

Noah and his famous ark

Long, long ago, God told Noah to build an ark and to gather into it all the animals that He had created. Noah made a big ship of wood. He covered it with tar and pitch. The ship had a long roof and many windows. In each window Noah put a lamp. The ark had a door on the side, and a plank that led from the ground. All the animals entered the ark by this entrance. Male and female animals of every kind went up the plank into the ark. As food for the animals, Noah took grain for the ducks, ears of corn for the pigs, oats for the horses, apples for the worms, seeds for the birds, grass for the sheep, cows, deer and moose, meat for the dogs, cheese for the mice, and eggs for the snakes. When all the animals were in the ark, clouds began to gather. Thunder shook the hills. The rain fell for forty days. The ark rose above the waves. The people left behind were lost in the waves. Noah and all the animals were saved.