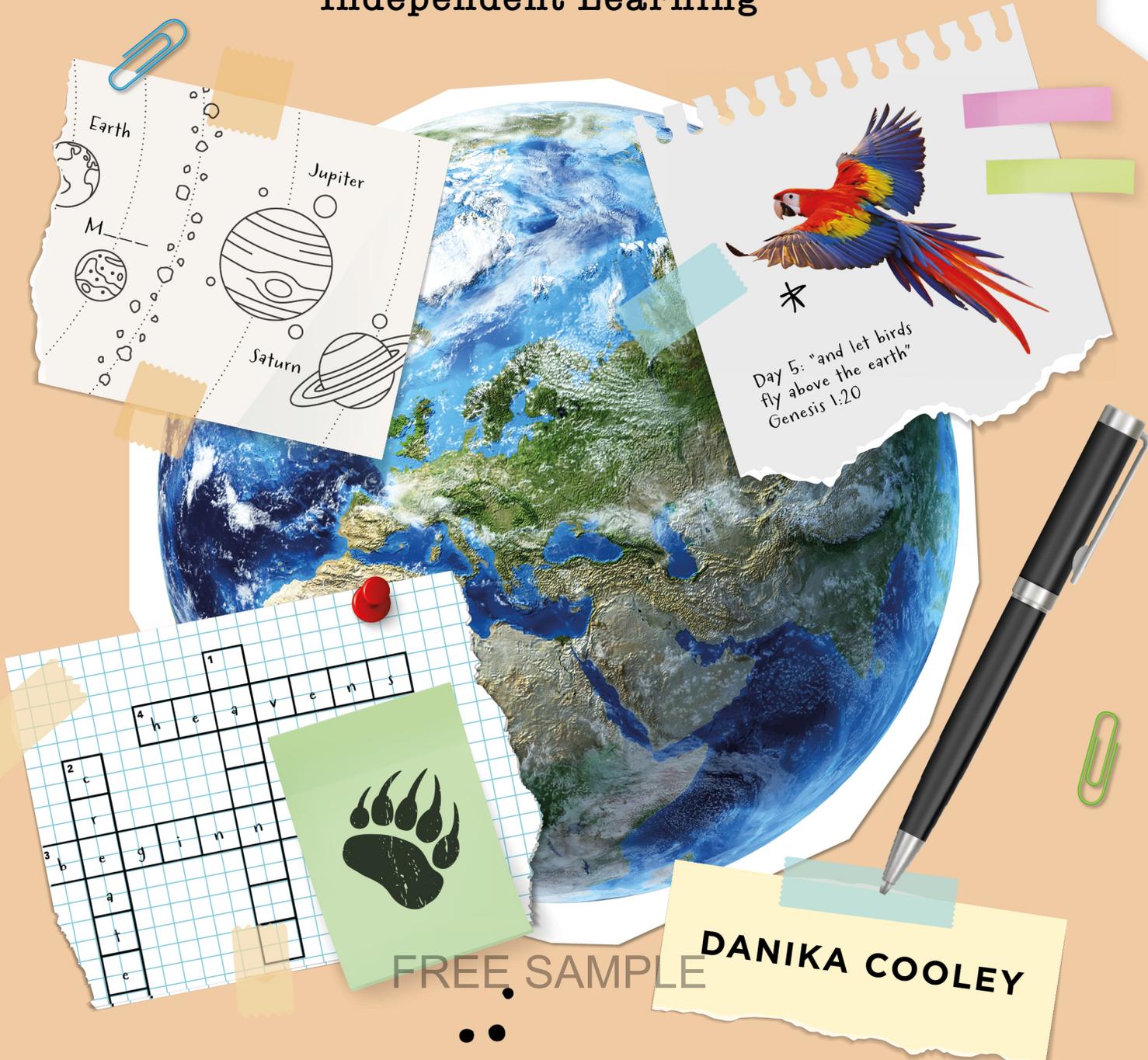


BIBLE INVESTIGATORS

Creation

FOR 8-12S

Puzzles and Activities for
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CHAPTER 4: IT WAS ALL GOOD

Have you ever seen a picture of someone's *creation fail*? They can be pretty funny. Someone may post a beautiful photograph of a cake they were trying to make, shaped like a puppy. Next to that perfect cake, they'll share the picture of the cake they actually made—and it looks like a misshapen slug with three eyes.

Maybe you've had a creation fail too. Perhaps you wanted to draw your sister, but the way she looked in your head and the way she looks on the paper are two very different pictures. Everyone has had the experience of making something that is less than perfect. Everyone, that is, except God.

You see, God is perfect. He is holy and has never sinned. He is the King of the universe, the Creator of all things. When God made the universe, the earth, and every living thing, his creation was very good. In fact, in 1 Timothy 4:4a (ESV), Paul tells us that "everything created by God is good."

Now, when you say good, you may mean "good enough." But when the Bible tells us that God calls something good, it means...

- ▶ Perfect
- ▶ Excellent
- ▶ Approved of by God

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth (there's a merism!), and everything God created was good. Not just good but perfect—just the way God wanted it. God made a world without sin.

But Adam and Eve—the first people God made—disobeyed God's clear instructions not to eat the fruit of one tree. Their disobedience introduced sin into the world and the world became corrupted. Even that wasn't a surprise to God. Nope. Our Father always had a salvation plan for all people. We'll take a look at that plan in the last section of this investigator book. But first, let's learn about God's perfect, excellent, approved-of world!

MY INVESTIGATOR NOTEBOOK

- Make your own creation-fail pictures. First, draw a picture of a beautiful cake.



- Then draw a picture of a failed cake creation. Make it as funny as you like!

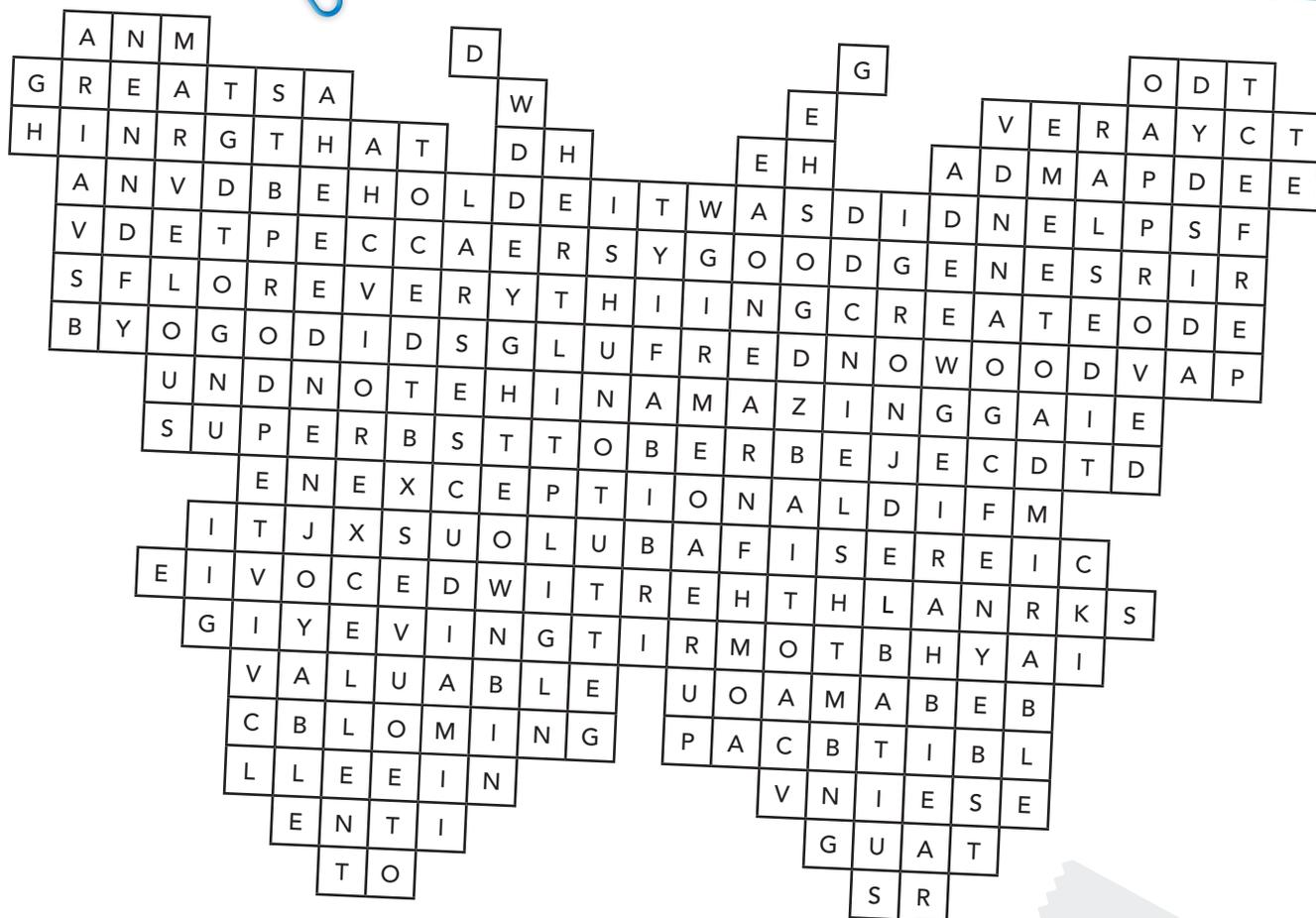


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WORD SEARCH

Do you know what a *synonym* is? It's a word that means almost what the original word means. So, a synonym of *good* is *great*. Or *superb*. *Splendid*. *Marvelous*!

Highlight the synonyms of *good* from the list below as you find them in the word search. Words are located up, down, forward, backward, and diagonally forward and backward.



Words to find

ACCEPTED
DESIRABLE
FABULOUS
PURE
UNCORRUPTED

ADMIRABLE
ENJOYABLE
GREAT
SPLENDID
VALUABLE

AMAZING
EXCELLENT
MARVELOUS
SUITABLE
WONDERFUL

APPROVED
EXCEPTIONAL
PERFECT
SUPERB

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Now put the unused letters (from left to right, top row to bottom row) in the spaces below to fill in the blanks below. You'll find two verses and a special message. The first two words are done for you. Can you remember the words of Genesis 1:31a by heart?

And God _____
_____' _____'
_____ . _____ 1:31a
_____' _____
_____.1 _____ 4:4
_____!

MY INVESTIGATOR NOTEBOOK

- Draw something God has made that you think is very good!



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