

LET CREATION SPEAK

**Using Puppets
in Unit Studies**



**MISS FITZ
PUPPETS**



Parent Page

- ▶ Let Creation Speak, using puppets in a unit study
- ▶ Created to be customized: one student or entire family
- ▶ Designed for you to make it work for your family
- ▶ One size fits all curriculum- with you making it fit
- ▶ You, as your children's best teacher, know what will work for your child
- ▶ Use your imagination to help your students use theirs!
- ▶ The information spoken by you or from a book doesn't stick as well as if a character like a donkey says the same thing!
- ▶ Build on that principle!

Most of this information will be available on my web site after this weekend, since it will not be possible to take notes on all of this today.

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The PLAN... Choose an animal or animals, puppet or other



Gather supplies



Make assignments: who sews, who researches, who writes, etc



Each one does his/her work with help as needed



When tasks are completed, you now have a smart puppet, rather than a smart phone, that can teach Bible truths, and you proceed to do that!



▶ Assignments

Assignments:

Sewing (if making puppet)

Research person or persons

Bible search person

Design line person

Settle what method of presentation the
script writer will use

Music or sound effects person

History person if needed (Egypt)

Performer

Audience (shortest folks 😊)

God's Design Line

Bones and tongues and wonder nets
and specialized saliva yet!

Solar spots and built-in goggles

Bone design that does not wobble

Stripes to defend them from the bugs,

Animals you want to give hugs and hugs

The more you learn the more you KNOW

God designed this entire show!

Methods to use puppets in teaching design line

1. Position, presentation and care of puppet
2. Question and answer session, with puppet answering the questions
3. Direct story telling
4. Just the facts, either by the design line or--
5. Bible facts about this animal or combination of the two see “Did you Know?”
6. To tell the truth..
7. I wonder if...

Examples of Design Line Facts:

Live Fun!

Examples with tongue:

Giraffe
tongue
length,
color, and
special
saliva



Dog Tongue

How cool is that ?

Why does a dog's
tongue hang out of
its mouth after a lot
of exercise?

A dog's tongue
increases in size
because of greater
blood flow.

As moisture on the
tongue works to cool
the extra blood flow,
it cools the dog!



Cow
tongue-
how it
bites grass
or not!

DID YOU KNOW? FIND OUT MORE!

- ▶ That a horse has five pumps to circulate his blood?
- ▶ That a hound's facial wrinkles help keep his sense of smell focused?
- ▶ That a crocodile has built in goggles to be able to see under water?
- ▶ That a beaver has built-in goggles for that purpose as well?
- ▶ That a dragon fly's wings beat 1,600 or more times a minute?
- ▶ That a dragon fly can see All around it? Almost 360 degrees?
- ▶ That a horse has a hole in his knee that helps to make his legs strong? Look up foramen.(AIG article)
- ▶ That a deer is a ruminant?
- ▶ That cows often have a best friend?
- ▶ That a giraffe has a nuchal ligament, and what is that?

To Tell the Truth, or Who IS Telling the Truth? Can even be a version of a detective theme

- ▶ Each animal says: I eat 75 pounds of Acacia leaves and thorns in a day. Which one is telling the truth?
- ▶ I bite off the grass that I eat with my upper teeth?
- ▶ I can smell things from six miles away!
- ▶ I can kill a lion with my kick!
- ▶ Investigate: Which animal is telling the truth?
- ▶ In response to the biting grass, if it is the cow saying it, it isn't true. Find out why
- ▶ Of the animals shown, (cow, giraffe or dinosaur), for instance, Which one would be telling the truth about smelling at such a distance?

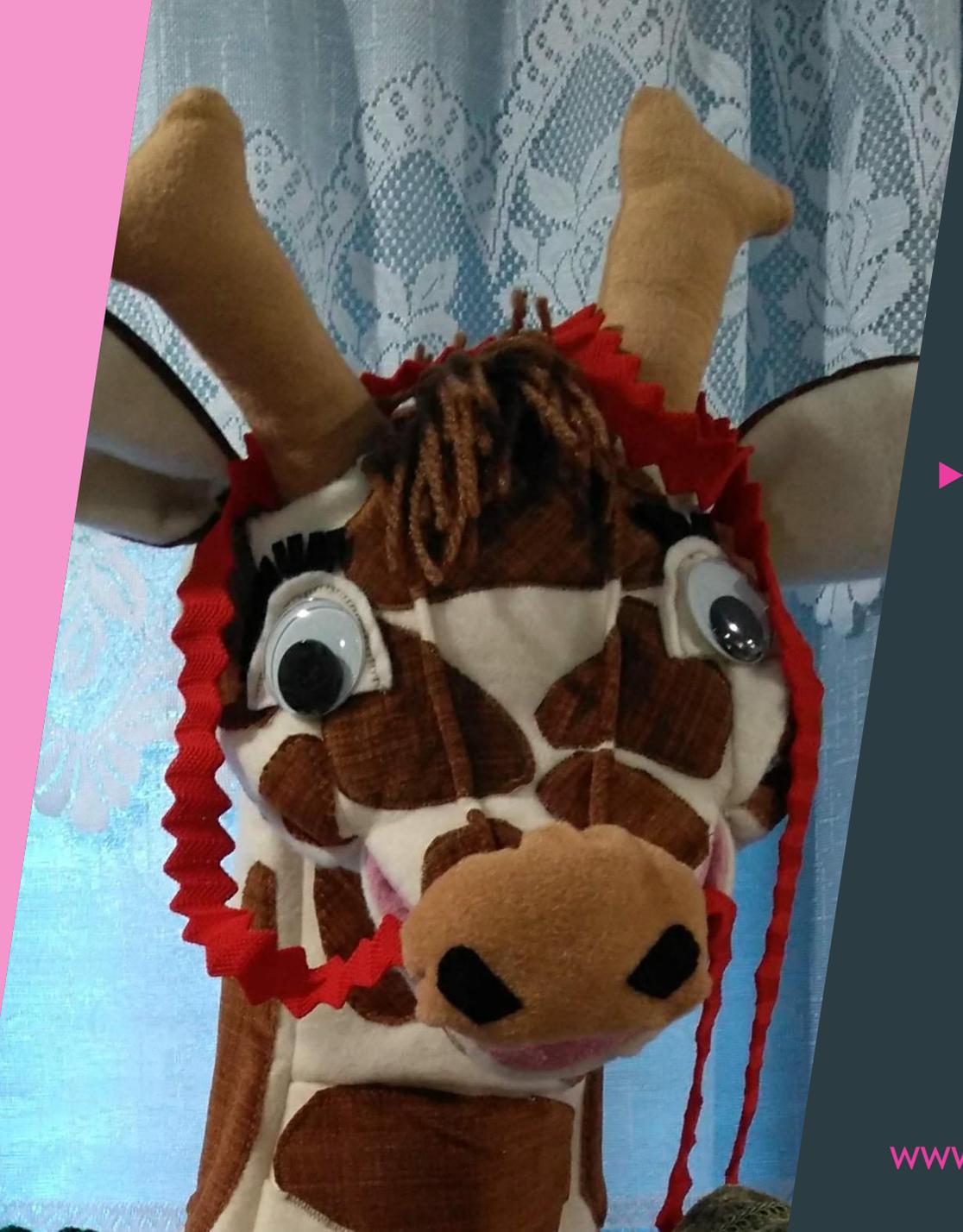


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- 17-18 feet tall
- likes to eat leaves and thorns
- has special cooling spots
- a huge heart, (2 ½ feet long, sometimes weighing 20 pounds)
- one-way valves from heart to brain
- can run up to 35 miles per hour
- can kill a lion with a kick

Do you want to know more? Look it up!

A Giraffe, of course!



Gerry, the giraffe, trying to figure out his cooling system

- ▶ Each spot on a giraffe is different, and each one has a large blood vessel around its border that branches off into smaller blood vessels into the spot. To get cooler, a giraffe sends blood to the smaller blood vessels in the middle of the spot, which radiates heat away from its body. If the giraffe is cold, the blood is not sent into the smaller vessels. How did this process evolve? It didn't, of course! It is God's design line!

Find the Design Line: Giraffe

- ▶ How do you hold up a 500 pound neck and head?
- ▶ Who knew that a giraffe is born with baby booties on?
- ▶ Would you like to be born and suddenly drop at least 6 feet to the ground instantly?
- ▶ The giraffe tongue acts as a tool to strip all leaves from a branch in one sweep.
- ▶ How can a giraffe safely eat huge thorns? A thorn in that long throat! Ouch! But no, there is a design that works. What is it?
- ▶ Eyesight of a TALLLLLLLL animal is awesome
- ▶ Special wonder net and valves protect this animal. How?
- ▶ A tongue that is prehensile Pre-who? Capable of grasping
- ▶ A giraffe's neck is too short. What? It cannot reach the ground to drink, but the design works for it to get that drink and no headache! How?



Cow
Now

Cows in pattern: meet Chocolate Chip, Fussy Bossy, Milkshake, and the Ox



- ▶ This is Chocolate Chip, the Holstein cow puppet that you can make with the cow pattern.
- ▶ Fussy Bossy, with the eyelashes and curls
- ▶ Milkshake is the brown spotted cow
- ▶ The ox is the plain one with solid brown coat.



Find the design line: Cow



Produces 125 pounds of saliva a day?

8 hours eating, 8 hours chewing their cud, 8 hours sleeping

Panoramic vision, they can see almost 360 degrees around

What does it mean for a cow to chew its cud?

Where does milk come from?

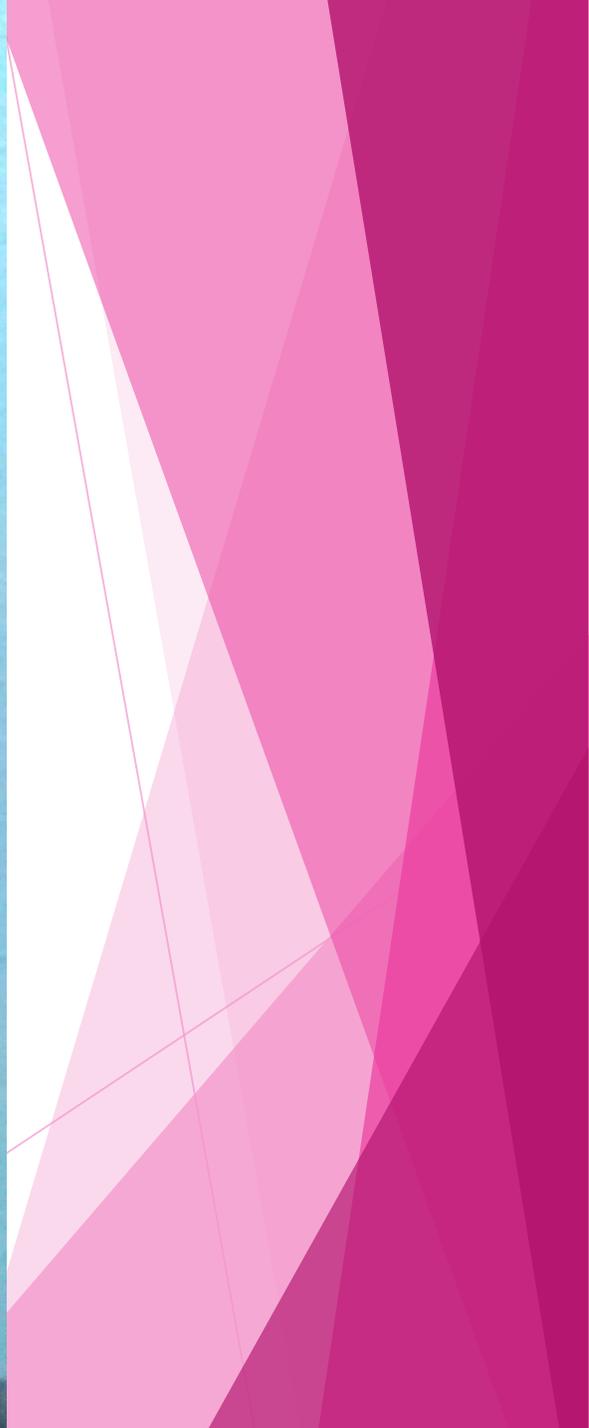
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Script ideas for Cow and Ox

- ▶ Obviously, we think of the manger and cows being at Jesus birth. But there is so much more! You will be surprised where the cows turn up! If the cows lived in the back of the house, or underneath in many families, they were constantly a part of their lives. Phew!
- ▶ In Egypt. Various ways to tell.... Having watched the plagues and walked across an area that it knows was a huge waterway hours before! A cow could describe its fear and or sorrow as it sees the cows across the rock wall becoming so ill... or observing the family's stress about what would happen now with the sea in front and Egyptian soldiers behind them.
- ▶ A real MOOving experience leaving Egypt, arriving at the sea, then by a miracle being able to go across! That was a truly MOOving time, ask the cow and the ox-- they can tell the story!
- ▶ Cow crosses Red Sea with a family that was very scared of Egyptian soldiers
- ▶ So many accounts mention the cattle, look for it and apply the idea because the cow was there!

Donkey Duz...
The next
pattern to be
released will
be this pretty
donkey named
Donneta. She
has friends
too-- a zebra
and a horse!

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Design line for donkey

- ▶ A donkey's ears help to cool him
- ▶ A donkey likes to have a friend or buddy in the same pasture, and will grieve for them if separated
- ▶ A donkey has an excellent memory! They can remember a place from even 25 years ago!
- ▶ A donkey is curious by nature
- ▶ A donkey will not do something it considers unsafe... Remind you of any Bible accounts?
- ▶ A donkey has such a special digestive system that it can break down most inedible vegetation. It also can extract moisture from those plants to keep itself hydrated.

Script ideas for
Donkey...
From the
manger to the
triumphal entry,
donkeys would
be there, and so
much more!

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I wonder if...Mary rode on donkey, and did it live until the time of the cross. It is possible, sometimes they live as long as 40 years...

The cross on a donkeys back- the legend...

I wonder if.. the donkey that talked...

I wonder if the donkey that carried Jesus in to Jerusalem...

I wonder if...

Donkeys were the common man's transportation in Bible times, if they could afford that

Think of the places and accounts they could have been a part of to tell their story

Resources

Check
your
sources!

Resources : Recommended Books

- ▶ **Dinosaurs for Kids**, Ken Ham, AIG
- ▶ **Zoo Guide, A Bible Based Handbook to the Zoo**, March 2017 3rd ed. AIG
- ▶ **The World of Animals-God's Design**, 4th ed. Debbie and Richard Lawrence, AIG, also their teacher book, **The World of Animals**
- ▶ **Marvels of Creation**, Buddy & Kay Davis, AIG
- ▶ **The Amazing Story of Creation from Science and the Bible**, Duane Gish Ph.D.
- ▶ **Absotively Posilutely, Best Evidence for Creation**, Carl Kerby
- ▶ **Dinosaurs, Marvels of God's Design**, Dr Tim Clarey
- ▶ **Have You Considered? Evidence Beyond a Reasonable Doubt**, Julie Von Vett, Bruce Malone {Awesome devotional book with creation facts galore!} Order from them at 989-837-5546 or at www.searchforthetruth.net
- ▶ **Guide to Dinosaurs Institute for Creation Research**

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- ▶ Art, home economics, math if they make a puppet
- ▶ Language arts, writing a script, and or writing a paper about the design line, Vocabulary: Who knew about the Latin word for bone struts?
- ▶ Bible Study
- ▶ History Crocodile - Egypt
- ▶ Public speaking, interacting with puppet or performing with puppet
- ▶ Science and Zoology learning God's design
- ▶ Drama, music or sound effects created by your students to go with the script
- ▶ Once you have developed a program, plan to share it! Where? Church, nursing home, homeschool co-op, VBS, parks, street evangelism, after school programs, mission trips (Missions idea, make a puppet for a missionary to use!)
- ▶ If choosing to make puppets, students will be stretching toward new talents and developing new skills.

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Benefits of this
unit study:

Tools to Teach God's Word!



Come to booth number --- to get more information. Pick up a flyer on your way out, and go to the web site after next week to pull up this power point presentation and have the basic notes you will need to use this program.

Patterns available: Dinosaurs, sauropods and others, and the cow and ox .

The donkey, horse, and zebra pattern should be out by fall, Lord willing. Others that are coming are the giraffe, crocodiles, hound, cats of various kinds and more dinosaurs!



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