

Books, Books and More Books

If you were writing a book, your first line would be ...

- The jet spun as it ascended into the sky, leaving a multi-colored, marshmallow vapor plip-plopping through the atmosphere.
- The saddest day of my life was the day Matilda Aphelda Daddlethorpe moved in next door.
- My dog, Sadie, jumped into the second-floor window of Jefferson Middle School and ...
- (Your own sentence.) _____

If you were writing a book, the book would be about ...

- The goldfish population at the South Pole.
- The problems with cafeteria food.
- The story of your extraordinary life.
- (Other) _____

If you were writing a book, the last sentence would be ...

- And I plip-popped away on the multi-colored marshmallows.
- I should have noticed from the start that Matilda's initials spelled mad.
- And so Sadie and I went on to have our own reality TV show.
- (You write the sentence.) _____

Books are fun. Books are learning experiences. Books are adventures.

Did you know the word *Bible* simply means "book"? Bible is from the Latin word *biblia*.

Approximately 40 men wrote the Bible, but God inspired (breathed) the words He wanted them to write. The Bible is God's message to us. He wrote down everything He wanted us to know.

We know that the Bible tells us about MANY of the things the Lord did while He was on earth. If EVERYTHING He did was written down, how many more books (other than the Bible) do you think would be needed?

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Look up John 21:25 to find the answer.

How many books would be needed? _____

That's kind of cool. The Lord did so many things we couldn't begin to list everything.

But – we can live our lives understanding He is in control.

We can thank Him for giving us His Word, the Bible, so we can read His message to us.

We can read His Word and learn how to live according to His instructions.

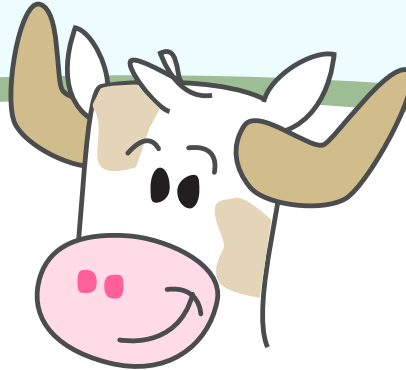
And we can thank Him.



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Internationally,
what is the top
use for cowhide?

To cover cows.



We asked the clubbers at First Baptist Church in New Braunfels, Texas to tell us their favorite Bible verse and why.

ABBIE – John 3:16: Because God promised that if we accept His promise we will live forever.

HANNAH – Romans 5:8: Because when someone says no one loves me, I know they are wrong by reading this verse.

DANIEL – Psalm 119:105: It's short and easy to remember.

AIMEE – Philippians 4:13: It helps in everyday life.

ISAAC – John 3:16: Because it says we cannot perish.

Ultimate Adventure and Ultimate Challenge Facts

- Each handbook has eight Discoveries or Challenges.
- Each Discovery or Challenge has seven sections.
- Each handbook has 56 sections.
- A club year has approximately eight months – so if you complete a Discovery or Challenge each month, you will finish your book.
- A club year has approximately 30-32 weeks – so if you complete two sections a week, you will finish your book.

Now is a great time to learn some of those verses (after all, these are the very words God has given to us in the Bible – His message to us).

What method of transportation is spelled the same way backwards and forward?

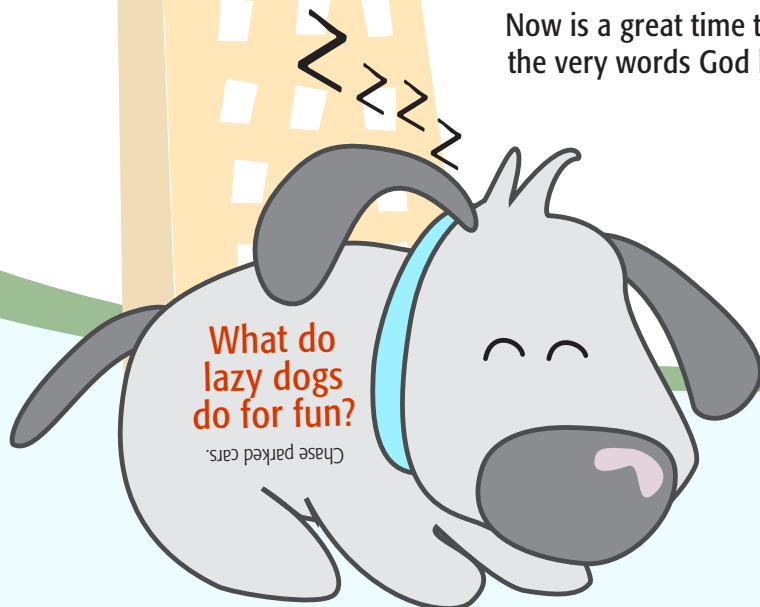
Race car.

What's the tallest building in town?

The library (it has the most stories).

What do lazy dogs do for fun?

Chase parked cars.



What is a caterpillar afraid of?

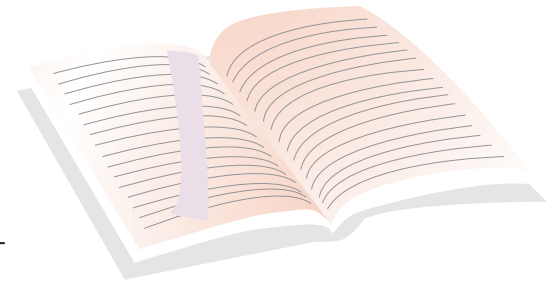
A dogepillar.



BRAIN DRAIN

How **QUICKLY** can you answer the following questions?

1. How many books are in the Bible? _____
2. How many books are in the New Testament? _____
3. What is the shortest book in the Bible? _____
4. What is the longest book in the Bible? _____
5. Name at least five books of the Bible that start with the letter E. _____ , _____ , _____ , _____ , _____
6. What are the first three words of the Bible? _____
7. Name at least three books of the Bible that start with the letter M. _____ , _____ , _____
8. Name at least five books of the Bible that start with the letter J. _____ , _____ , _____ , _____ , _____
9. Name the last book of the Old Testament. _____
10. What four books have the same name? _____ , _____ , _____ , _____



BOOK FACTS

- Approximately 190,000 books are published in the U.S. each year. The United Kingdom is another country that prints a lot of books – some years they print even more than the U.S.
- The back of the book is called the spine.
- Electronic sales of books are growing rapidly and are already greater than the sales of printed books in some stores.
- A biography is a book about someone written by another person. An autobiography is a book that someone writes about himself.
- During Bible times, people read from papyrus scrolls rather than books as we know them.

BOOK RECIPE

Here's a fun dessert idea. Bake a cake for the next special occasion at your house (of course, you'll want Dad or Mom's permission for this). Frost the two shorter sides of the cake and one of the longer sides with white frosting. Frost the rest of the cake with a solid-colored frosting.

Then decorate the top of the cake as a book. If you're baking a birthday cake, you could choose a title such as: *The Story of My Sister* or *Emma's Story* (with you as the author).

Or you could decorate the cake in honor of a soccer win or art award: *Ten Tips to Winning a Soccer Game* or *Painting for a Prize*. Be creative and have fun.

Run a fork along the white frosting on the sides so that it looks like pages.

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