

Creativity is using your imagination to do something new.

Read: Proverbs 3:5-6

DAY

1

Solve It!

Create a maze either on paper or in your house! Take your time creating it and using your creativity to make it fun! Make sure there is a way out. Once you are finished ask someone to complete your maze!

LOOK for creative ways to solve problems.

DAY

2

Find It

Create a scavenger hunt and ask friends to join in on finding the items. Get creative in how you look for things. How can you all work together to find what you need?

ASK God to help you find what you need when you're looking for answers.

DAY

3

Trust In The Lord

Look up Proverbs 3:5-6. Read the verse aloud and create a poster using the words in the verse.

KNOW that God can make your paths straight!

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4

God Can Solve It

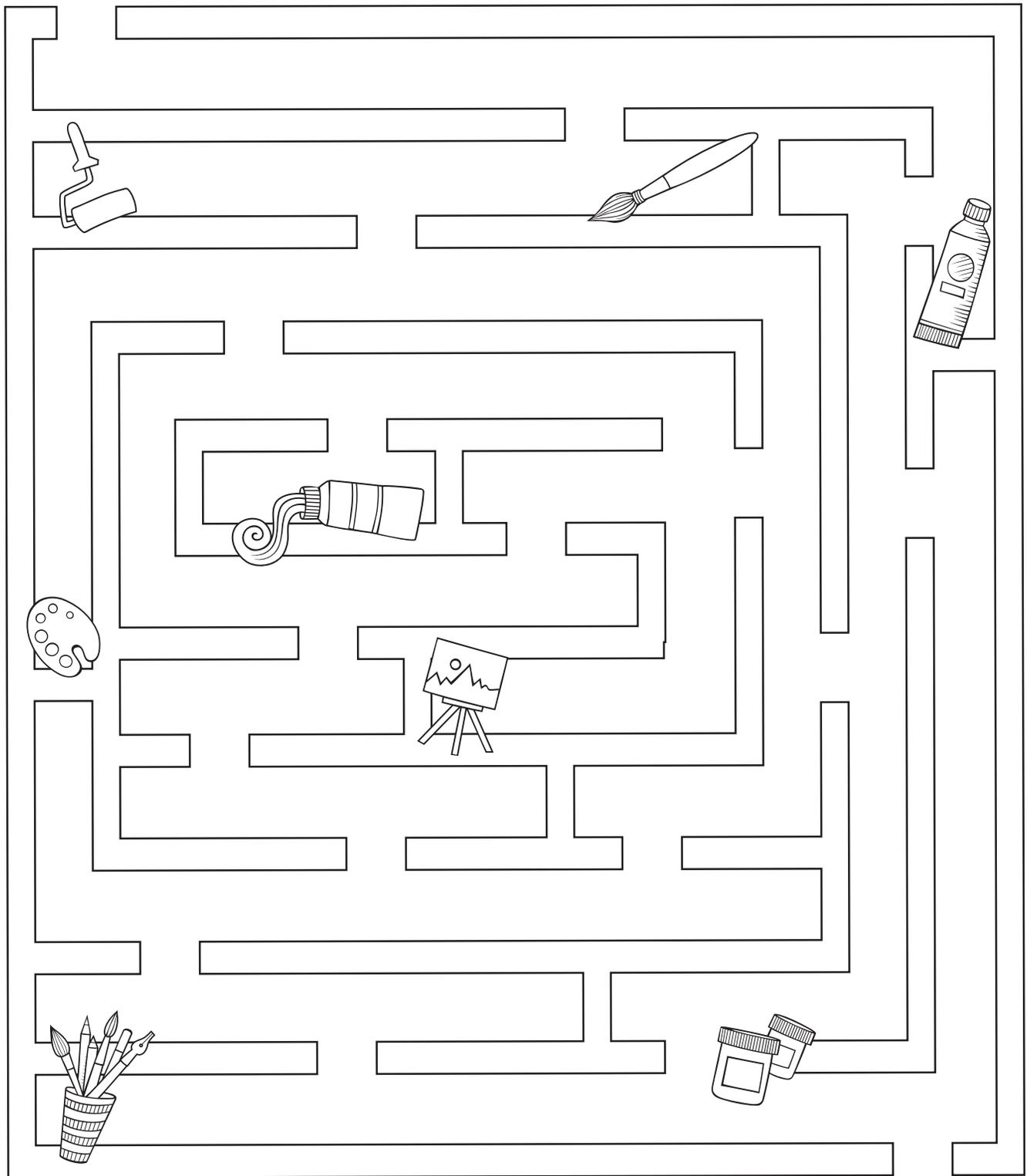
Knowing that you have God to help you solve problems is amazing! You can always turn to God to help you when you don't know what to do. You can pray something like the prayer below,

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 "Dear God, You are so good. Thank you for always being someone I can talk to. I know I can always come to You when I need help. Please help me this week and make my paths straight. I love you. In Jesus' name, Amen."  
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THANK God for always being there to help.

You can use what God gave you to solve problems.

START



FINISH

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DAY 1

Read Genesis 41:16

When Joseph appeared before Pharaoh, there was a lot at stake. Pharaoh had the power to send him back to prison or set him free. Joseph could interpret the dream and take all the credit or he could acknowledge that God was the one who helped him.

Joseph said, "I can't do it, but God can!" With God's help, Joseph told Pharaoh exactly what the dream meant and give him a plan to help the nation survive. Pharaoh was so impressed with Joseph's problem-solving skills that he not only freed him, but he made him his second in command! Problem solved.

Just like Joseph, you can use what God gave you to solve problems.

Problem Solving Steps

Below is a list of things you can do the next time there's a problem to be solved.

1. Take a deep breath.
2. Tell God about the problem.
3. Brainstorm some solutions.
4. Think about and evaluate each option.
5. Practice your chosen solution.
6. ASK: Did my solution work? Why or why not?

DAY 2

Read Proverbs 3:5-6

Parts of Your Brain

What do you know about the brain in your head? Draw a line to match the parts of the brain with their "jobs" below.

Parts of the Brain	Function
Frontal Lobe	Controls short term memory, speech, musical rhythm and some smell recognition
Parietal Lobe	Involves your vision
Occipital Lobe	Helps identify objects and spatial awareness (where you are compared to objects around you)
Temporal Lobe	Involves personality, decision making, and movement

All the parts of your brain work together to help you understand the world around you! Your frontal lobe helps you make decisions. Your occipital lobe helps your eyes to see an object while your parietal lobe helps you name it. Your temporal lobe helps you remember what you did five minutes ago.

God made that awesome brain of yours! God wants to help you creatively solve the problems around you!

DAY 3

Read James 1:5

What's the very first word of today's verse?

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Guess what? We all need wisdom! And when we need wisdom, who gives it? God! God gives it freely which means that God isn't stingy because there's plenty to go around!

The next time you have a problem to solve, start by asking God for help.

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**Mark It Up**

Grab your Bible and some colored pencils. Use a yellow colored pencil to draw a crown over God every time it appears in the verse. Use other colors to draw a box around the word wisdom. Underline the words "needs," "ask," "give" and "gives freely." Add any other markings you choose that will help certain words stand out so you can learn the verse by heart.

DAY 4

**Read Philippians 4:6**

When you have a problem, who do you talk to? Maybe your Mom or Dad. Maybe a best friend? God has placed people in our lives to help us. But sometimes, when there's a problem and we need help, talking to God is the best first step.

Why? Because talking to God reminds us who's really in charge. When a problem seems too big, prayer can remind us that NOTHING we face in life is bigger than God.

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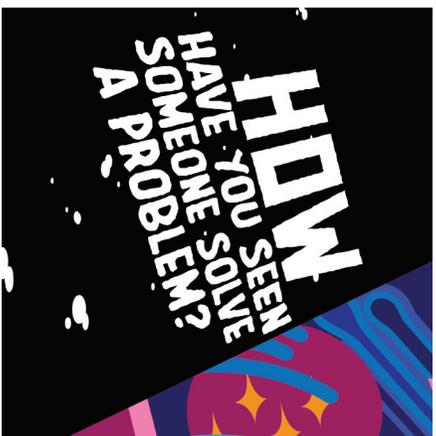
Talk To God

In the box below, write out a prayer to God about a problem you need help solving. Then pray and ask God to help you think about a creative solution that you hadn't thought of before.

Four horizontal lines for writing a prayer.

You can use what God gave you to solve problems.

Spend some time thinking about the question below and journal your thoughts or share them with a parent.



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Day 1

After watching, write one thing that:

Watch this week's episode of The So & So Show by going to: <https://bit.ly/PreteensSundaysatHome> Even if you already saw it at church, feel free to check it out again!

1. You liked:
2. You learned:
3. You'd like to know:



Day 2

Read Genesis 40-41

As you read through Genesis 40-41, circle every time a number is mentioned in the story. It could be spelled out or written whole.

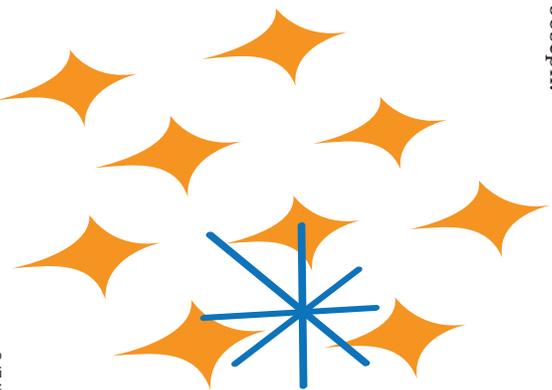
Then go through and add up the numbers.

What did you get? _____ (You can see if you got it right below.)

More importantly, how did you solve the problem?

You might have added it in your head. You might have written it on paper. You might have pulled out a calculator or used a calculator app.

Whichever way you solved the problem, you used a certain amount of creativity to solve it! **You can use what God gave you to solve problems**, and that's exactly what you did—just like Joseph!



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Day 4

Today, find three or four adults and ask them this question:

How have you seen someone solve a problem?

Then, follow up and ask them to describe the situation and how it was solved creatively. Take note of any creative “tools” they mention—especially if you feel it’s something God might have given you too!

Day 5

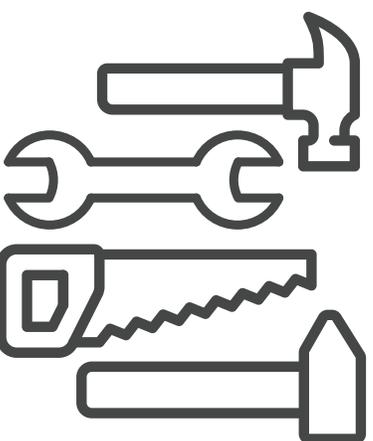
There are always problems in this world—Jesus Himself said there would be!

Thankfully, God has given you what you need to solve problems. Sometimes in the moment of a problem, we can get overwhelmed and forget about all the tools in our toolbox. So today, you’re going to make a toolbox you can hang somewhere to remind you of all that God has given you to help you solve problems.

On each of the tools below, write one of the creative tools God has given you to help you solve problems, then cut them out. Think about things in the following categories:

- Skills you have
- Things you know
- Wise friends
- Talents you enjoy

Grab a sheet of paper and create a toolbox you can stick your tools in. Hang it up in a spot where you will see it and/or often have problems that need to be figured out.



Day 3

God has given you creativity to be used in a number of ways, and one of them is to solve problems!

You can use what God gave you to solve problems, and part of what God has given you is access to the ultimate source of wisdom: GOD! Personalize the prayer below with a problem you need to solve and talk to God about it.

Dear God, thank You for giving me what I need to solve problems. I especially need help with _____ right now. I know that I can use some of the things you have given me, such as my _____, and _____, and _____.

Please help me to lean into the creativity you've given me, and please also give me the wisdom I need from you to solve this problem. In Jesus' Name, I pray. Amen.