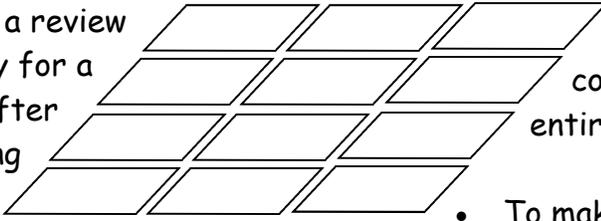


Puzzle of Gideon

This is a review activity for a class after studying the

life of Gideon. Students match clues on adjacent puzzle pieces to form a complete rectangle of pieces.



2) Give the students only two matching pieces of the puzzle to start. After they correctly align the pieces, give them a third piece that fits, a fourth etc. until they have completed the entire puzzle.

- To make the puzzle **more difficult**, print page 4, which has no picture in the center of each piece but has the same clues as page 2.

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Directions

1. Teach your students about the story of Gideon in Judges 6-8. This of course, will take several lessons before you can use this review game.
 2. Print page 2 of this document one time for each group you plan to have in class (or one page for each student if you prefer your students to work alone).
 3. Use a paper cutter to cut out the 12 squares.
 4. Put the 12 pieces in an envelope or sandwich bag.
 5. Students work to arrange the pieces into a complete rectangle—4 squares by 3.
- 1) Create your own version of a puzzle with the template on page 3. Use whatever theme you have been studying recently—the Judges, the Kings, the people who met Christ etc.
 - 2) Do a puzzle race, timing the students to see who can complete the puzzle correctly in the least amount of time. This allows your students to do the puzzle more than once, reinforcing the learning.

About this Activity

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Suggestions to make the game easier:

- 1) Assemble the puzzle as a class or at least in pairs if your students have difficulty on their own.

“They did evil in the
sight of the Lord”



Midian

The enemies of
Israel



Fire

Judge of Israel

Gideon's Title



Winepress

Why Israel was in trouble



Joash

Altar

How God consumed
Gideon's offering

What Gideon built by
the tree where he saw
the Angel of the Lord



Jerubbaal

Baal

The name of the idol
in his father's house

Where Gideon
threshed wheat



Fleece of wool

Gideon's Father



Trumpet

22,000

New name given to
Gideon

Soldiers who returned
home fearful of the
battle.



Cake of Barley

The number of
soldiers Gideon had
in his battle

300

Used to miraculously
confirm God's will



“Locusts without
number”

One of the weapons used
by Gideon's troops



Empty Jars

A symbol of Gideon in
the dream of
Midianites

One of the weapons
used by Gideon's
troops



What Gideon made from
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