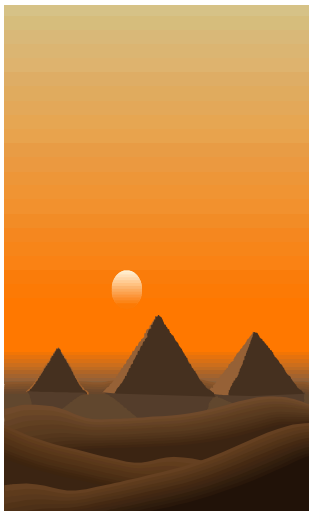


World Champions

OM New Zealand's newsletter for children who want to make a difference in God's World!



Country focus: Egypt

What do you think of when you think of Egypt? Mummies and pyramids? The Sphinx and the Nile? All of these things are from Egypt during Bible times, but Egypt now is a very different country.

About 77½ million people live in Egypt and around a third of them are under the age of 15. That's about 26 million people! 94% of the population are Muslim and there are also some other religions people believe in. There are not very many Christians in Egypt and it can be quite difficult for them sometimes.

Millions of children in Egypt don't know how much God loves them. Egypt needs World Champions to pray, give and go for it!

Topic:
God wants you
to come to Him

Bible reading:

Do you know how Jesus' disciples came to follow him? He told them to come and they did!
Read what happened:

Matthew 4:18-22
Matthew 9:9



Archaeologists believe that the ancient Egyptians were the first people to use make-up!

Learn how to say and write hello in Arabic, the main language spoken in Egypt:

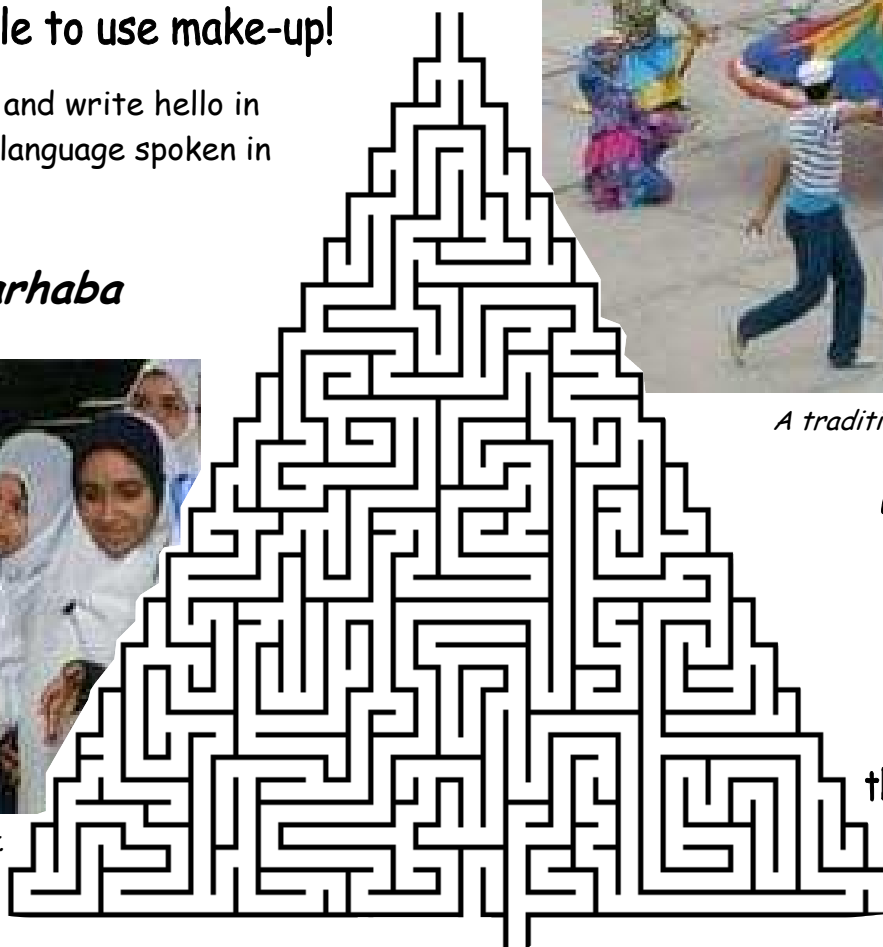
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School girls in Egypt. Muslim girls cover their heads.



A traditional Egyptian dance



Many years ago in Egypt, people who killed a cat would be given the death penalty!

Can you find your way to the top of the pyramid?

Did you know that Egypt is mentioned over 500 times in the Bible?

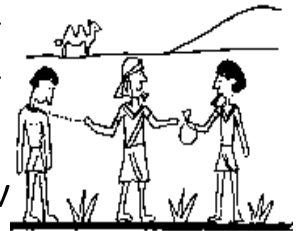
Use the Bible references to fill in the gaps in these sentences about Egypt. Then find the words in the word-search. The letters that are left over will spell out this month's memory verse.



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Because their crops failed, _____ and his wife _____ went to live in Egypt for a while.

Genesis 12:10

Abram and Sarai had an Egyptian slave called _____. *Genesis 16:1*

God told _____ to stay away from Egypt. *Genesis 26:2*

The _____ sold _____ to a man called _____ who lived in Egypt.

Genesis 37:36

The number of people from Jacob's family who went with him to _____ was _____.

Genesis 46:26

When Moses was a baby, his mum put him in a _____ and placed it in reeds by the edge of the _____ river. His _____ stayed at a distance to see what would happen to him.

Exodus 2:3-4

Moses led the people of _____ out of Egypt. *Exodus 33:1*

God sent _____, _____, and _____ to be their leaders. *Micah 6:4*

The king of Egypt signed a treaty with _____ and let him marry his daughter. *1 Kings 3:1*

Did you know Jesus lived in Egypt when he was very young? An _____ came to Joseph in a dream and told them to go to Egypt to escape from _____, who wanted to _____ Jesus.

Matthew 2:13-15

_____, "_____,
_____, _____,
_____, _____!
_____, _____,"

World Champions in Egypt

Every year there is a HUGE Children's Book Fair in Egypt. It is one of the largest Book Fairs in the world and many children come with their parents to look at all the books on display.

Many Christian books, Bibles and DVDs of the Jesus film are also on display. Someone saw a young boy and his dad watching the Jesus film in Arabic at the Book Fair. Jesus was surrounded by children and some adults in the film. The boy asked his dad who the man was. His dad, looking a bit embarrassed, replied that it was Jesus, then told the boy to come and look at other books.

The boy wanted to keep watching the film, but reluctantly went with his dad.

The movie was showing how Jesus told people to let children come to him and not turn them away. He wants children in Egypt, just like that little boy, to come to him too.



World Champions... Pray!

Please pray for the children in Egypt. Pray that they will hear about God's love for them and that they will come and become followers of Jesus.

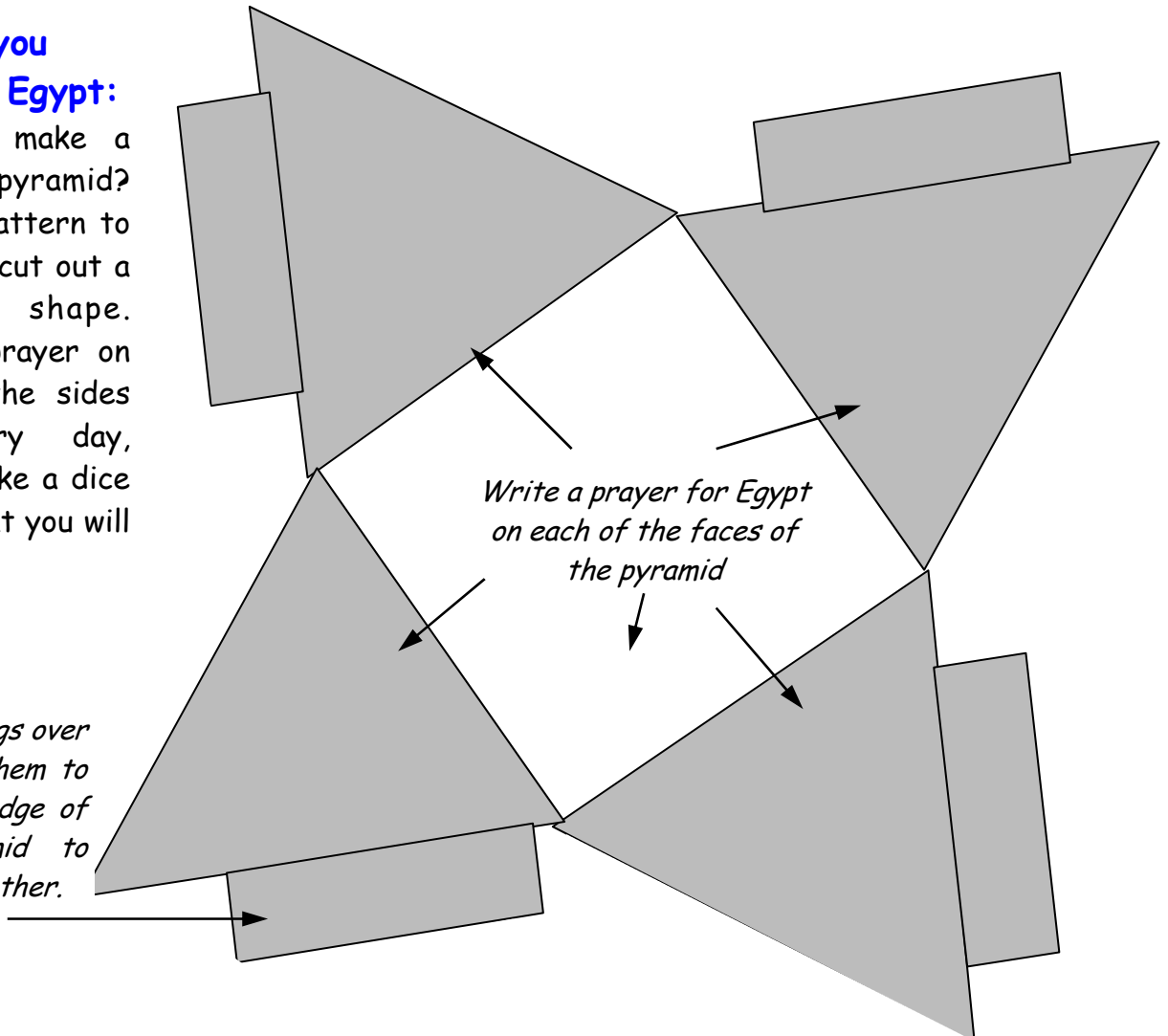
Pray for all the children who go to the Children's Book Fair each year, that as they see Bible stories and the Jesus film in their own language, they will understand more of God's love for them. Pray that their parents will also come to Jesus.

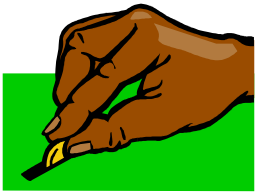
Pray for the Christians in Egypt, as well as people who have moved there to tell others about Jesus. Sometimes it can be quite dangerous for these people and some have been put in prison in the past because they were being World Champions.

To help you pray for Egypt:

Why not make a prayer pyramid? Use the pattern to trace and cut out a pyramid shape. Write a prayer on each of the sides and every day, throw it like a dice to see what you will pray for!

Fold the tags over and tape them to the next edge of the pyramid to hold it together.





World Champions... Give!

We also have people working in Egypt. If you want to save some money to go towards helping children and adults hear about Jesus, you can send it to us and we will pass it on to our World Champions there.



World Champions... Go for it!

God wants you to come to Him. Do you? Of course you can't come to Him as you may come to a person, because you can't see Him. What He means is that He wants you to spend time with Him. Are you praying to God? Are you reading your Bible? Are you going to God's house - church? Are you praising Him? And most importantly, are you doing things He wants you to do?

When we come to see people, it's because we like being with them. Imagine if you never hung out with your friends! You wouldn't be friends for long. It's the same with God. Come to Him in some way every day! Build your relationship with Him. That's what He wants you to do.

Do your friends know that they can also come to God? Why not tell them all about it this month?



People come from around the world to see the pyramids in Egypt. They have to travel a long way and it costs a lot of money, but for them it's worth it because they really want to see the pyramids.

Our friendship with God can be similar. He wants us to come to Him, but that means we have to choose to spend time and effort to do it. But knowing God is the best thing ever, far better than seeing any pyramids!



'World Champions' is made by OM New Zealand, where we want people of all ages to be a part of the wonderful things God is doing around the world. Why not contact us and see how else you can get involved?

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