



Light of the WORLD

Learning English through the Bible

Unit A2-18



Pray, Review, and Preview

Bible Reading: The Deliverers – [Judges 6-8](#); [1 Samuel 8](#)

Theme: Sports

Pronunciation: /E/ spelled -ey and /f/ spelled ph

Grammar: Adverbs of Frequency and Intensifiers



What do you see?



1. Sports



2. baseball



5. net

6. volleyball



9. tennis



3. soccer



7. hockey



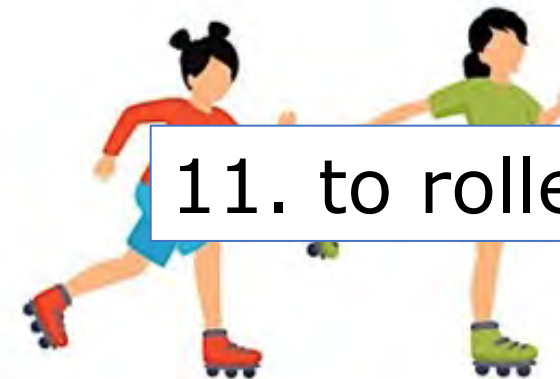
10. to ice skate



4. martial arts



8. basketball



11. to roller skate



Listen and repeat.

1



table tennis (or ping pong)

They are playing table tennis.

2



volleyball

They play volleyball very well.

3



basketball

They love to play basketball.

4

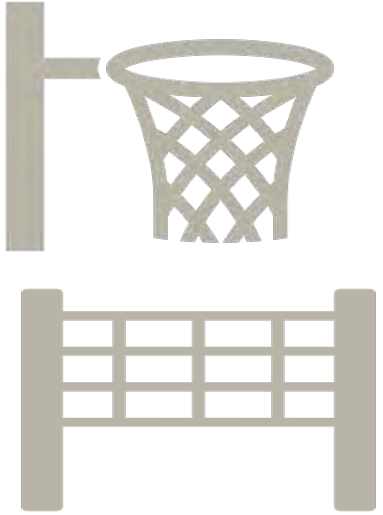





hockey

The hockey game was exciting.







Listen and repeat.

<p>5</p> 	<p>6</p> 	<p>7</p> 	<p>8</p> 
<p>a net</p>	<p>football (American football)</p>	<p>baseball</p>	<p>cricket</p>
<p>The ball went into the net.</p>	<p>He is throwing the football on the field.</p>	<p>He enjoys playing baseball.</p>	<p>He's playing cricket.</p>



Listen and repeat.

<p>9</p> 	<p>10</p> 	<p>11</p> 	<p>12</p> 
<p>to skate</p>	<p>to ski</p>	<p>to surf</p>	<p>to hit</p>
<p>They are roller skating together.</p>	<p>They are skiing on the snow.</p>	<p>They love to surf in the sea.</p>	<p>He hits the ball hard.</p>



How often do you _____?

Adverb	Frequency
always	100%
usually	80%
often	70%
sometimes	50%
rarely	20%
never	0%

Answers
I always play volleyball at the beach.



Intensifiers: Very, Really, So, Too

Intensifiers	Sentences
Very + -	1. God is always so good.
Really + -	2. I love playing hockey, it's _____ fun.
So + -	3. That basketball player is _____ tall.
Too - (negative only)	4. The weather today is _____ beautiful.
	5. He likes playing ping pong, it's very fast.
	6. I don't like playing ping pong, it's too fast.
	7. I never watch golf, it's _____ boring.





Listen and repeat.

A: What are you going to do this weekend?

B: I'm going to **play ping pong** with **some friends**.

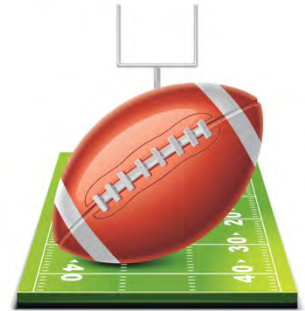
A: That sounds so **fun**! Do you **always** play **ping pong**?

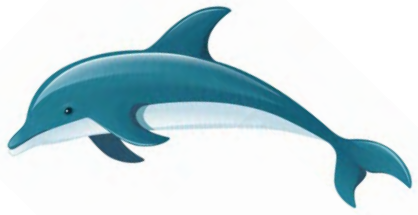
B: **Sometimes. Often**, we **play football**. What are you doing this weekend?

A: I'm going to **surf** with **my brother**.

B: That is really **cool**! Do you **surf very often**?

A: **Rarely**, but I wish I did it more often.





Listen and repeat.



1. /E/ spelled -ey	2. /f/ spelled ph	3. Challenge
money	phone	
hockey	photo	
honey	Joseph	
valley	pharmacy	
monkey	dolphin	

A. Joseph usually has a key to lock the pharmacy.

B. I have a photo on my phone of my sister playing volleyball.



Listen and repeat.



A. _____	B. _____	C. _____
surfs	hockey	volleyball
skis	football	basketball
nets	baseball	cricket bat
skates	cricket	Joshua



The Deliverers

[Judges 6-8](#); [1 Samuel 8](#)

After Joshua died, the Israelites disobeyed God. They did not obey God's laws, and they did not drive out the rest of the Canaanites from the Promised Land. The Israelites began to worship the Canaanite gods instead of Yahweh, the true God.


The Israelites had no king, so everyone did what they thought was right for themselves. Disobeying God became a pattern for the Israelites and they repeated it many times.



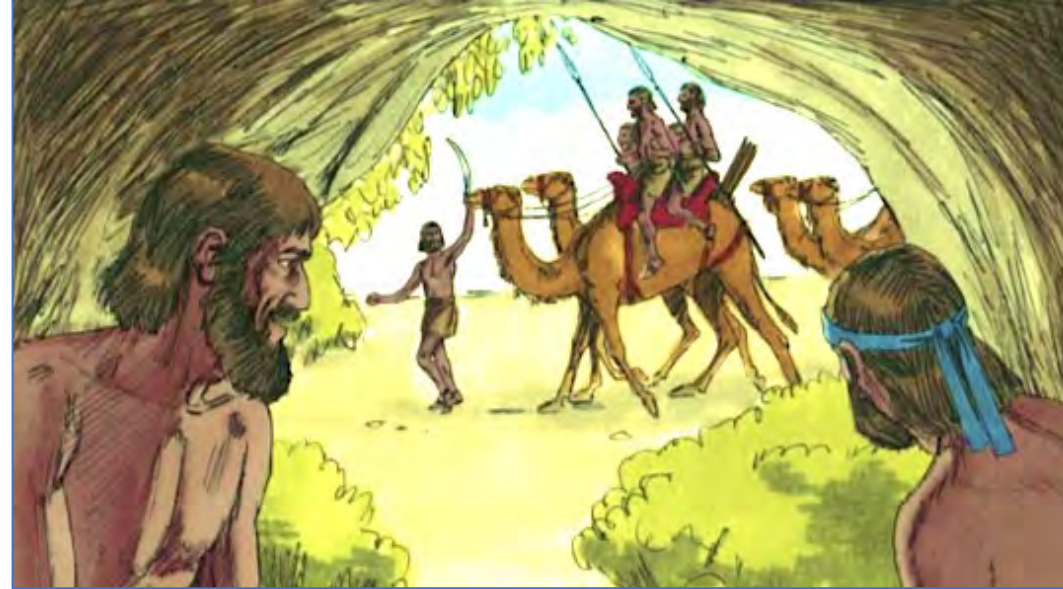
The pattern went like this: the Israelites disobeyed God for several years, then God punished them by letting their enemies defeat them. These enemies stole things, destroyed their land, and killed many of the Israelites.



Then after Israel's enemies punished them for many years, the Israelites repented of their sin and asked God to save them. Each time the Israelites repented, God rescued them. He did this by sending a deliverer — a person to fight against their enemies and defeat them. Then peace returned in the land and the deliverer ruled over them well. God sent many deliverers to rescue the Israelites.



God did this again after he allowed a nearby enemy group called the Midianites, to defeat the Israelites. The Midianites took all of the Israelites' crops for seven years. The Israelites were so afraid, they hid in caves. Finally, they cried out to God to save them.

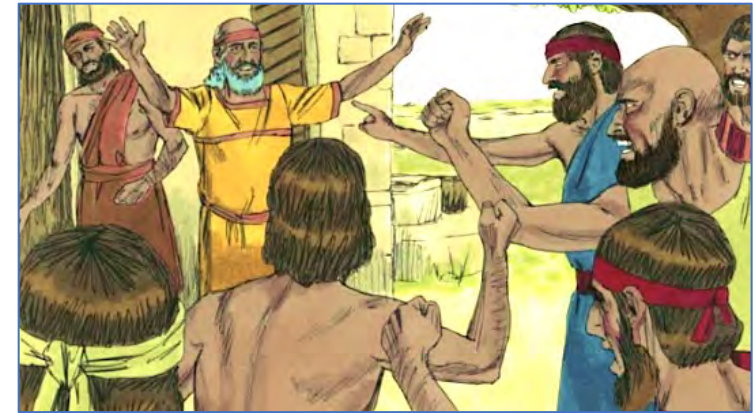


One day, an Israelite man named Gideon was gathering grain in a hidden place so the Midianites would not steal it. The angel of Yahweh came to Gideon and said, "God is with you, brave soldier. Go and save Israel from the Midianites."

Gideon's father had an altar for an idol. The first thing God told Gideon to do was to pull down that altar. Gideon was afraid of the people, so he waited until night, then he pulled down the altar and broke it to pieces. He built a new altar to God nearby and made an offering to God on it.



The next morning the people saw that someone had pulled down the altar, and they were very angry. They went to



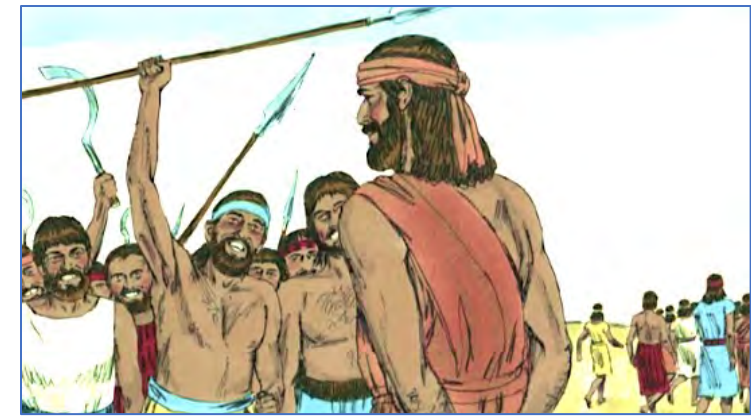
Gideon's house to kill him, but Gideon's father said, "Why are you trying to help your god? If he is a god, let him save himself!" Because he said this, the people did not kill Gideon.

Then the Midianites came again to steal from the Israelites. There were so many of them that they could not be counted. Gideon called the Israelites together to fight the Midianites.



Gideon asked God for two signs so he could be sure that God was really telling him to save Israel. For the first sign, Gideon put a sheepskin on the ground and asked God to let the morning dew fall only on the sheep skin and not on the ground. God did that. The next night, he asked that the ground be wet but the sheepskin dry. God did that, too. Because of these two signs, Gideon believed that God really wanted him to save Israel from the Midianites.

Gideon called for soldiers to come to him, and 32,000 men came. But God told him this was too many. So, Gideon sent home 22,000 men, all who were afraid to fight. God told Gideon that he still had too many men. So, Gideon sent all of them home except for 300 soldiers.



That night God told Gideon, "Go down to the Midianite camp and listen to them talk. When you hear what they say, you will no longer be afraid to attack them."



So that night, Gideon went to the camp and heard a Midianite soldier telling his friend about a dream he had.



The man's friend said, "This dream means that Gideon's army will defeat us, the Midianite army!" When Gideon heard this, he worshiped God.

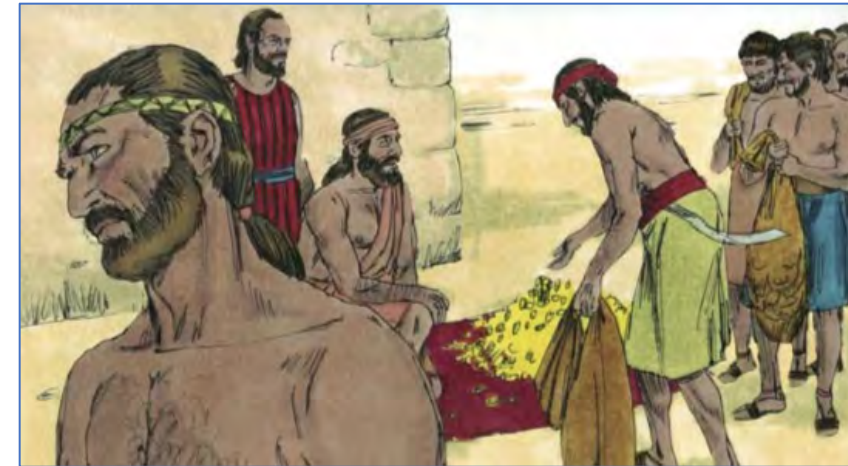



Then Gideon returned to his soldiers and gave each of them a horn, a clay pot, and a burning torch. They surrounded the camp where the Midianite soldiers were sleeping. Gideon's 300 soldiers had the torches in the pots so the Midianites could not see the light of the torches. Then, all of Gideon's soldiers broke their pots at the same time, revealing the fire of the torches. They blew their horns and shouted, "A sword for Yahweh and for Gideon!"





God confused the Midianites so that they started attacking and killing each other. Immediately, Gideon sent messengers to call many other Israelites to come from their homes and help chase the Midianites. They killed many of them and chased the rest of them out of Israelites' land. God made 120,000 Midianites die that day. This is how God saved Israel.





Then the people wanted to make Gideon their king. Gideon did not let them do this, but he asked them for some of the gold rings that each of them had taken from the Midianites. The people gave Gideon a lot of gold.



Then Gideon used the gold to make an ephod (a piece of clothing priests wore). But the people started worshiping the ephod like an idol. So God punished Israel again because they worshiped idols. God allowed their enemies to defeat them. They finally asked God for help again, and God sent them another deliverer to rescue them.



This same thing happened many times: the Israelites sinned, God punished them, they repented, and God sent someone to rescue them. Over many years, God sent many deliverers who saved the Israelites from their enemies.

Finally, the people asked God to give them a king like all the other nations had. They wanted a king who was tall and strong, and who could lead them into battle.

God did not like this, but he gave them a king just as they had asked.





Answer the questions.

1. What did God tell the Israelites to do to the Canaanites?
Why?
2. What happened because they disobeyed God?
3. What two signs did Gideon ask from God?
4. Why do you think that God kept helping Israel even when they were unfaithful?
5. Why did Gideon refuse to be a king over the Israelites?
6. What things distract you from worshiping God alone?



Listen and answer the questions.

1. Where is the zoo?
2. What will Abbey bring?
3. Why will the students get lots of exercise?
4. Which animals does Abbey want to take photos of?
5. What does Abbey want to be someday?





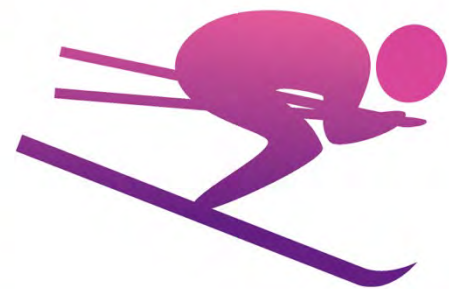
Write questions and ask your partner.

How often do you...	Answers (Always, usually, often, sometimes, rarely, never)
1. play <u>basketball</u> ?	I never play basketball. I prefer cricket.
2. listen to _____	
3. practice _____	
4. watch _____	
5. feel very _____	
6. _____ really fast	
7. _____ too _____	



Game – Sports Charades

Act out the vocabulary words.



1A. Homework – Write about the pictures using adverbs of frequency.

<p>1</p> 	<p>I always play table tennis with my sister when we're at home together.</p>	<p>4</p> 	
<p>2</p> 		<p>5</p> 	
<p>3</p> 		<p>6</p> 	

1B. Homework – Write about the pictures using intensifiers.

7 	My friend plays baseball very well.	10 	
8 		11 	
9 		12 	

2A. Rewrite each sentence with an adverb.

often

never

rarely

sometimes

usually

always

A. He plays football **only once a year**. He **rarely** plays football.

B. I skate **every day**.

C. **Once a week** we hit some tennis balls.

D. We play hockey **on weekdays**.

E. I skied **zero times** last year.

F. **Every night** we play ping pong.

G. He surfs **three times a week**.

2B. Use intensifiers to write sentences.

very

really

too

so

cool

warm

late

wet

afraid

dry

lonely

early

strong

brave

tall

1. Gideon felt **very afraid** but God helped him be **really brave**.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

7.

8.



3. Write questions and ask a partner.

Questions	Answers
1. Where do you <u>play basketball</u> ?	I sometimes play at school.
2. _____ cricket	
3. _____ football	
4. _____ usually _____	
5. _____ hit _____	
6. _____ a net _____	
7. _____ very _____	



4. Answer and say the sentences. Mark the /ey/ and /ph/ sounds.

A. Who do you talk to on the ph one?	I talk to my mother on the ph one.
B. Do you see donkeys or dolphins?	
C. What do you need a key for?	
D. Do you like to take photos?	
E. Do you like honey in your tea?	
F. Who was the Pharoah?	
G. Do you like hockey or volleyball?	



5. Bible Review – Write about Gideon.

Who was Gideon? What did God want him to do? How are you like Gideon? How are you different from him?

Gideon was

God wanted him to

So Gideon

Then Gideon

I am like Gideon because

I am different from him because



6A. Choose 1 Verse to Memorize

A “The Lord turned toward Gideon and said, “Then use your great power and go save the Israelites from the Midianites. I am sending you to save them.”

[Judges 6:14 ERV](#)

B “You men surround the enemy camp. I and all the men with me will blow our trumpets. When we blow our trumpets, you blow your trumpets too. Then shout these words: ‘For the Lord and for Gideon!’ ”

[Judges 7:18 ERV](#)



6B. Choose 1 verse to memorize and read the next verses.

C

“I always remember your faithful love. I depend on your faithfulness.”

[Psalm 26:3 ERV](#)

- Read the next lesson’s Bible verses: [1 Samuel 10; 15-19; 24; 31](#), and [2 Samuel 5; 7; 11-12](#) in your language.



7A. Read and answer the questions.

The Olympic Games

Every four years, the best athletes from around the world compete in the Olympic Games, also known as the Olympics.



The tradition of these games began thousands of years ago in Greece. Now they are hosted in different countries. The Summer Olympics is held two years before the Winter Olympics. Although only a few people are good enough to qualify for the Olympic teams, millions of people watch the games and cheer for the players. The Olympic motto is "Faster, Stronger, Higher."

The Winter Olympics always has ice and snow sports such as hockey, skiing and ice skating. The Summer Olympics has sports like volleyball, basketball, table tennis, gymnastics and swimming. Players usually practice for many years for the chance to compete and win. The winners receive gold medals and bring honor to their countries. It's really exciting to watch the games!



7B. Answer the questions about the Olympics.



- A. Why do athletes compete in the Olympics?
- B. When and where did the Olympics start?
- C. Why do people like to watch the games?
- D. What is the difference between the Summer and Winter Olympics?
- E. Why do you think the motto is “Faster, Stronger, Higher”?
- F. Which Olympic events would you like to watch? Why?



8. Write about an activity you like.

Write 10 sentences about your favorite sport or activity.



9. Homework – Now I Can...

- I can talk about sports.
- I can understand, say, read, and write the 12 vocabulary words.
- I can use “always, usually, often, sometimes, rarely, never” to tell how frequently I do something.
- I can understand the faithfulness of God.

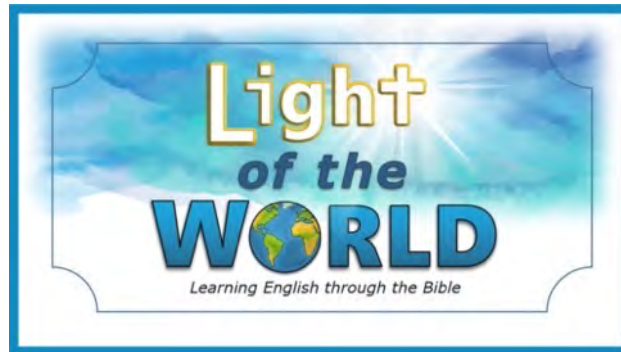


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