Two (as anchor person): Welcome to Eyewitness News. I'm Stan the Man reporting (or Ima Talker). We're back in time about 6,000 years ago in a place called the Garden of Eden. It's a beautiful place. Let's check in with Sunny Smith in the ForeWarned Weather Center to see what the weather's like. Sunny?

Teacher Two (as Sunny): Pick up an umbrella and hold it over your head. You may want to talk in a different accent and shift your position a little. **Thank you, _____. Well, this IS a beautiful place, and the weather is beautiful, too. The weather is so nice, I don't even need this umbrella.** Dramatically throw the umbrella over your shoulder.

Teacher One: Okay. The world was a beautiful place in the beginning. In fact, it was made by God and had nothing bad in it. But something happened that was NOT beautiful. The evil Satan, in the form of a serpent, came into the perfect, beautiful world and messed it up. He tempted the first two people, Adam and Eve, with some fruit. Let's pretend to pick a piece of fruit off a tree and look at it. Do so. **God told them not to eat that fruit—but they didn't listen, and they ate it anyway.**

Pull out Poster 2: Broken World

Teacher One: When Adam ate the fruit, he was not obeying God. That means he didn't do what God asked him to do. Let's shake our heads and say, "No! No! No!" Do so.

Not obeying God is called sin, and sin is a big problem. Adam sinned, and we all sin (disobey God). God said the punishment for not obeying God is to be separated from Him. That's not good! God is wonderful, and we don't want to be separated from Him! And besides that, when sin entered the world, bad stuff started happening, like sickness and hurt.

Adam and Eve ended up having many children, and their children had many children, and the earth began to fill up with people. Wave to some of the people near you and say, "Hi, people!" Do so.

Pull out Poster 3: Intelligent Pre-Flood World

The people back then were very smart, and they were busy making music and building cities. Let's pretend we're building a city. Do so. **Now let's tune back in to Eyewitness News to hear the latest on this situation.**

Teacher Two (as anchor person): Some time has gone by and now we're right before the big, worldwide Flood. Yes, the people back then were smart, but they were also very wicked, doing bad stuff. The Bible says everyone was thinking and doing bad stuff all the time.

Pull out Poster 4: Wicked World

Teacher Two (as anchor person): This just in. We've had our news team searching the world over to see if they could find even one person standing for God. Exciting news! One such man has been found. His name is NOAH. He seems to be the only person left on the face of the earth who still loves God, by God's grace. We will keep following this story and see what more we can find out about this man Noah.

In the meantime, we're out of time for today. I'm Stan the Man signing off.

Teacher One: So, out of a world with millions of people, only one could be found who still loved God and followed Him—Noah. We're going to hear a little more about Noah as we learn a little rhyme right now. (Or you may want to try the "N-O-A-H" song that is sung to the tune of "B-I-N-G-O" found in the Day 1 Song Time section.)

N—O—A—H (Four adults or teens hold up each letter consecutively while the kids shout them out and jump as they say each letter.)

Noah loved God and obeyed (Teacher shouts this line out.)

N—O—A—H (Four adults or teens hold up each letter consecutively while the kids shout them out one at a time and jump as they say each letter.)

Noah was a man of faith (Teacher shouts this line out.)

N—O—A—H (Four adults or teens hold up each letter consecutively while the kids shout them out one at a time and jump as they say each letter.)

Noah stood for God always (Teacher shouts this line out.)

N—O—A—H (Four adults or teens hold up each letter consecutively while the kids shout them out one at a time and jump as they say each letter.)

By God's grace (Teacher shouts this line out.)

Repeat.