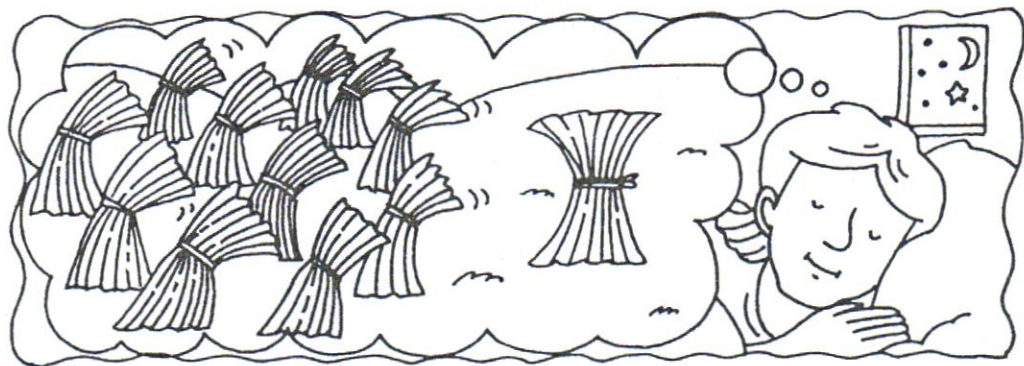


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Genesis 37



Isaac's son Jacob had twelve sons. He loved his son Joseph best of all. To show his love, Jacob gave Joseph a beautiful coat of many colors.

Joseph often helped his brothers tend their father's flocks. Sometimes Joseph told his father about the bad things he saw his brothers doing. That made his brothers very angry with him.

One night, Joseph had a dream. In it, his brothers' sheaves of grain bowed down to his grain. He told his brothers about the dream. Later, in another dream, the sun and moon and eleven stars bowed down to Joseph. He described the dream to his father and brothers.

Jacob asked, "What do you mean? Will your mother, your brothers, and I actually come and bow before you?"

Jacob wondered about the meaning of the dream. But Joseph's brothers were angry and jealous.

One day, Joseph went to see his brothers who were tending sheep. One saw Joseph coming and said, "Look, here comes the dreamer. Let's kill him and throw him into that deep pit. We can tell Father he was killed by a wild animal."

"No, let's not kill him," his brother Reuben said. "Let's just throw him into the pit." (Reuben planned to rescue Joseph later.)

The brothers grabbed Joseph and threw him into the pit.

While they were eating, a caravan of Midianite traders came along. "Let's sell Joseph instead of leaving him in the pit," said his brother Judah.

They pulled Joseph out of the pit and sold him for twenty pieces of silver. Then they killed a goat and dipped Joseph's coat in the blood. When Jacob saw the coat, he cried and said, "I will die in mourning for my son."

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A Colorful Coat

Color the picture using the code.

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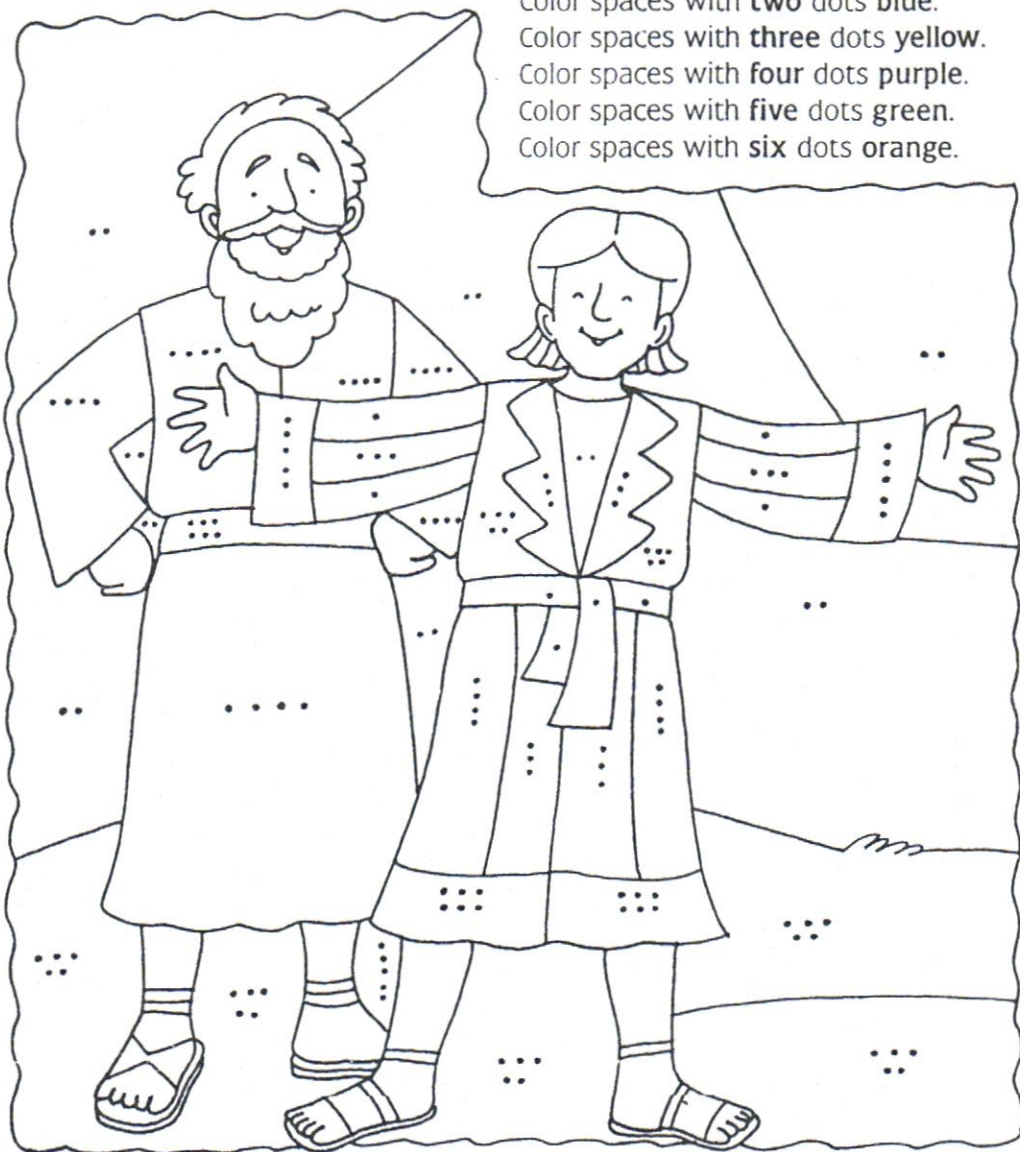
Color spaces with **two dots blue**.

Color spaces with **three dots yellow**.

Color spaces with **four dots purple**.

Color spaces with **five dots green**.

Color spaces with **six dots orange**.



God's Word says: "He made a richly ornamented robe for him" (Genesis 37:3).

Joseph and His Brothers

Genesis 41:46–42:9; 45:12–46:5



For seven years, Joseph traveled throughout Egypt collecting and storing food. Then when a great famine came to the land of Egypt, an abundance of food was stored to feed all of the people in Egypt. There was even extra grain to sell to people who came from other lands.

When Jacob, Joseph's father, learned that Egypt had food for sale, he sent his sons to buy grain. That was how ten of Joseph's brothers came to be in Egypt. Since Joseph was governor of all of Egypt and in charge of the sale of grain, his brothers came to him.

Joseph recognized his brothers immediately, but they did not recognize the brother whom they had sold into slavery many years before. Joseph pretended to be a stranger. "Where are you from?" he demanded.

"From the land of Canaan," they told him. "We have come to buy grain."

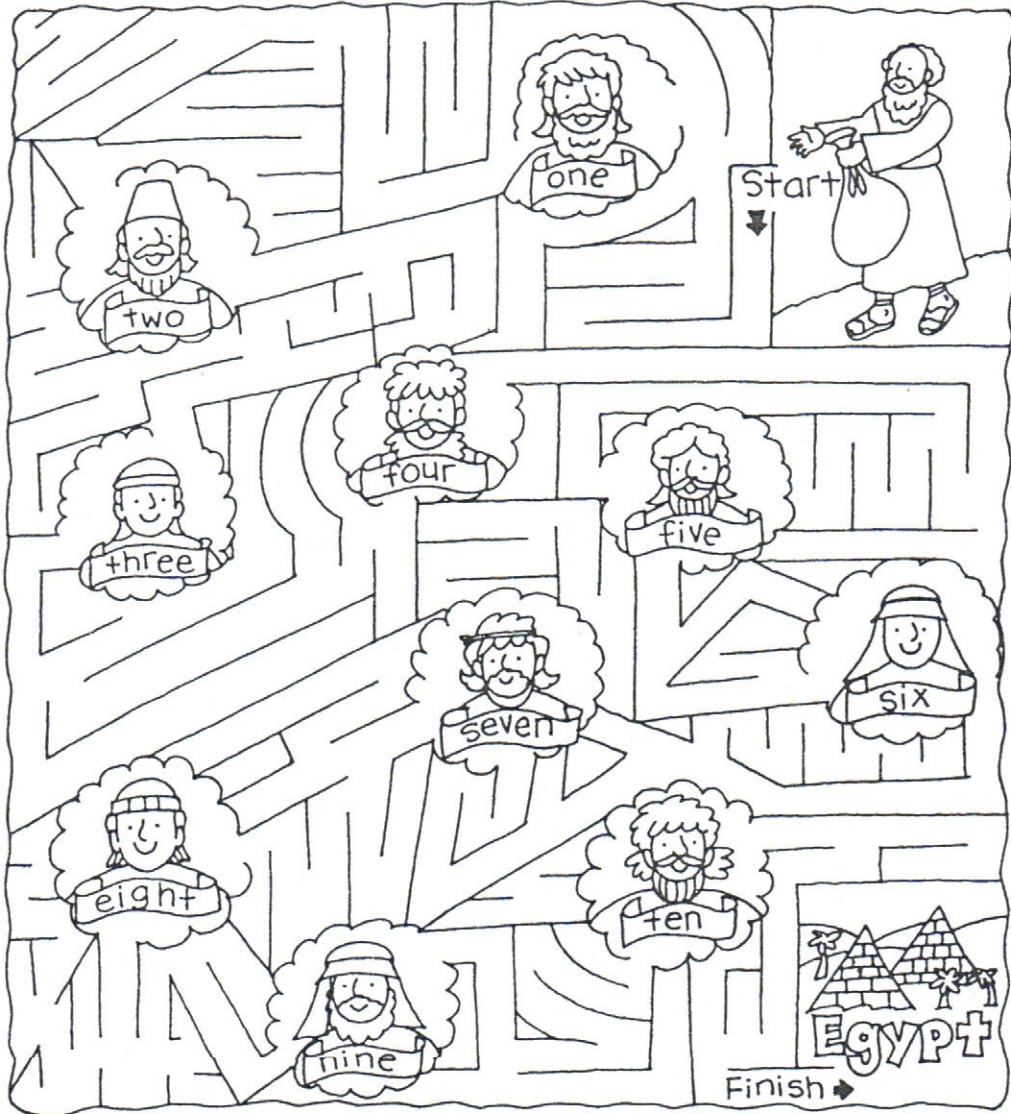
As the brothers bowed low before him, Joseph remembered the dreams he had had many years before.

Sometime later, Joseph told his brothers who he was. Joseph kissed each of them and wept with happiness. He said, "Go home now and bring back Father and your families. Move to Egypt. Here you will have plenty of food."

When Jacob learned that Joseph was alive and honored in Egypt, he left Canaan with his sons and their wives and all of his grandchildren and went to live in Egypt.

Go to Egypt

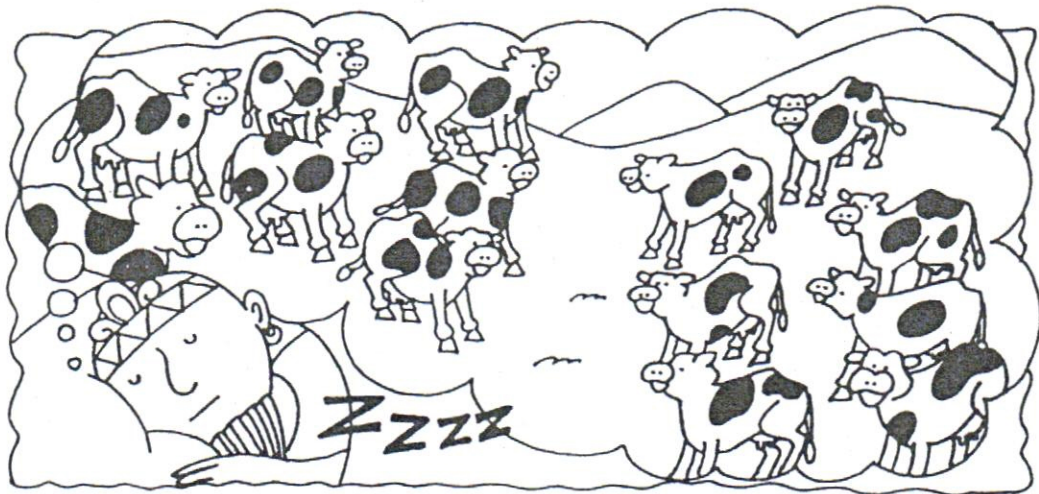
Jacob sent ten of his sons to Egypt to buy food. Trace a path from Jacob to Egypt. Move from one son to the next in order, beginning with son one.



God's Word says: "I have heard that there is grain in Egypt. Go down there and buy some for us, so that we may live and not die" (Genesis 42:2).

Joseph in Egypt

Genesis 39:1-41:36



Joseph's brothers sold him for twenty pieces of silver. When the traders who bought Joseph reached Egypt, they sold him to an officer of Pharaoh. Joseph did excellent work and was soon given an important position.

Years later, Joseph was accused of something that he didn't do and was sent to prison. While in prison, Joseph met Pharaoh's chief cupbearer and chief baker. Each man had a dream. Joseph was able to explain both dreams.

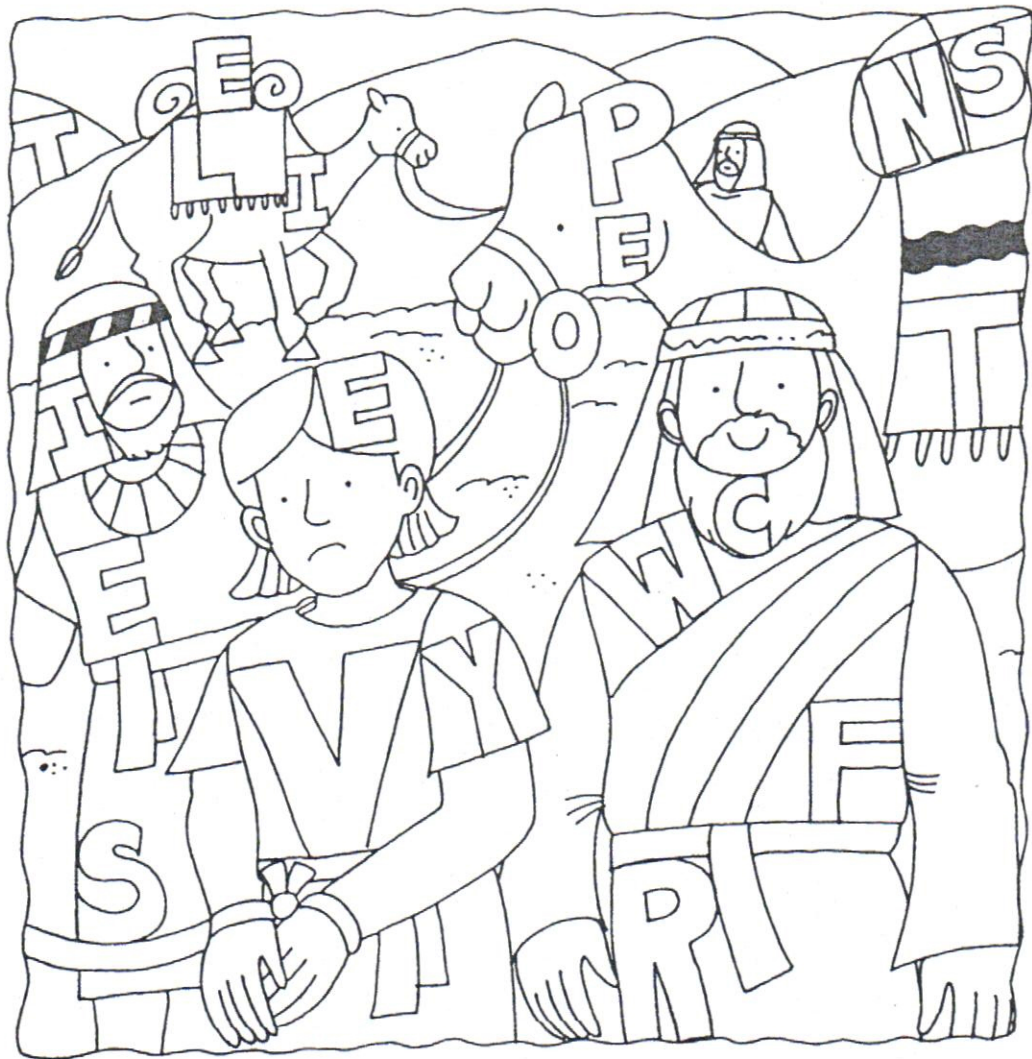
Several years later, Pharaoh had two dreams. In one dream, there were seven fat cows and seven hungry, thin cows. The thin cows ate the fat ones. In the second dream, there were seven plump heads of grain with well-formed kernels on a single stalk. Then seven shriveled heads appeared on the same stalk and swallowed the seven plump heads. Pharaoh didn't know what the dreams meant, but he wanted to find out. It was then that the cupbearer told him about Joseph's ability to interpret dreams.

Joseph was brought out of prison and taken to Pharaoh. He told Pharaoh it was beyond his power to interpret dreams, but that God would tell him what the dreams meant. Then Joseph listened to Pharaoh's dreams and said, "Both of your dreams mean the same thing. There will be seven years of good crops followed by seven years of famine in Egypt."

Pharaoh believed Joseph and said, "I hereby put you in charge of the entire land of Egypt."

Sold!

Joseph was sold by his brothers. Then the traders who bought Joseph sold him again. Hidden in the picture are the twenty letters found in the words **twenty pieces of silver**. Outline each letter with a red crayon. Then color the picture.



God's Word says: "Potiphar, an Egyptian who was one of Pharaoh's officials, . . . bought him" (Genesis 39:1).

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Pharaoh's Dreams

Pharaoh had two dreams. Joseph explained what the dreams meant. Finish the picture by drawing one of Pharaoh's dreams.

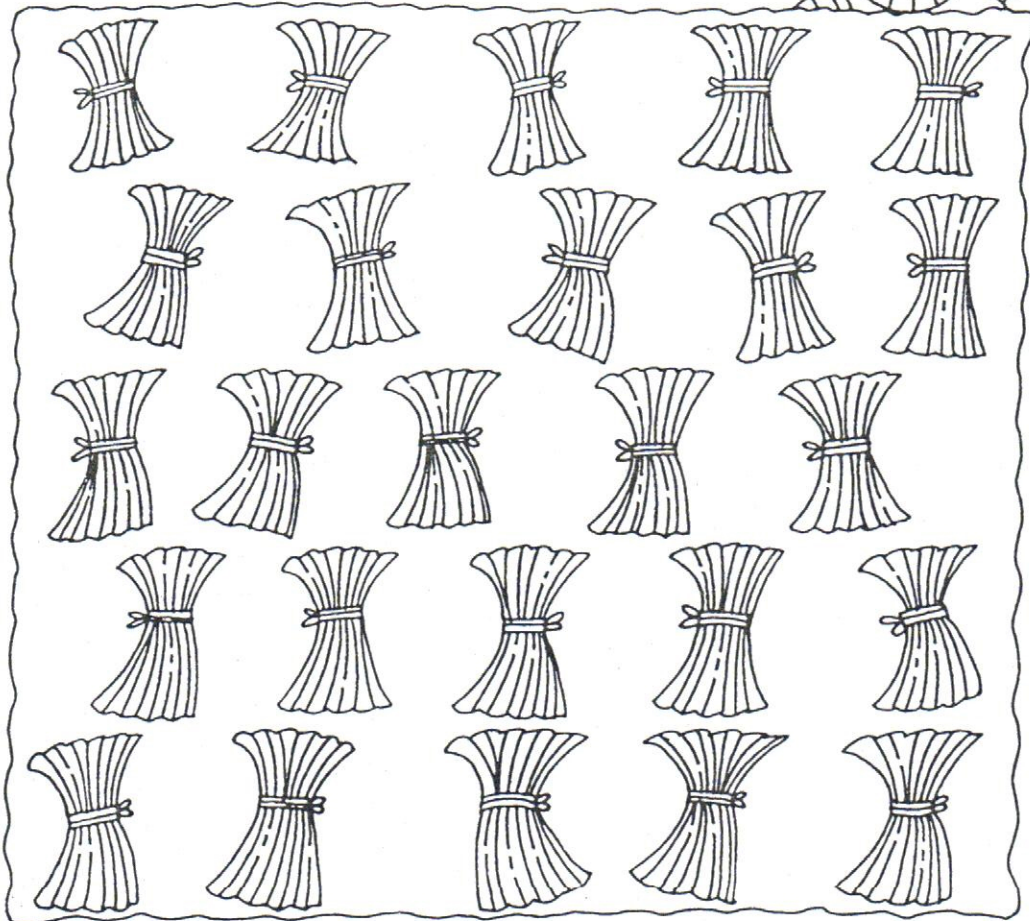


God's Word says: "God will give Pharaoh the answer he desires" (Genesis 41:16).

Who's in Charge?

Joseph spent seven years collecting and storing one-fifth of all of the crops that grew in Egypt. Color one-fifth of the wheat bundles, then answer the questions.

1. How many bundles of wheat are in the picture? _____
2. How many bundles equal $\frac{1}{5}$ of the wheat? _____
3. How many bundles equal $\frac{4}{5}$ of the wheat? _____



God's Word says: "So Pharaoh said to Joseph, 'I hereby put you in charge of the whole land of Egypt'" (Genesis 41:41).

The Dreamer

Color Joseph and the objects that were in his dreams. Do not color anything that was not part of his dreams.



God's Word says: "His brothers were jealous of him, but his father kept the matter in mind" (Genesis 37:11).

Who Said What?

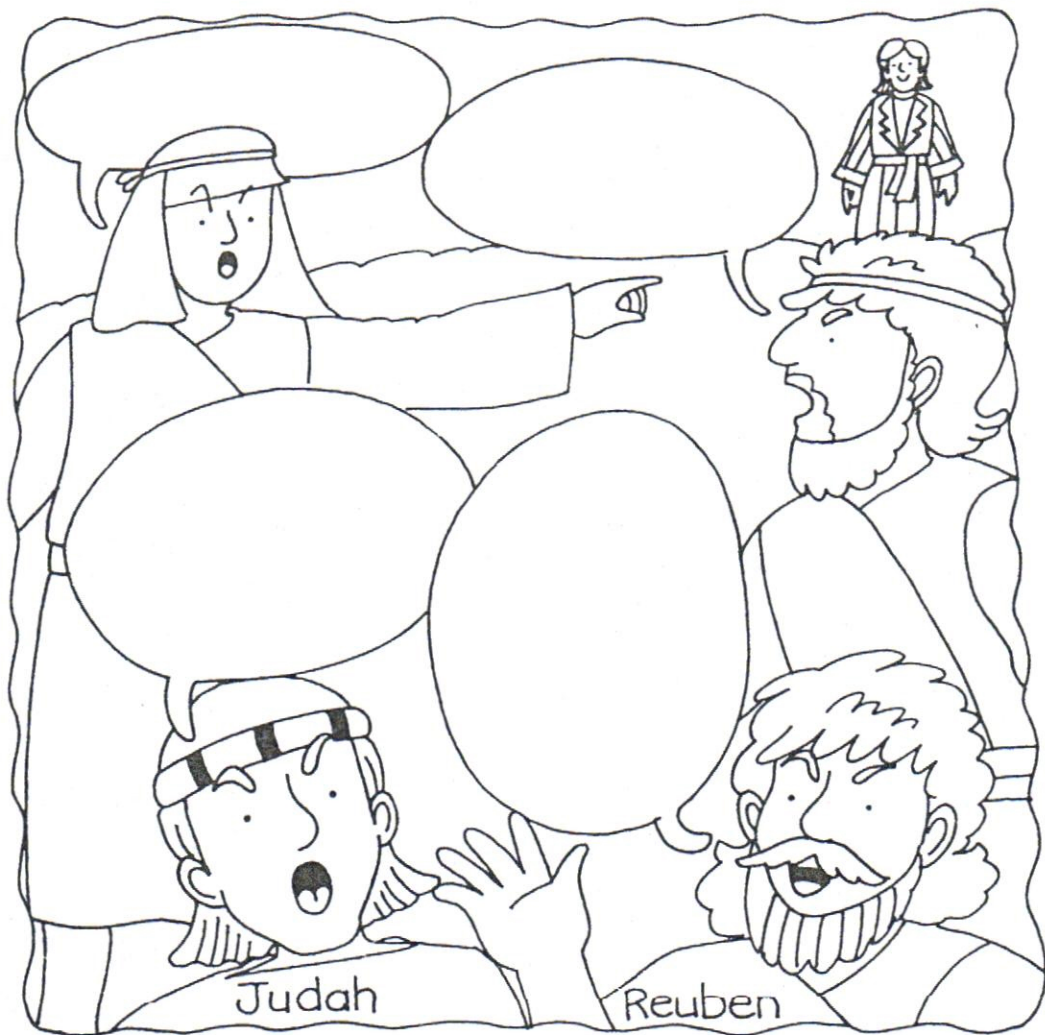
Who said what? Write the words where they belong.

"Let's throw him in a pit."

"Here comes the dreamer."

"Let's kill him."

"Let's sell him."



God's Word says: "So when the Midianite merchants came by, his brothers pulled Joseph up out of the cistern and sold him" (Genesis 37:28).

We Are All Brothers

Two of the brothers below are twins. Find the twins and color their robes the same color. Color the robes of each of the other brothers a different color.

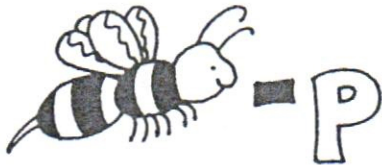
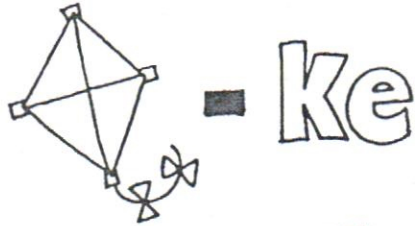


God's Word says: "Your servants have come to buy food. We are all the sons of one man. Your servants are honest men, not spies" (Genesis 42:10-11).

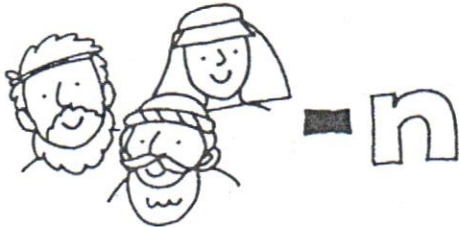
I Am Your Brother


Joseph forgave his brothers for selling him into slavery. To find out what he told them, use the picture clues to write the secret message.

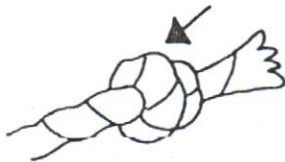
“Yes,



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God's Word says: "I am your brother Joseph, the one you sold into Egypt!"
(Genesis 45:4).

Color the sun, moon, stars, and grain.

Pointing brother: "Here comes the dreamer."

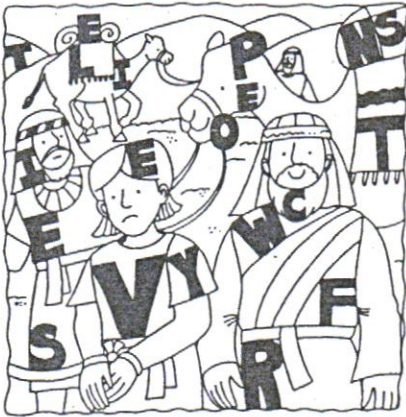
Other unnamed brother: "Let's kill him."

Reuben: "Let's throw him in a pit."

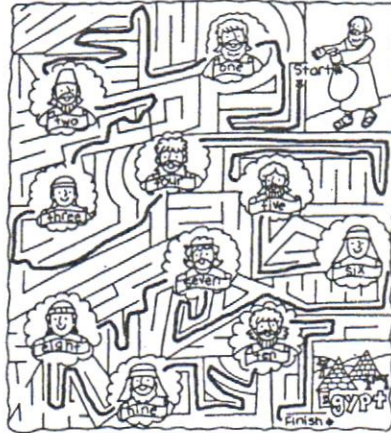
Judah: "Let's sell him."

Dream 1: seven fat cows and seven lean cows (Genesis 41:17-20)

Dream 2: seven full heads of grain and seven thin heads (Genesis 41:22-24)



1. 25 bundles
2. 5 bundles
3. 20 bundles



Twins: in row 1, brothers 1 and 4

"Yes, it was God who sent me here, not you!"