

JONAH – The Reluctant Preacher

~God had great _____ on the sinful men in Nineveh.

~When the storm began at sea, Jonah was _____.

~Jonah told his shipmates that he “feared the God of heaven, who made the _____ and the _____.”

~After throwing Jonah into the sea, the storm stopped, and the shipmates feared Jonah’s God and offered a _____.

~Jonah spent 3 days and nights in the belly of the fish, and Jesus spent 3 days and nights in the _____.

~Jonah said “when my _____ fainted within me, I _____ the LORD.”

~The Lord told the fish to _____ Jonah onto dry _____.

~God’s children can never _____ away from His plan and purpose.

~Jonah finally obeyed God and went to the big city of _____.

~He told the people they had _____ days to repent.

~The people believed God and proclaimed a _____.

~Even the King repented and put off his fancy robe, put on _____ and sat in _____.

~Then the King declared all people and animals should not eat or drink, and should cry to _____ and turn from their _____ ways.

~When God relented from destroying Nineveh, it made Jonah _____.

~Jonah knew God was gracious and _____, slow to anger and abundant in _____.

~Even though Jonah behaved badly and did not want the Ninevites to repent, God was still _____ to him and provided a _____ to shelter Jonah while he sat on the hill.

~Instead of ending the story in chapter 3, God stretched out His hand of grace in chapter 4 and pursued Jonah to uncover his hard _____ and _____ attitude against his fellow man.

~God explained to Jonah that the people in Nineveh did not know their right hand from their _____, and He had _____ on them.

Answers:

- Mercy
- Sleeping
- Sea, (dry) land
- Sacrifice
- Tomb/grave
- Soul, remembered
- Vomit, land
- Run
- Nineveh
- 40
- Fast
- Sackcloth, ashes
- Repent, wicked
- Angry
- Merciful, lovingkindness
- Merciful, plant
- Heart, bad
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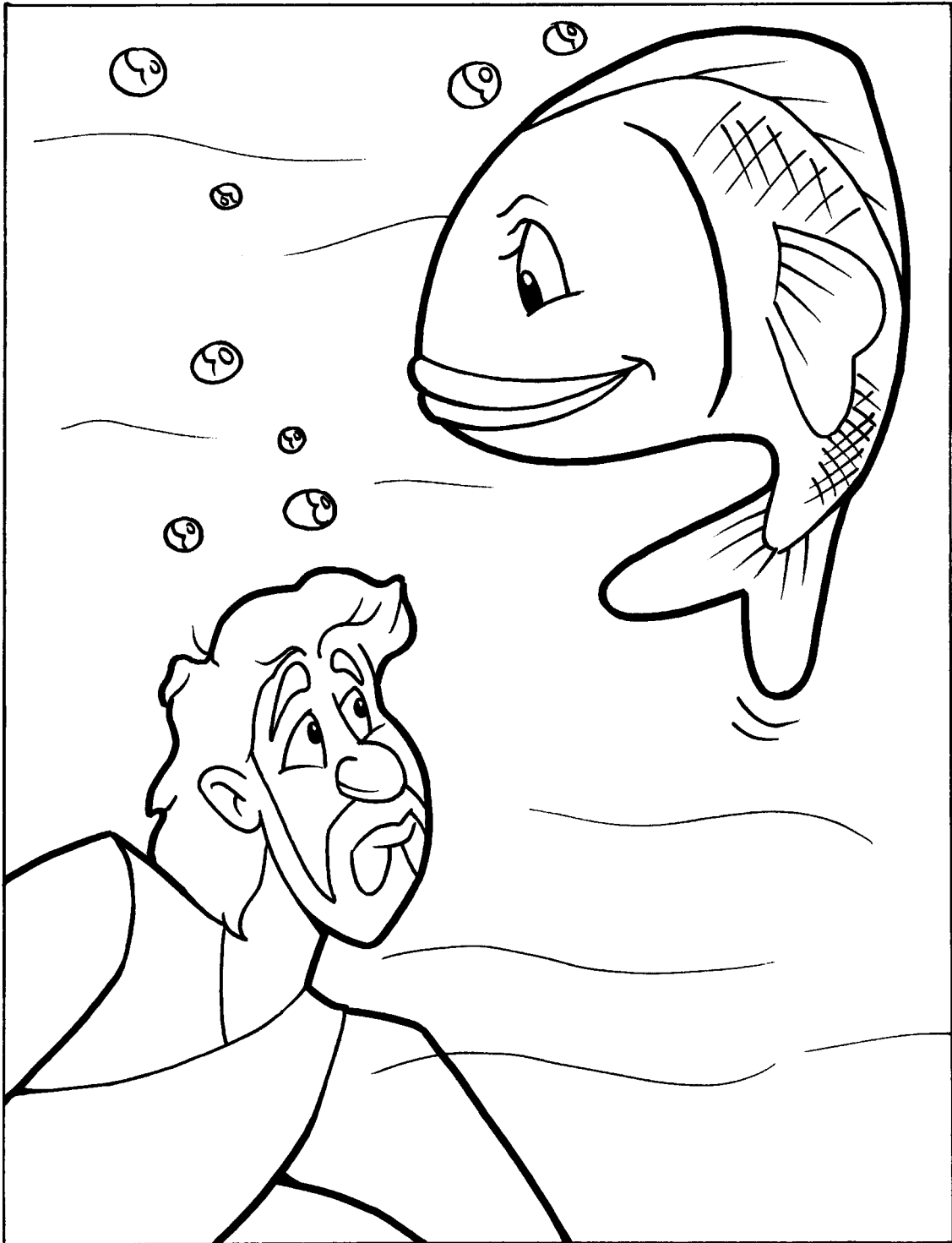
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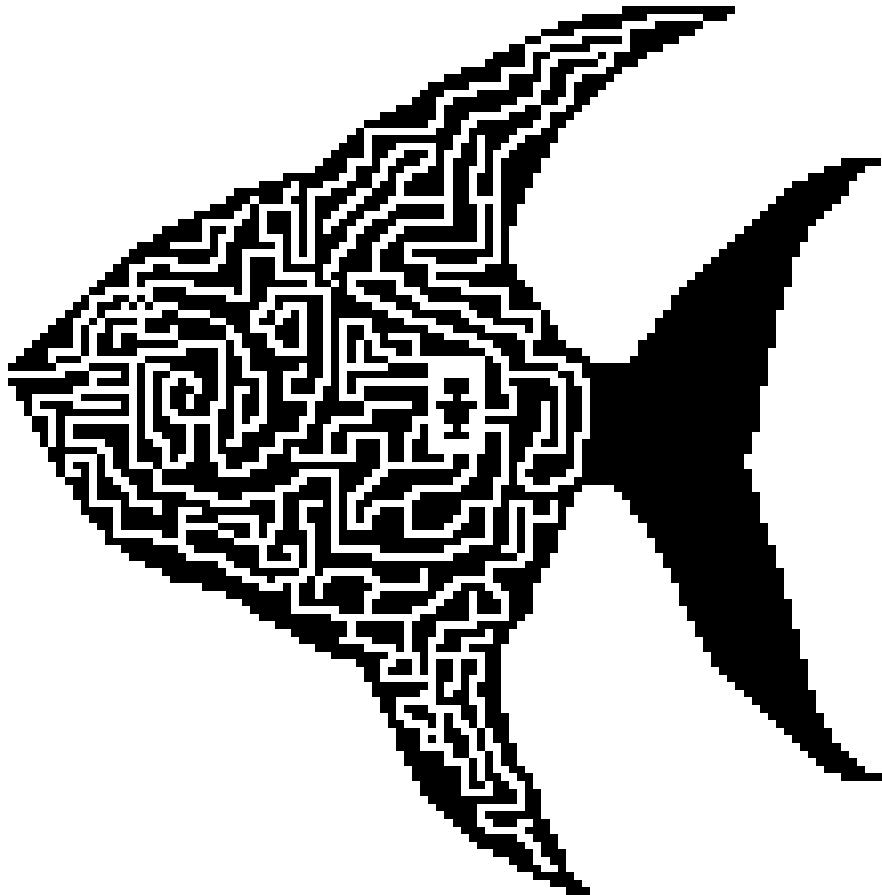
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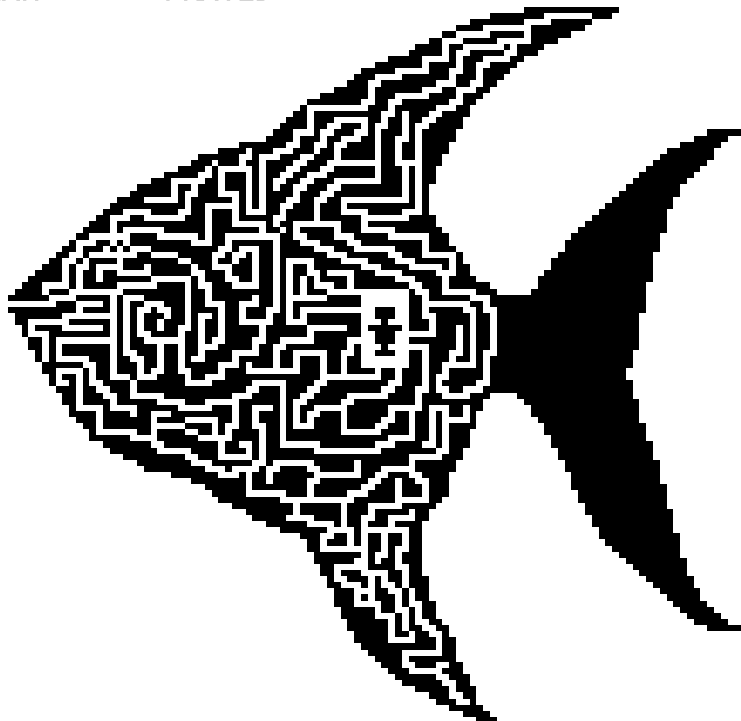
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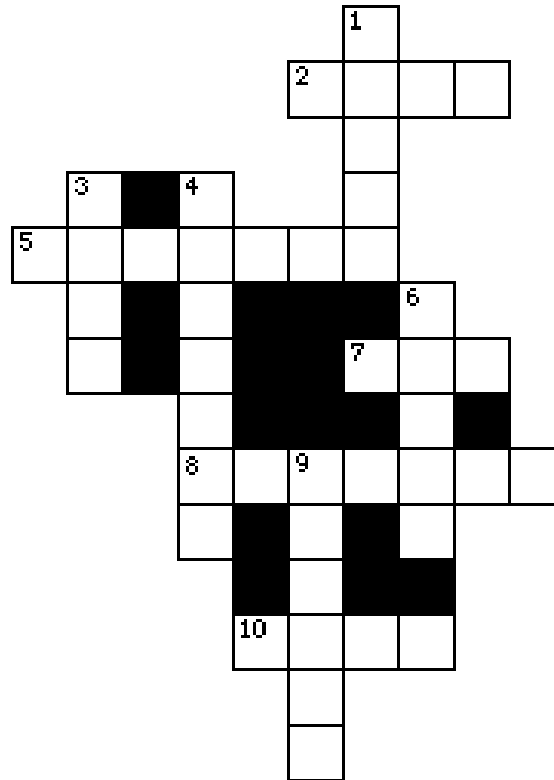
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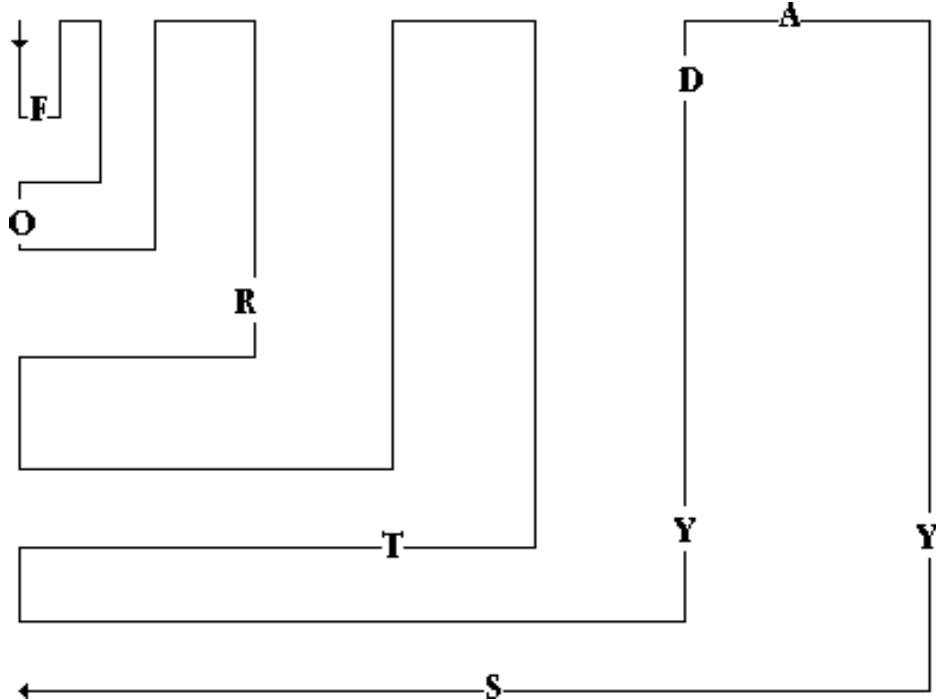
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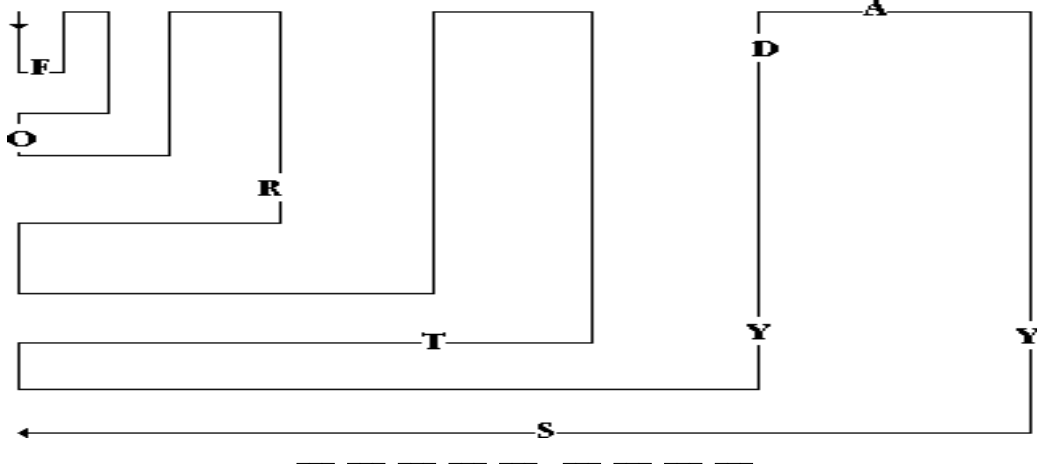
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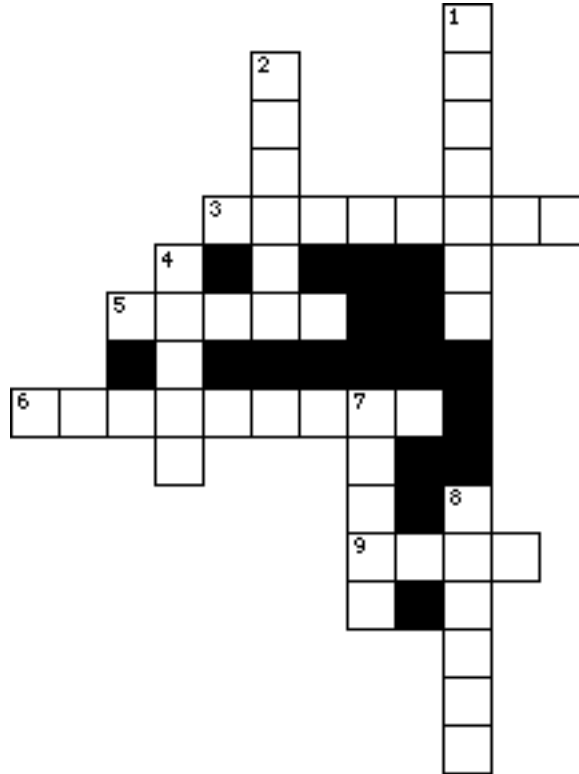
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8. The LORD said, "And should I not _____ Nineveh, that _____ city, in which are more than one hundred and twenty thousand persons who cannot discern between their right hand and their left, and also much livestock?" JONAH 4:11

163. JONAH IS HUMBLER BY GOD

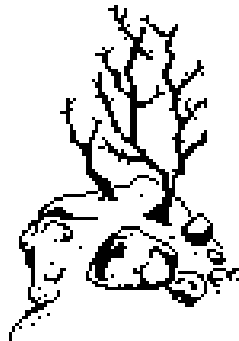
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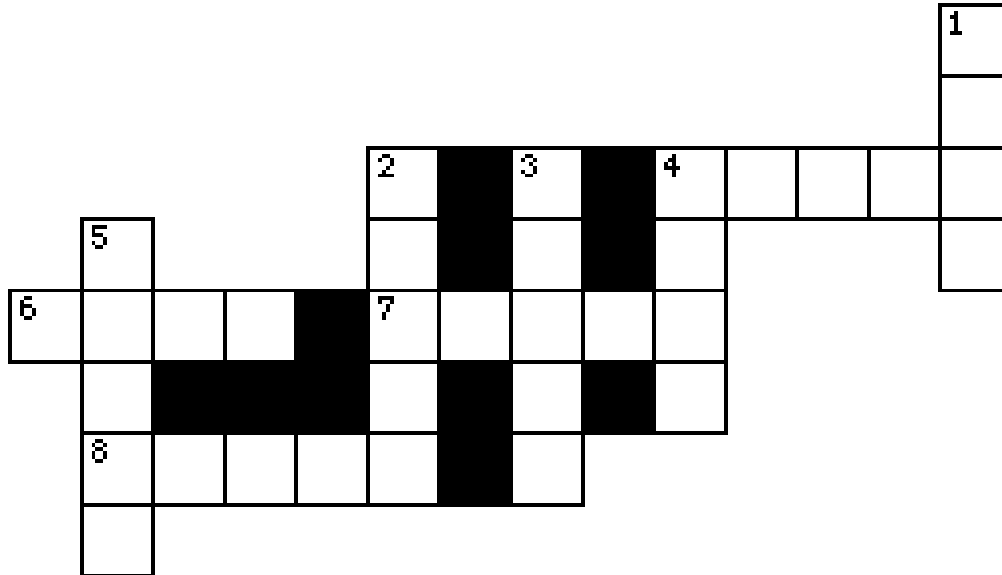
LOVINGKINDNESS
NINEVEH
PITY
PLANT

PRAYED
SHADE
WITHERED
WORM



163. JONAH IS HUMBLLED BY GOD

(JONAH 4:1-11)



2 DOWN "For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is His _____ toward those who fear Him." PSALM 103:11

Then God saw the works of Nineveh, "that they turned from their evil way; and God relented from the disaster that He had said He would bring upon them, and He did not do it." JONAH 3:10

8 ACROSS "But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he became _____." JONAH 4:1

6 ACROSS "So he prayed to the _____, and said, 'Ah, LORD, was not this what I said when I was still in my country? Therefore I fled previously to Tarshish; for I know that You are a gracious and merciful God, slow to anger and abundant in lovingkindness, One who relents from doing harm.' " JONAH 4:2

7 ACROSS "Then the Lord said, 'Is it _____ for you to be angry?' " JONAH 4:4

1 DOWN "So Jonah went out of the _____ and sat on the east side of the city" JONAH 4:5

4 ACROSS "And the Lord God prepared a _____ and made it come up over Jonah" JONAH 4:6

5 DOWN "Then God said to _____, 'Is it right for you to be angry about the plant?' " JONAH 4:9

3 DOWN "The LORD said, 'You have had pity on the plant for which you have not labored, nor made it grow, which came up in a _____ and perished in a night.' " JONAH 4:10

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Jonah

Unscramble the letters to find the words in our

Jonah Anagram



eehinny _____

hips _____

morst _____

adellosw _____

hnortw _____

aehlw _____

ipst _____

aeprry _____

eenprt _____

efginorv _____

Unscramble the letters to find the words in our

Jonah Anagram



Word List:

forgiven, Nineveh, prayer, repent, ship,
spit, storm, swallowed, thrown, whale

eehinny _____

hips _____

morst _____

adellosw _____

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ipst _____

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Jonah & the Big Fish

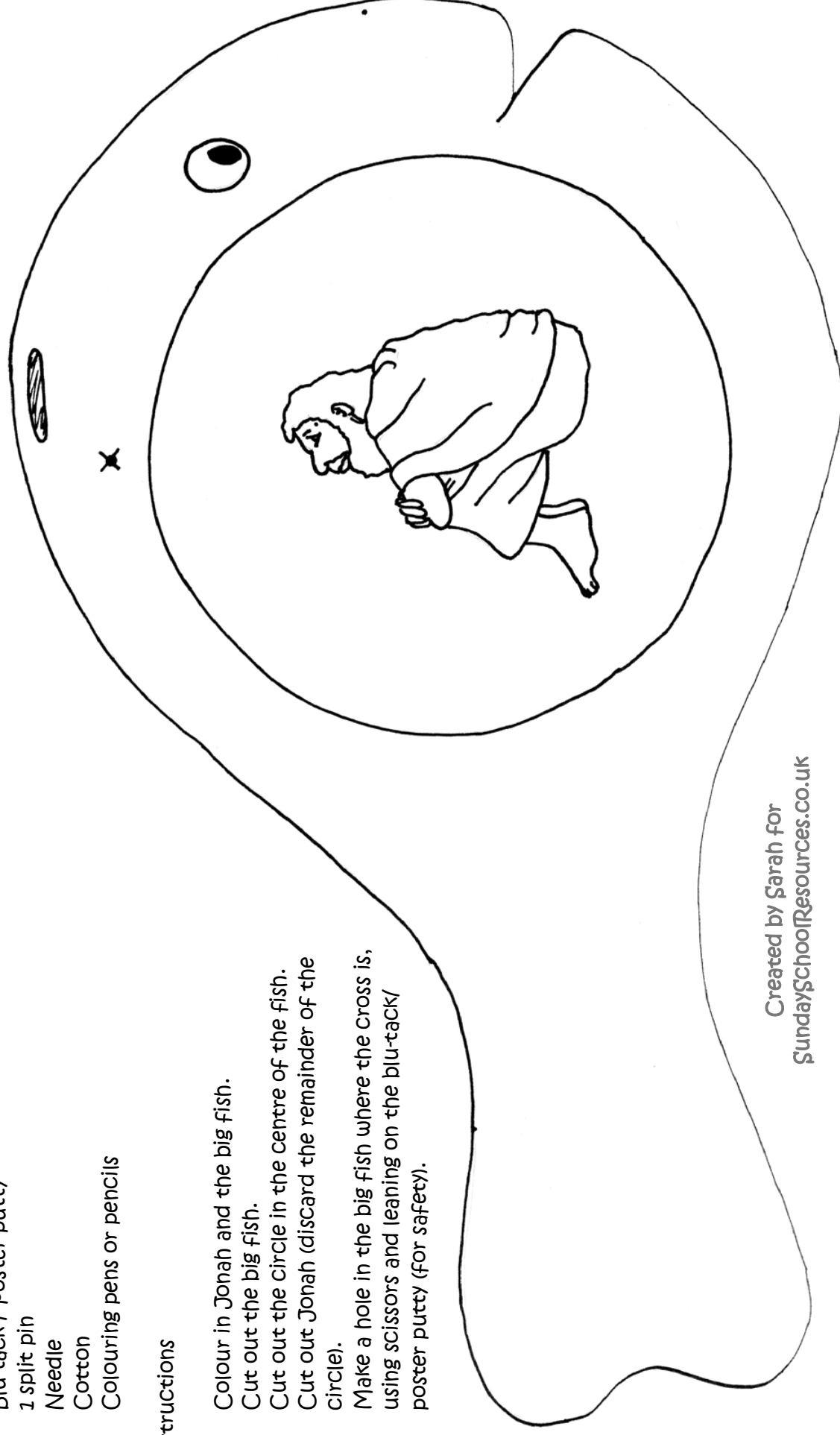
You will need:

- Thin Card
- Scissors
- Blu-tack / Poster putty
- 1 split pin
- Needle
- Cotton
- Colouring pens or pencils

Instructions

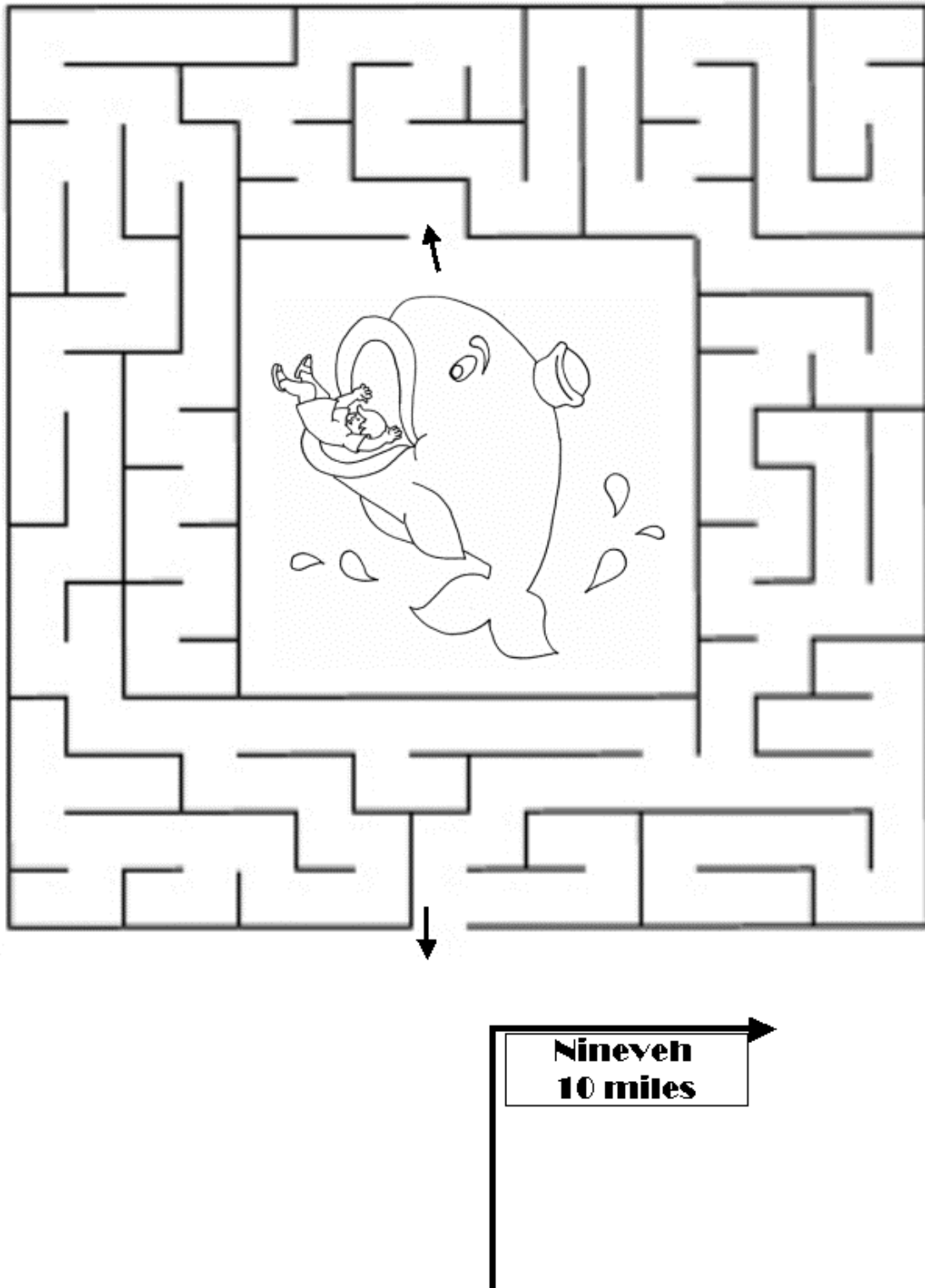
1. Colour in Jonah and the big fish.
2. Cut out the big fish.
3. Cut out the circle in the centre of the fish.
4. Cut out Jonah (discard the remainder of the circle).
5. Make a hole in the big fish where the cross is, using scissors and leaning on the blu-tack/poster putty (for safety).

6. Put a split pin in the hole.
7. Thread some cotton on to the needle.
8. Where the small dot on Jonah's head is, use the needle to thread the cotton through at this point (lean on blu-tack/poster putty).
9. Form a loop with cotton and tie it in a knot, ensuring the length will suspend Jonah in the middle of the fish's tummy.



Jonah Maze

Help Jonah find his way to Nineveh.



A BOOK OF "GREAT" THINGS

Jonah is a book of "Great" things.
Can you find the great things that are
in the following verses?

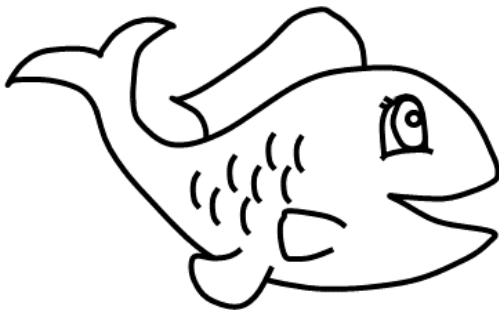
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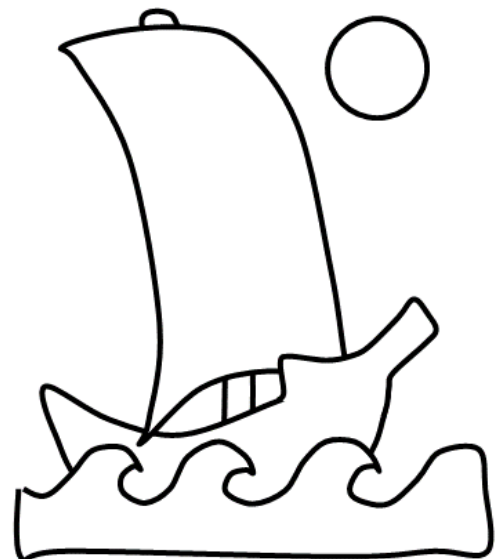
Use the 5 letters that are boxed in above to discover
where Jonah was sleeping in the ship:

Jonah Word Search

T I P S P B N P
W J H O B A D R
C D Y T R O F A
S T O R M W B Y



BAD
FORTY
PRAY
SPIT
STORM

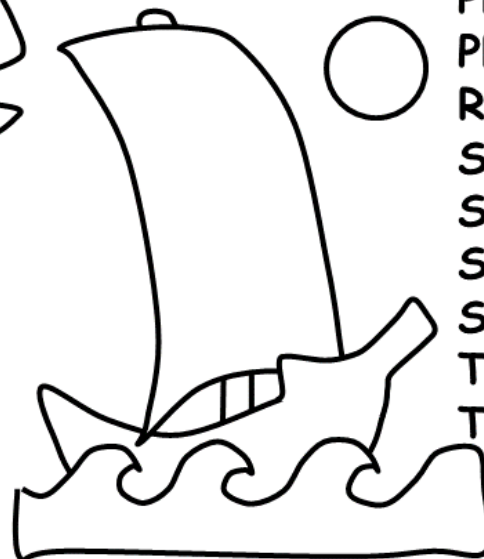


Jonah Word Search

S E G B Z P N M V I W O F C C
 G W A N F R B R J K B B O E S
 T D A O I M E E O E Y F R E P
 E R Q L L Y C P D H G O G R I
 H Z H A L I A I E L T R I H T
 P U C S O O E R J N P T V T A
 O C V H H N W O P Z T Y E U C
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 P F I S H A P G D L I S T E N
 F I C D H M R O T S V E W A P



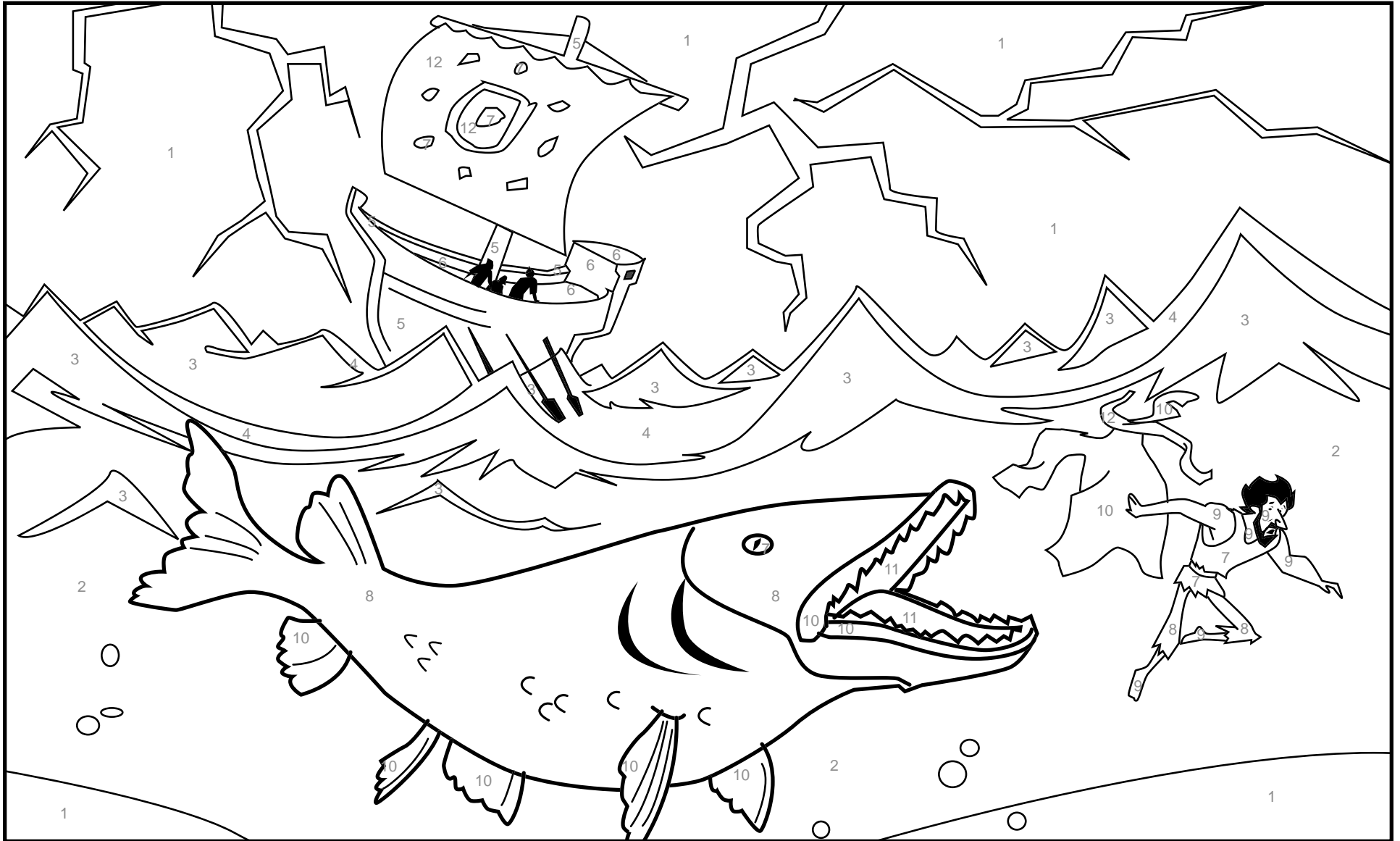
BAD
 CALM
 CHOICE
 FISH
 FORGIVEN
 FORTY
 JONAH
 LISTEN
 NINEVAH
 OBEDIENT



PRAYING
 PROPHET
 REPENT
 SHIP
 SPIT
 STORM
 SWALLOWED
 THORN
 THREE

Color by Number for Jonah and the Big Fish

Color each section by the colors shown in the list at the bottom of the page. There might be small pieces of an item such as hands and feet or small areas which do not have a number. Choose a good color for those. If you don't have all of the colors listed, make your best color choice.

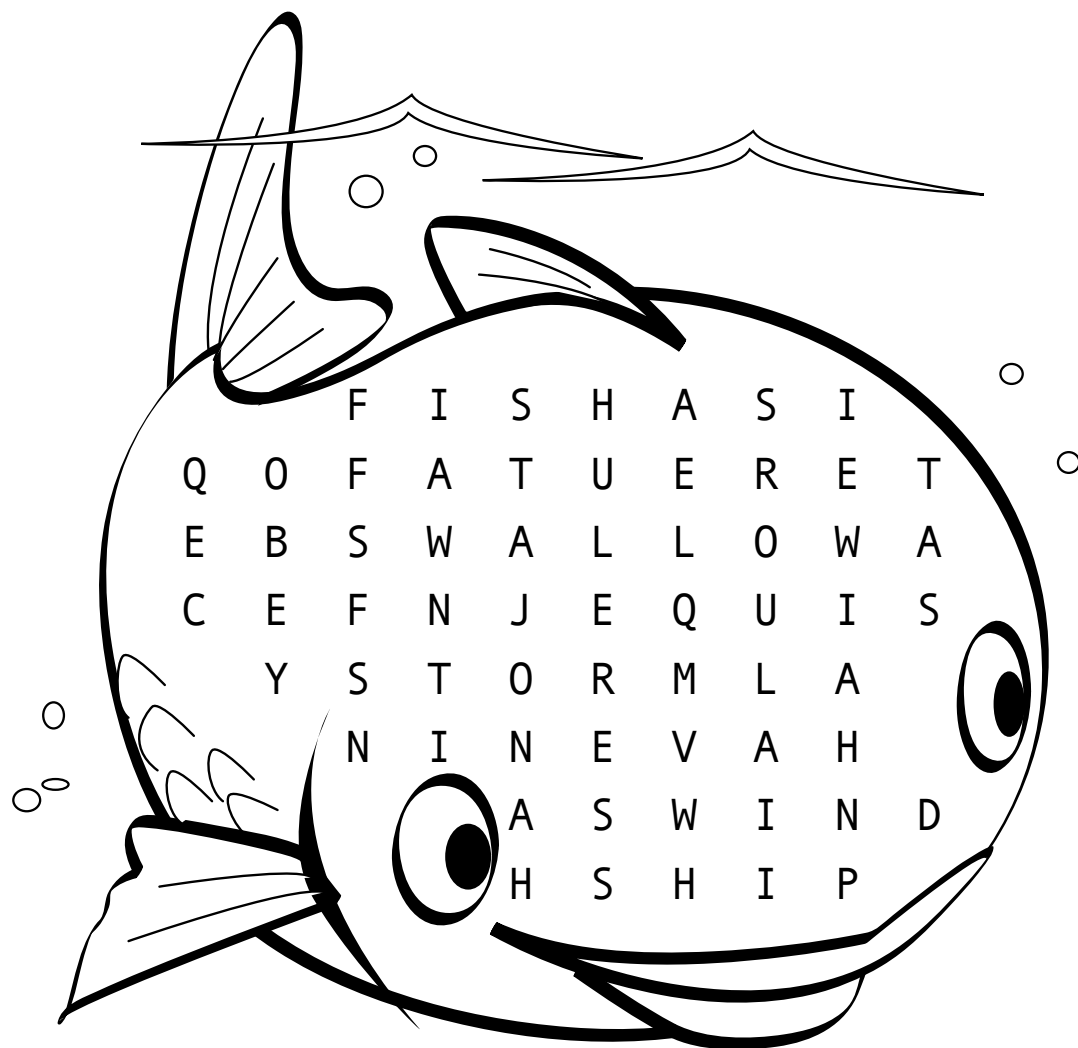


1. Blue 2. Blue Violet 3. Light Blue 4. Dark Blue 5. Brown 6. Tan 7. Orange 8. Dark Green 9. Skin
10. Light Green 11. Pink 12. Light Yellow

Jonah and the Big Fish

Word Search

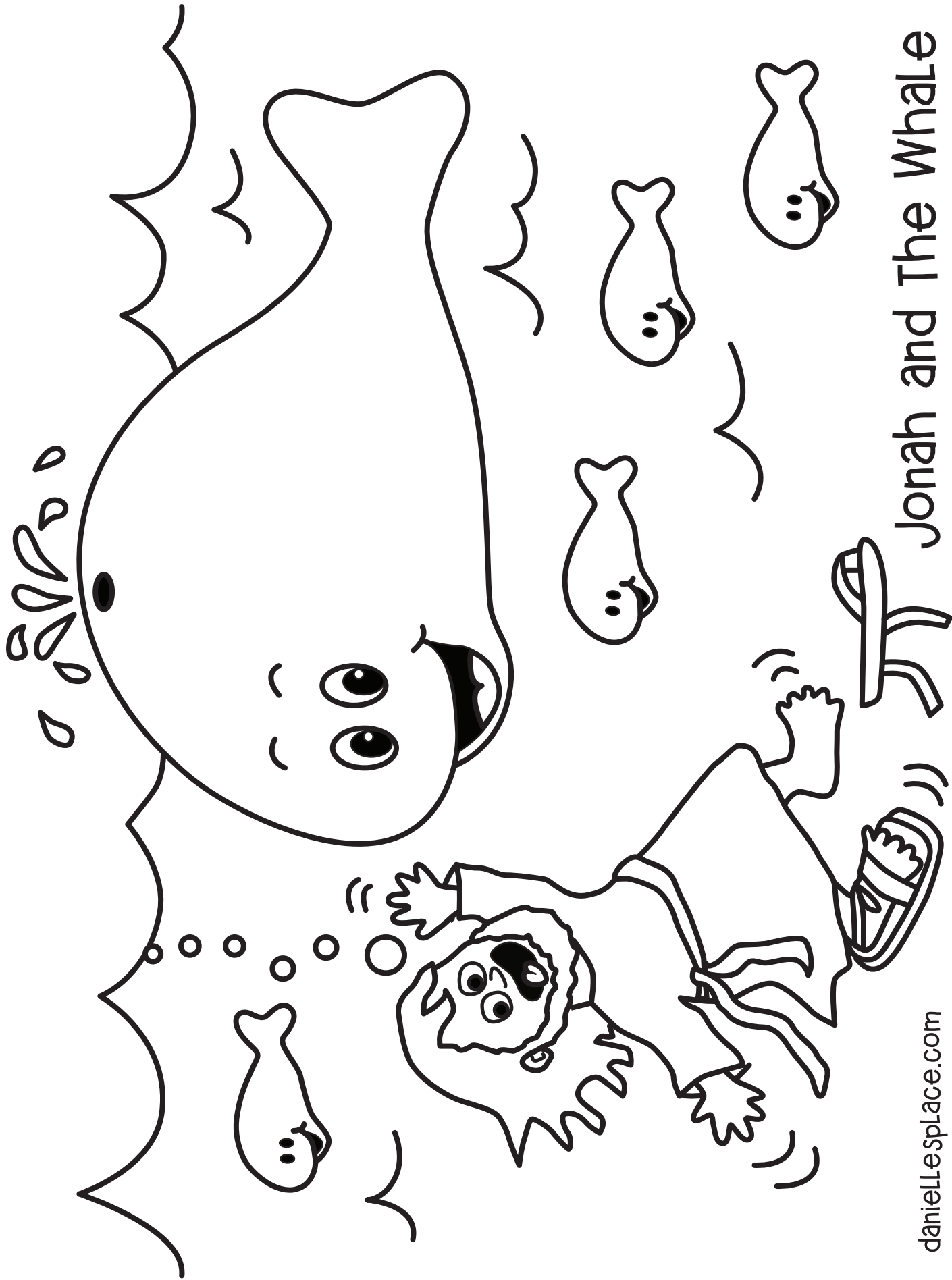
Find the words on the list that are hidden in the puzzle. The words can be left to right, up and down, or diagonally.



FISH
JONAH
NINEVAH

OBEY
SEA
SHIP

STORM
SWALLOW
WIND



Jonah and The Whale