



# JONAH AND THE GREAT FISH

## Open and Shut

### Activity

Jonah thought he could run from God, but instead found himself in the belly of a great big fish. Jonah spent three days in the belly of a big fish. Jonah prayed and told God he would not run and he would do what God asked. The whale spit Jonah out so he could do what God asked. For this activity the children will make a craft that will remind us that we cannot run from God.

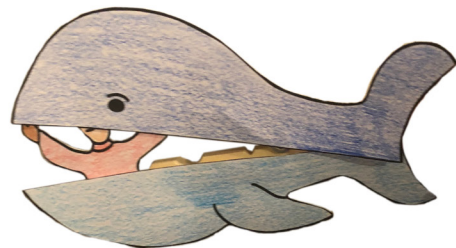
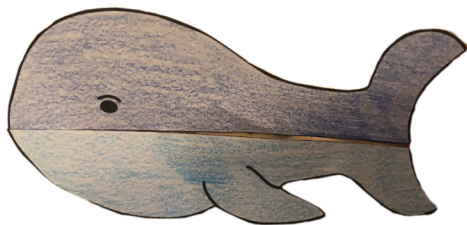
### Material

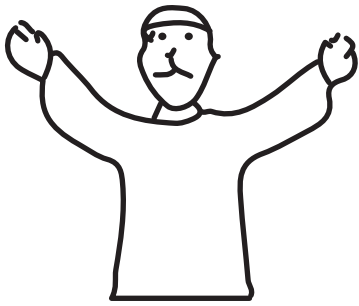
Cardstock paper  
Clothes pin  
Tape  
Scissors

### Procedure

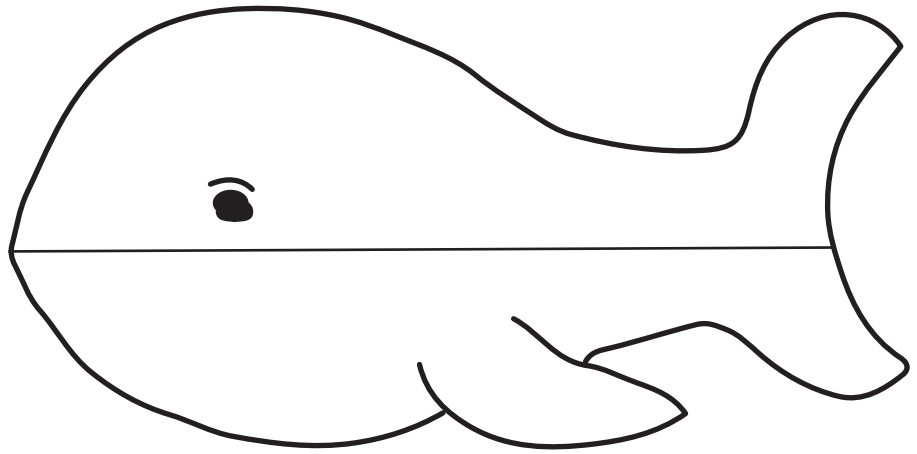
1. Have the children color and cut the Jonah and fish cutout.
2. Cut the fish in half along the line.
3. Attach the top and bottom of the fish to the clothes pin.
4. Attach Jonah to the inside of the fish.
5. Tell the children that because Jonah did not listen to what God asked he found himself in the belly of a big fish.

**Explanation:** Remind the children that we must listen carefully when God speaks to us.

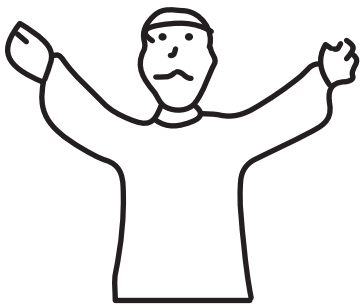




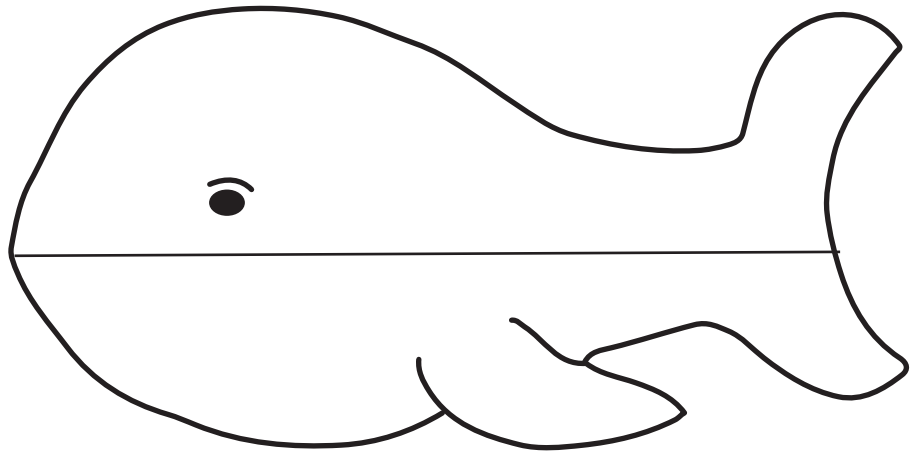
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