



# Light of the WORLD

*Learning English through the Bible*

Unit A2-27



# Pray, Review, and Preview

**Bible Reading:** John baptizes Jesus - [Matthew 3:1-17](#), [John 1:19-34](#)

**Theme:** Describing people's personalities and appearances

**Pronunciation:** /m/ spelled mb and /n/ spelled gn

**Grammar:** Be/Have/Wear in the past, present and future.



# What do you see?





# Describing People

1. curly hair



2. pregnant



3. a toddler



4. funny



5. straight hair



6. elderly

7. people with disabilities

8. teenagers





# Listen and repeat.

**1**

Age 1 - 3



a toddler

The toddler is learning to walk.

**2**

Age 13-19



a teenager

The teenager wears a blue cap.

**3**

Age 40-60



middle-aged

The middle-aged woman is 45.

**4**

Age 60+







elderly

The elderly couple has gray hair.



# Listen and repeat.

<p>5</p> 	<p>6</p> 	<p>7</p> 	<p>8</p> 
<p>curly</p>	<p>straight</p>	<p>humble</p>	<p>proud</p>
<p>He has curly brown hair.</p>	<p>She has straight red hair.</p>	<p>The humble man washes the guest's feet.</p>	<p>The proud man thinks he is great.</p>

# Listen and repeat.

9



10



11



12



funny

serious

pregnant

a disability

The boy is very funny. He makes us laugh.

The young man is serious.

She is eight months pregnant.

She has a disability. She cannot see.

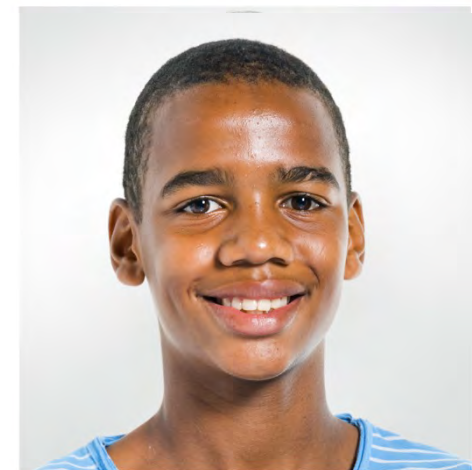


# Match the description with the person.

1. Sam is a teenager who loves to play video games and study English. He has large brown eyes and short hair. He is humble and smart.

2. Charles is middle-aged and very funny. He has dark hair and is the father of two toddlers. He works as an engineer at a plastics factory.

3. Joe is elderly and is very serious. He has blue eyes and straight hair. He wears glasses. He has a disability and uses a wheelchair.







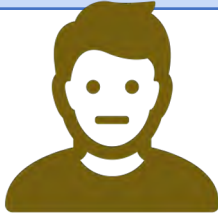

# Be, Have, and Wear

	Attribute	Verb	Examples
1	age, height, weight, personality	be	<b>Was</b> he humble? They <b>weren't</b> tall. She <b>will be</b> a teenager soon.
2	hair, eyes, disability	have	She <b>has</b> brown hair, blue eyes and <b>has</b> a hearing disability. He <b>had</b> straight hair.
3	clothes, glasses	wear	She <b>is wearing</b> an orange shirt and sunglasses. We <b>wore</b> ties last night.





# Complete the sentences in the correct tense.

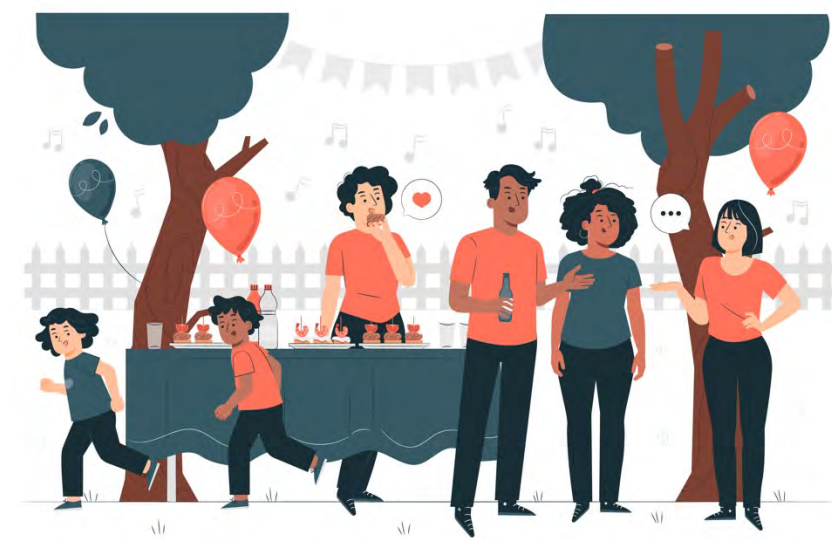
	Simple Past	Simple Present	Future
1	I <b>was</b> serious.	I <b>am</b> serious. 	I <b>will be</b> serious.
2			He'll <b>wear</b> glasses.
3			We <b>will be</b> elderly.
4	She <b>had</b> curly hair.		
5		They <b>wear</b> boots. 	



# Appearance: Look Like / Personality: Be Like

	Question	Sentence
1	What does he <b>look</b> like?	He is middle-aged and has brown eyes.
2	What <b>is</b> he like?	He is serious and quiet.
3	What did she <b>look</b> like?	She was young and had blond hair.
4	What <b>was</b> she like?	She was funny and kind.
5	What do you look like?	
6	What are you like?	

# Listen and repeat.



A: Thanks for inviting me to this party! I want to meet your **brother**.

B: **He's** over there. **He's** the **middle-aged man wearing glasses**.

A: Which one? Does he have **curly** or **straight** hair?

B: He has **straight** hair and **he's** wearing **a blue shirt**.




A: I see **him** now. What's **he** like?

B: **He's** usually **very serious and quiet, just like me**.





# Listen and repeat.

1. /m/ spelled mb	2. /n/ spelled gn	3. Challenge
lamb 	sign	
thumb	foreign	
climb	assignment	
comb 	gnat 	


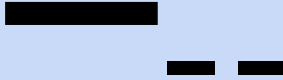

A. When I climbed over the fence, a lamb bit my thumb!

B. Didn't you read the sign? It says, "Do not climb."





# Listen and repeat.

<b>A.</b> 	<b>B.</b> 	<b>C.</b> 
pregnant	teenager	Messiah
humble	elderly	Describe her.
curly	serious	It's funny.
funny	baptism	We had them.
toddlers	sunglasses	She wore it.

# John baptizes Jesus.

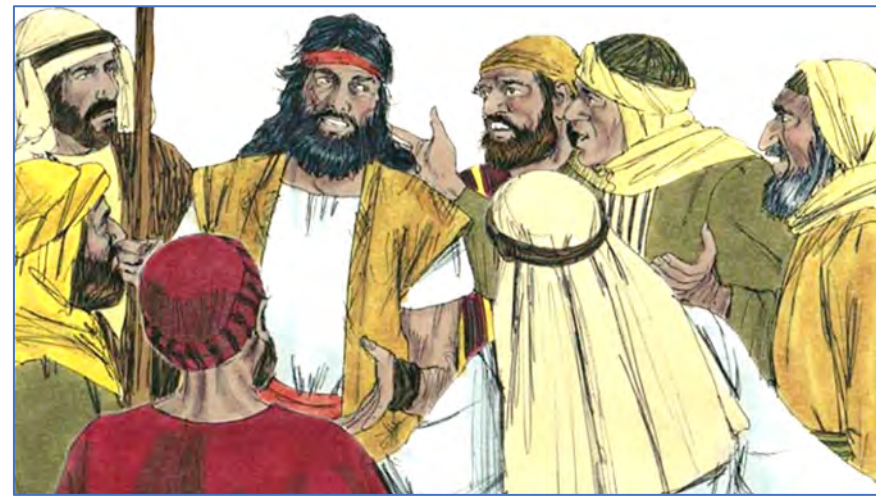
[Matthew 3:1-17](#), [John 1:19-34](#)

John, the son of Zechariah and Elizabeth, grew up and became a prophet. He lived in the wilderness and ate wild honey and locusts. He wore clothes made from camel hair and a leather belt around his waist.



Many people came out to the desert to listen to John. He told them a message from God. John said, "Change your hearts and lives, because God's kingdom is now very near."


John is the one Isaiah the prophet was talking about when he said, "There is someone shouting in the desert: 'Prepare the way for the Lord. Make the road straight for him.'"



When people heard John's message, many of them confessed the bad things they had done, and John baptized them in the Jordan River.

Many proud religious leaders also came to see John, but they did not change, confess, or repent. John said to them, "You are all snakes! Who warned you to run from God's judgment that is coming? Change your hearts! And show by the way you live that






you have changed. God will cut down every tree that does not produce good fruit and he will throw them into the fire.”



Some religious leaders asked John if he was the Messiah. John replied, “I am not the Messiah, but he is coming after me. He is so great that I am not good enough to untie his sandals.

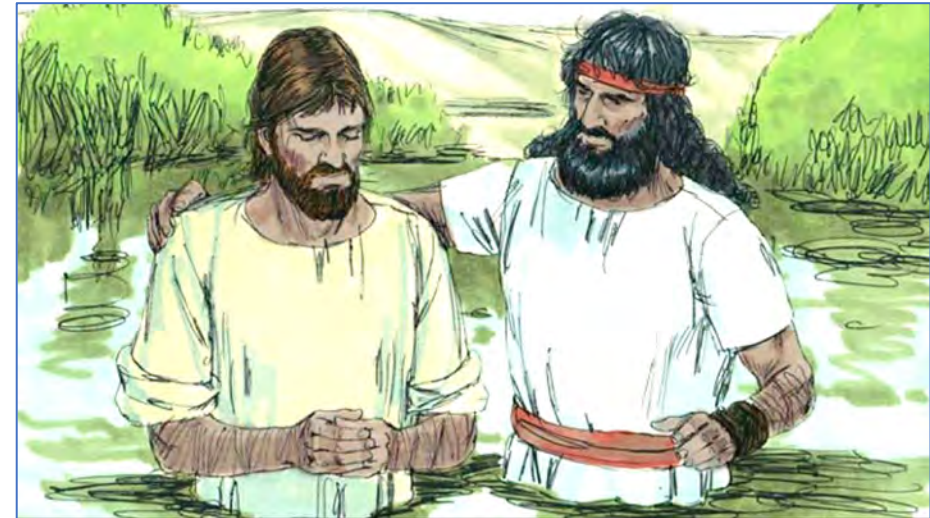
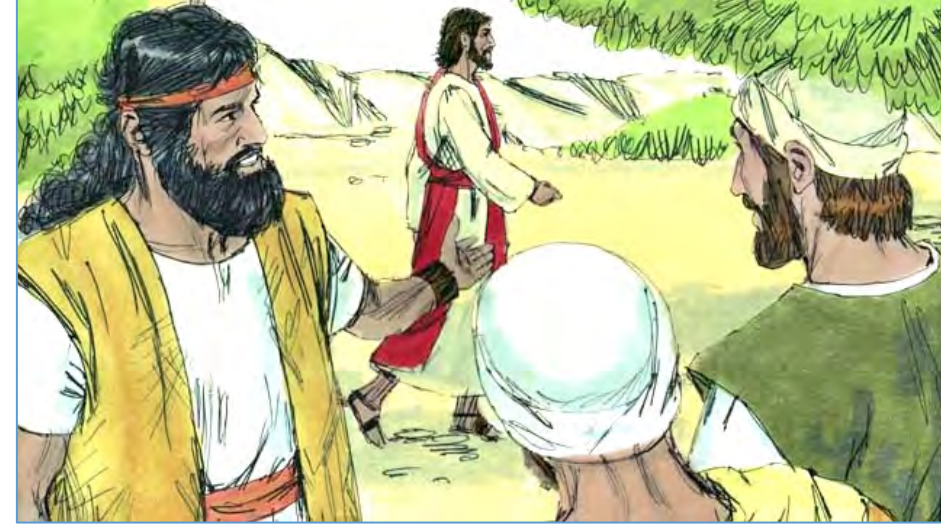
I baptize you with water to show that you have changed your hearts and lives. But he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.”



The next day, Jesus came for John to baptize him. When John saw Jesus, he said, "Look! There is the Lamb of God who will take away the sin of the world."

John said to Jesus, "I am not worthy to baptize you. You should baptize me instead."

But Jesus said, "You should baptize me, because it is the right thing to do." So John baptized Jesus.





When Jesus came up out of the water after being baptized, the Spirit of God appeared in the form of a dove and came down and rested on him. At the same time, God spoke from heaven. God said,



“This is my Son. I love him, and I am very pleased with him.”

God had told John, “The Holy Spirit will come down and stay on someone you baptize. That person is the Son of God.”

There is only one God. But when John baptized Jesus, he heard God the Father speak, saw God the Son, who is Jesus, and he saw the Holy Spirit. John knew that Jesus is the Son of God.





# Answer the questions.



1. What message from God did John share with the people?
2. Where did John baptize people?
3. Why did John baptize people?
4. What did the voice of God say when Jesus was baptized?
5. Why do people need to change their hearts and lives?
6. Were you or anyone you know baptized? What do you think about baptism?





# Listen and answer the questions.

1. Why can't the visitor read the sign?
2. What does the sign say?
3. Why does a thief climb the fence?
4. Why does the shepherd put oil on the sheep?
5. Who protects and feeds the sheep?
6. What do the sheep know?

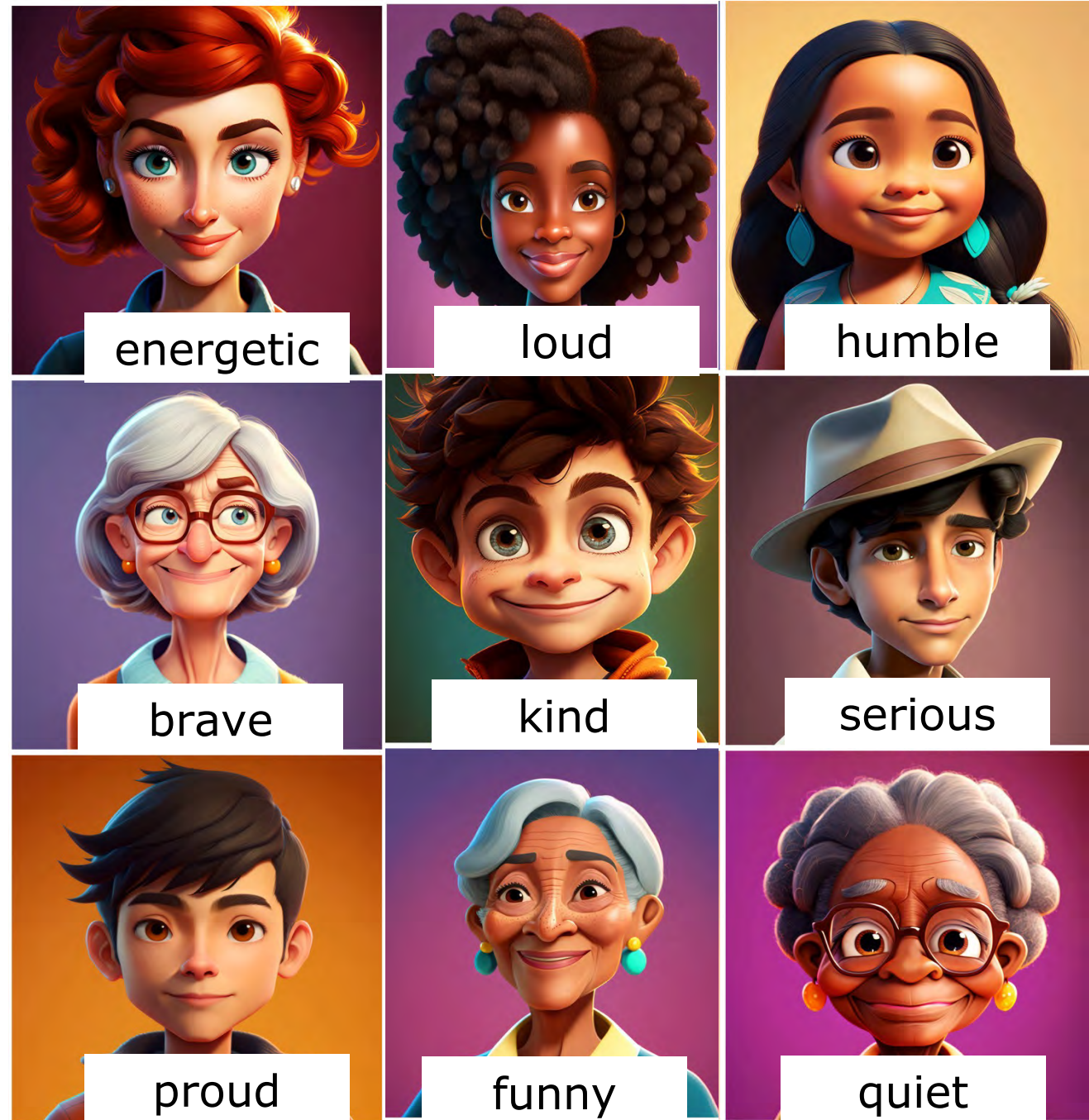


# A. Complete the chart with your partner

A. Who's the girl with straight black hair and brown eyes?

B. Her name is Lisa. What's her personality like?

A. She is humble.



		Lisa is humble.



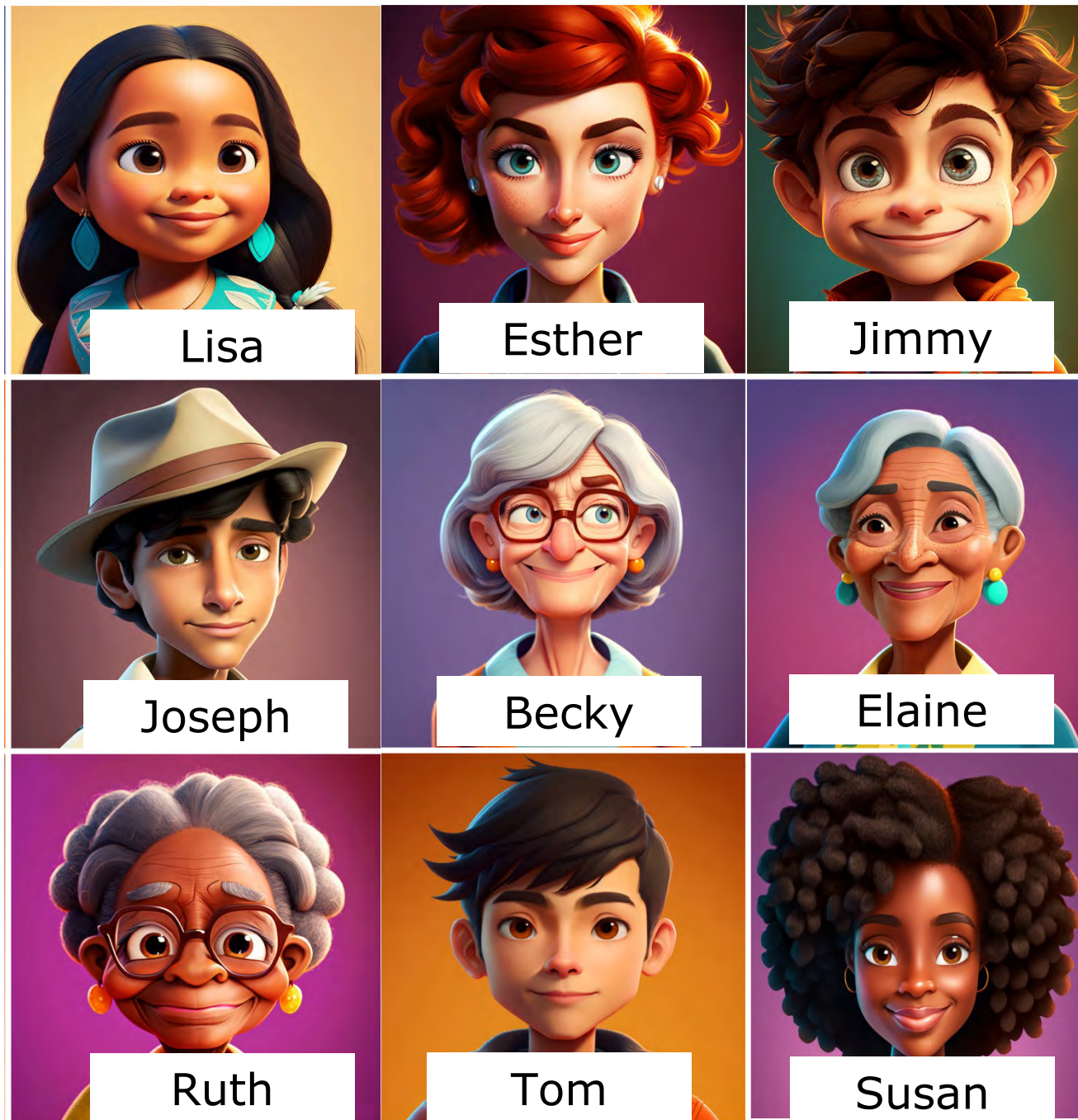


# B. Complete the chart with your partner

A. Who is the girl with straight black hair and brown eyes?

B. Her name is Lisa. What's her personality like?

A. She is humble.



Lisa is humble.		



# Song: This is My Son

The crowd along the Jordan  
Heard the prophet say,  
"Repent. Come and wash your sins away."  
But why was Jesus standing there,  
The Holy, Righteous One?  
"Let it be," He said "That righteousness be done."  
He rose up from the water.  
The heavens opened wide.  
The Spirit descended.  
The Voice from heaven cried:







"This is my Son, whom I love. With Him I'm well-pleased.  
This is my Son, whom I love from all eternity.  
For I am His Father; He is My Son.  
This is my Son, whom I love for all eternity."









By Michael A. Schmid, TrueVineMusic.com



# 1A. Homework – Write about the pictures with the past simple form of **Be**, **Have** or **Wear**.

<p>1</p> 	<p>He was a teenager and he wore white shoes. He didn't have long hair.</p>	<p>4</p> 	
<p>2</p> 		<p>5</p> 	
<p>3</p> 	<p>©2020-2023 Literacy International</p>	<p>6</p> 	<p>25</p>

# 13. Homework – Write **questions** about the pictures with the **present simple** form of **Be, Have** or **Wear**.

7 	Does she have straight hair? Is she a child?	10 	
8 		11 	
9 	©2020-2023 Literacy International	12 	26



## 2. Describe the people.



1 The baby wears a blue diaper and has very little hair. He sits on the floor.

5

2

6

3

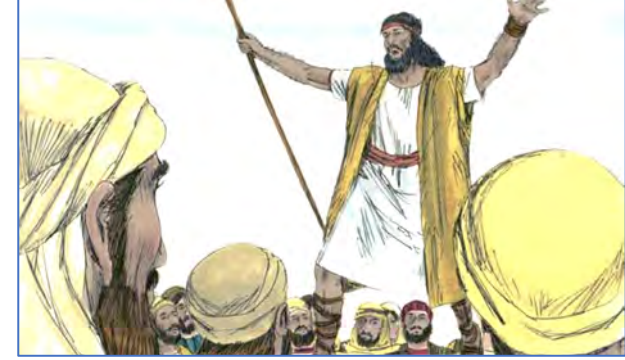
7

4

8



## 2. Fill in the blanks with a form of **be/have/wear**.



- A. John \_\_\_\_\_ a leather belt and camel hair clothes.
- B. John didn't \_\_\_\_\_ fancy clothes or live in a fancy house.
- C. John \_\_\_\_\_ humble, he \_\_\_\_\_ proud.
- D. Many of the religious leaders John spoke to \_\_\_\_\_ proud.
- E. Tomorrow I \_\_\_\_\_ my new blue shirt to work.
- F. The elderly man usually \_\_\_\_\_ glasses to read.
- G. My son \_\_\_\_\_ curly hair when he was a toddler.



### 3. Ask your partner.

Questions	Answers
1. What is <b>your father</b> like?	He is serious and kind.
2. _____ teenagers _____	
3. _____ funny _____	
4. _____ elderly _____	
5. _____ you proud _____	
6. _____ look like	
7. _____ wearing _____	



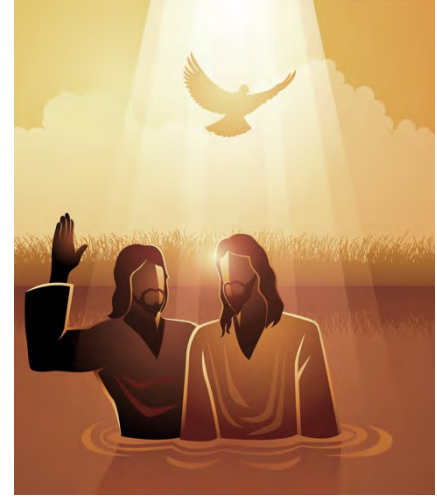


## 4. Answer and say the sentences. Mark the /m/ and /n/ sounds.

A. Did you read the warning sign?	Yes, I always read the signs!
B. Is Jesus still in the tomb?	
C. A baby sheep is a lamb. What is your favorite baby animal?	
D. What is an easy assignment?	
E. Do you like to climb trees?	
F. Which foreign country would you like to visit? Why?	



## 5. Bible Reading Review



1. Who was John the Baptist? Who were his parents?
2. What did John say to the proud religious leaders?
3. John said, "God will cut down every tree that does not produce fruit." What do you think that means?
4. What did John say about Jesus?
5. What did you learn from the story?
6. How can you produce good fruit?



## 6A. Choose 1 verse to memorize.

**A**

A proud person will soon be ruined, but a humble person will be honored.

[Proverbs 18:12 ERV](#)

**B**

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God. He takes away the sins of the world!"

[John 1:29 ERV](#)



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

C

As Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw the sky torn open. The Spirit came down on him like a dove. A voice came from heaven and said, “You are my Son, the one I love. I am very pleased with you.”

[Mark 1:10-11 ERV](#)

- Read the next lesson’s Bible verses: [Matthew 4:1-11](#) and [Luke 4:1-13](#) in your language.



## 7A. Read and answer the questions.

### Joni Eareckson Tada



When Joni Eareckson Tada was a teenager, she went to a lake. She dove head first into the water, but it was not deep, and she hit her head on the bottom of the lake. She was underwater and could not get out. Finally, her sister pulled her out of the water. Joni could breathe, but she could not move her arms or legs.

At the hospital, doctors found that Joni's neck was broken. She was paralyzed and could not move her arms or legs. This disability would never change. She would need to use a wheelchair for the rest of her life. Joni was very sad and upset at this news. For several months, Joni was depressed and did not want to continue living.





Then, she remembered that before the accident, she had prayed that God would help her to become a better person. She began to study the Bible, and she read what God says about pain, suffering, and healing.

Although she could not move her arms or legs, Joni could hold a paintbrush in her mouth. She painted beautiful pictures. She also wrote books for children and adults. She started a ministry called Joni and Friends that helps people with disabilities in many countries. She also recorded songs and a radio program.

Now, Joni is elderly. In 2022 she turned 73 and is still helping people from her wheelchair. Joni says, "I have discovered that God can heal. He does heal. But he is not required to heal... He has shown me that my suffering is part of a better plan... For the weaker I am, the harder I must lean on God!"



## **7B. Answer the questions about Joni.**

1. How was Joni hurt?
2. What did she remember?
3. What skills did she have?
4. Besides pictures, what other things has Joni created?
5. What is the name of her ministry?
6. What does her ministry do?
7. What did God show Joni?
8. Who do you know that has a disability? How can you help?



# What other words can you use to describe people?

	<b>Life Stage</b>	<b>Personality</b>	<b>Eyes</b>	<b>Hair</b>
1	middle-aged	brave	brown	curly
2	young	proud	big	straight
3	a child	peaceful	round	black
4				
5				
6				
7				
8				

# 3. Writing - Describe a person you admire.





## 9. Now I Can...

- I can describe people.
- I can understand, say, read, and write the 12 vocabulary words.
- I can use Be, Have, and Wear in the past, present and future tenses.
- I can understand what God said at Jesus' baptism.



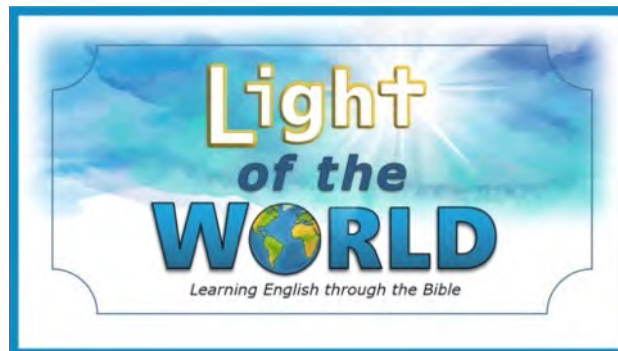


# Closing Prayer

# Help us share the Light of the World!

Thank you for using our materials. If these lessons are a blessing to you, please consider [giving](#) to help others learn English through the Bible.

For more information, visit [LiteracyInternational.net](https://LiteracyInternational.net)



# Appendix



- How to Use Lessons: [bit.ly/UsingLOTW](https://bit.ly/UsingLOTW)
- Irregular Verb List: [bit.ly/IrregVerb](https://bit.ly/IrregVerb)
- Lesson Downloads: [bit.ly/DownloadLOTW](https://bit.ly/DownloadLOTW)
- Order Books: [bit.ly/3PIPuRg](https://bit.ly/3PIPuRg)
- Share Your Feedback: [bit.ly/FeedbackLOTW](https://bit.ly/FeedbackLOTW)
- Table of Contents: [bit.ly/ContentsLOTW](https://bit.ly/ContentsLOTW)
- Video Channel: [youtube.com/c/LiteracyInternational](https://youtube.com/c/LiteracyInternational)
- Videos A2 Lessons: [bit.ly/A2LessonVideos](https://bit.ly/A2LessonVideos)
- Vocabulary List: [bit.ly/VocabLOTW](https://bit.ly/VocabLOTW)
- Website: [LiteracyInternational.net](https://LiteracyInternational.net)

# Acknowledgements

We would like to thank the entire Light of the World volunteer team for their hard work and creativity in making this project possible. For all those around the world who prayed, wrote, edited, narrated, illustrated, sang, tested, and gave generously for this curriculum, we appreciate you sharing the love of Jesus through the gift of English. Our team members include:

Anonymous	EasyReadEnglish.com	Nancy Kingdon	Amy Martin	Ashlyn Shrimplin
Jean Ato	Don Edic	Dorothy Konadu	Diana Martz	Leah Sprague
Bradley Baurain	Peggy Fergus	Macy Lake	Christy McPherson	Macie Stuckman
Joshua Blake	MaryBeth Gahan	Martha Lane	Tracy Meddaugh	Carole Svensson
Rachael Braggs	Melina Gallo	Audrey Larsen	Barbara Newsome	Ellie Talalight
Larry Buell	Alicia Gentile	Tai Young Lee	Brenda Nielsen	Peter Talalight
Cindy Campbell	Prakash Chandra Giri	Aden Lewis	Danielle Nowe	Weston Talalight
Christian Cha	Ellenor Gopal	Bruce Lewis	Deborah O'Donnell	Rachel Tamang
Olivia Cheney	Jill Gramzow	Elena Lewis	Georg Ort	Darrell Turner
Hannah Clark	Rachel Grijincu	James Lewis	Martha Ort	Graham Whitmore
Nancy Cobb	Carol Hale	Micah Beth Lewis	Deb Payne	Cheri Wilke
Emily Cox	Emily Hamilton	Tim Lewis	Linda Petrie	Mackenzie Williams
Marilyn Dano	Patty Hickman	Ward Lewis	Joan Phelps	Muchun Yin
Susanna Diallo	Lyudmila Ivanyuk	Johnny Lukashevich	Sara Scazero	Ted York
Alyssa Dokolas	Debbie Johnson	Gail MacMillan	Hannah Schmokel	Anita Zeifert
Hephzi Davidson	Carey Jo Johnston	Ivan Mader		

Bible story and pictures on slides 15-20 and 28 adapted from the original work by unfoldingWord available from <https://openbiblestories.org>