

Go: Dream Big Dreams!



When I was a little girl, I wanted to be a nurse, then I realised I didn't like blood! So, I decided to be a teacher. And that's exactly what I grew up to be! I used to sit my brother down in school holidays and play schools with him and my teddies. They learnt a lot ... I think!!



It's good to dream of our future. God has made us to be people who can look forward to what's ahead, knowing He has good plans for us. We might not know right now what we want to be or do with our lives, but God has already worked it all out and if we ask Him, He will show us.



Have you dreamed of being something when you are older? Can you draw a picture of it in this box?



Are there things in your life and our world that you want to change?

God makes our hearts beat faster when we hear about certain situations, like people being treated unfairly or people not feeling loved. You might be someone who speaks out when something is not fair or maybe you like to organise people or activities.

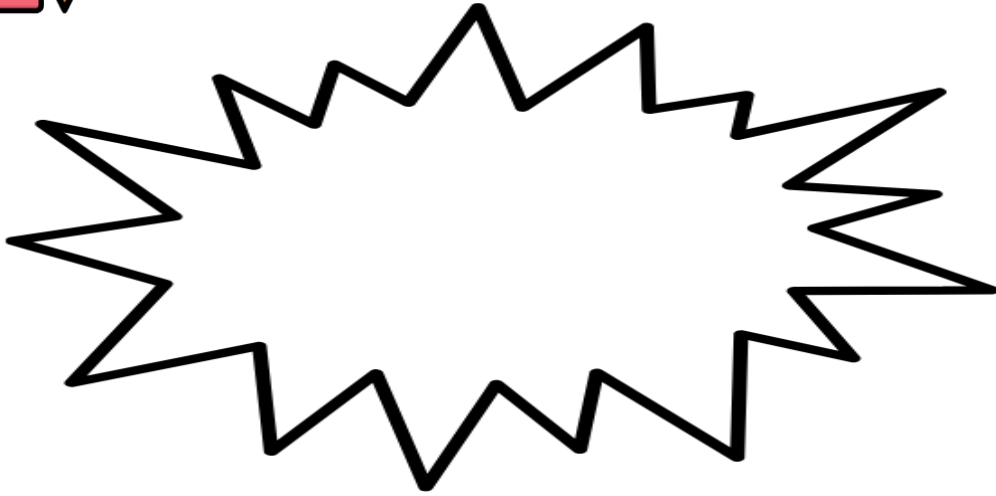
God has made you with gifts and interests that He will use to change the world around you now and in the future.

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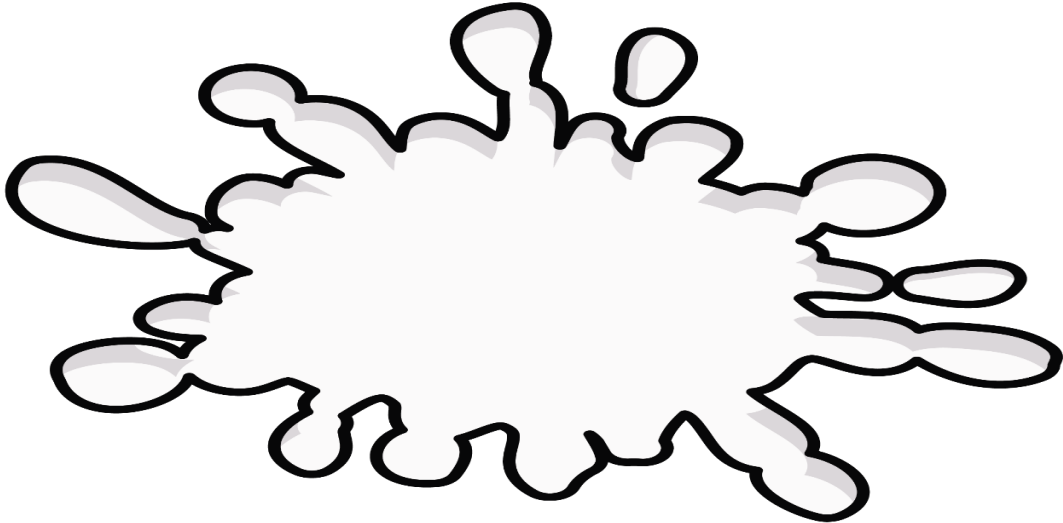
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What things make you happy and excited? Draw them in the starburst below.



What makes you cross? Draw it in the splat below.



What do you enjoy doing most?

Use this space to write down your thoughts



God has dreams and plans for you. Plans for you to live a wonderful life lived with Him! He has so many adventures planned. All we need to do is ask Him to show us what to do and where we need to go each day and trust Him to show us tomorrow what is for tomorrow.



Use your Bible to find **Jeremiah 29:11**. What is God's promise for you?

Our world needs you to be all God has intended for you to be. If you are not, then the world is missing out on something special and important!

In **1 Timothy 4: 12** (ICB) we read these words:

You are young, but do not let anyone treat you as if you were not important. Be an example to show the believers how they should live. Show them with your words, with the way you live, with your love, with your faith, and with your pure life.

God wants you to know today that, even though you are young, you are important and have a job to do: to show other people around you how to live filled with His love, to share what you believe and to live a life that God would be pleased with.



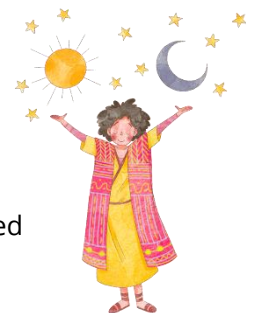
Now use your Bible to find **Joel 2:28-29**? What does God say here about what you can expect to do while you are young? What does He say about how He will talk to you and share His dreams, His thoughts, and His plans with you? Do you have to wait to be older to hear from God?



No! God has promised to fill you with His Spirit so you dream His dreams, whether you are young or old, and so you can see what God wants to do with His world and His people.



One of my favourite Bible characters is Joseph. He had dreams of being great, God told him he would be a leader of people. Did things go easily for Joseph? No. He was sold, put in prison and his own brothers did it! No matter what bad things tried to stop his dreams coming true, God was in control and in the end used



all the bad things to make a better day when Joseph's dream was a reality and saved the lives of his whole family.

Some of the things you have drawn today are given by God to you. They are His dreams that He has planted in your heart. Remember when you asked Jesus to be Lord of your life, you put Him in charge, so your dreams are actually dreams God has given you; if they are to make the world and people He loves and died for a better place!

Today, right now, He can use you to change the world!

He can plant dreams in your heart that will make our world better, so people can find Jesus for themselves



Let's chat to God about dreaming with Him!

1. Tell God about something you are dreaming of doing or becoming
2. Tell God about a dream you had at night
3. Ask Him to show you His dreams for you. Ask God to show you something you are good at or interested in that He wants to use in your future.
4. Ask the Holy Spirit to show you His power and how He wants you to live your life filled with love and how He wants you to change the world, even today!



Or you could use this prayer to help you:

Thank you, Jesus, that You have given me the Holy Spirit to show me how to live and to give me Your dreams. I give my life to You again today and I choose to follow Your ways. Please show me what You want me to do and make my heart love this world like Yours does. Please help me to be brave and trust You so I can change the world and make it to be a better place – just the way You want it to be. Amen