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## ACTIVITY

### GIANT TIC-TAC-TOSS

**Who can tell me how to play Tic-tac-toe?** Right! We try to beat our opponent by getting three of our letters in a row before they do. We have to problem-solve to try and beat them!

**INSTRUCTIONS:** *Using painter's tape, create a giant Tic-tac-toe board on the floor. Use pillows to serve as the "X" and "O" pieces by "writing" an "X" or "O" on the pillows using tape. Have the kids play Tic-tac-toe by tossing the pillows to add an extra element or "problem" to solve as a part of the game.*

**PRETEEN HACK:** *Encourage the older preteens to create the tic-tac-toe game board for the younger students. Modify the playing rules for preteens by having them toss the bean bag under their leg or over their shoulder.*

Winning Tic-tac-toe isn't always easy by itself, but when we add more problems to solve — like having to throw pillows — it becomes even more tricky to win!

## POLL

### BIG AND SMALL TRIVIA

**INSTRUCTIONS:** *Instruct the kids to guess whether the statements below are true or false. If they think it's true, tell them to raise their hands. If they think it's false, tell them to make an "X" with their arms.*



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**The biggest pizza ever made weighed about 26,000 pounds [True.]**  
**The tallest dog ever recorded was five feet tall. [False. The tallest dog was more than seven feet tall.]**

**The largest ukulele ever made is more than thirteen feet long. [True.]**

There are some really big things out there in the world! There are some really small things, too.

**How small do you think the world's smallest paper airplane was?** The world record for the smallest paper airplane is just a little bigger than one millimeter long! That's tiny!

These are just fun examples to talk about, but when it comes to us and the things in our lives, big or small, it all matters to God.

## BIBLE STORY

### JOB'S BLESSING

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Encourage the kids to join you in reading today's passage in Job 42:1-6; 10-17. See your Shop & Prep List to see how to set up the props you will use as you tell the Bible story.

**PRETEEN HACK:** Form two groups of preteens: readers who will read the Bible passage and revealers who will open each box. Print out the passages to go with each of the boxes. Instruct the students to take turns reading and revealing. As a review at the conclusion of the story, scramble the boxes and challenge preteens to put them in order with the appropriate passage.



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During the last few weeks, we have seen Job face some really tough stuff! Last week, we saw Job remember how powerful God is and that God sees the big picture.

**What do you think will happen to Job in our story today?** Let's find out!

[Read Job 42:1-6.]

Job realized that God can do anything. The things Job was questioning God about were far too complicated for Job to understand. But he now saw with his own eyes how amazing God is.

Let's keep reading to find out how the story ends!

[Read Job 42:10.]

### **How much did God give Job?**

Yes, twice as much as he had before.

As we continue reading the story, let's open these surprise boxes to see all the things God gave to Job.

[Open box one and read Job 42:11.]

**What do we have in this box?** It looks like we have money and a gold ring!

[Open box two and read Job 42:12.]

**What does this box reveal?** Now, we have some sheep, camels, oxen, and donkeys!

[Open box three and read Job 42:13-15.]

**What do we have here?** It's a brother and sister. Job had more children!

[Open box four and read Job 42:16-17.]

**What's this?** A happy older man! Job lived a long and happy life because God blessed him after all the bad stuff that happened.



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All of these things seem really nice, right? **But was Job's faith in God based simply on what God would give him?**

No! Job had a new understanding of God. When Job was hurting and sad, God took care of him and made his faith stronger. When Job's friends and family abandoned him, God was always with him, so Job was never alone.

Even though Job lost a lot of stuff, God was there to take care of Job's needs. It's great to receive nice gifts from God, but **what are some other ways that God takes care of us?**

## BIG IDEA

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**INSTRUCTIONS:** Write the Big Idea in a really small font on a huge piece of paper. Choose a kid to come up to the front and choose a really big magnifying glass or a small one to read the Big Idea with. Have the rest of the kids repeat the Big Idea after you.

By now, we know that this really small writing is going to reveal a really big truth!

**Who can come up here and read what this says?**

Let's say this week's Big Idea together: **No problem is too small for God!**  
We can trust in God for everything because nothing is too small for God!



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## MEMORY VERSE

### JOB 37:5 (NIV)

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Practice this month's memory verse with the signs (a combination of SEE and ASL) available in your Programming folder or at [growcurriculum.org/Job37-5](http://growcurriculum.org/Job37-5).

Let's practice this month's memory verse together!

**"God's voice thunders in marvelous ways; he does great things beyond our understanding."**