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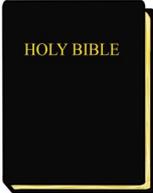
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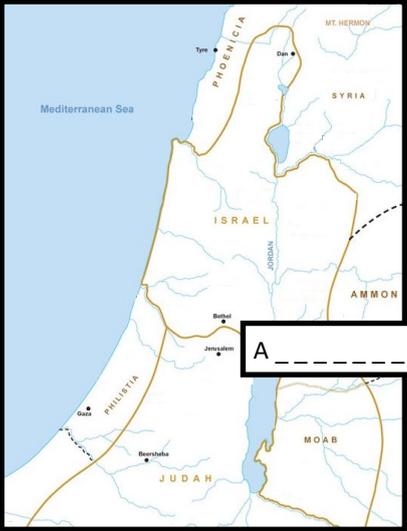
Puzzle Page Level 3

Jeremiah and Josiah's childhood

Two boys who both put God first



Jeremiah 1
2 Chronicles
34 v 1-5



None of us choose **our parents, where** or **when** we are born. But the Bible teaches us that God has planned it.

Jeremiah's father was called _____. (KHHLAII)

His father worked as a _____. (PESIRT)

Label the town near Jerusalem where he lived. (Jer 1.1)

Josiah's father was called _____. (MNAO)

His father was _____ (KGNI) of Judah. (Jer 1.2)

It was a sad time to live because for nearly 60 years the kings of Judah, including Josiah's own grandfather and father, had been encouraging the people to worship idols.

But while they were young both Jeremiah and Josiah sought the Lord.

- ◆ Josiah was born in 648BC.
- ◆ He became king in 640BC when his father died: he was just ___ years old.
- ◆ He began to seek the Lord in 632BC when he was only ___ years old.

Remember the numbers go down for BC

During this time Zephaniah warned the people of Jerusalem that God would punish those who rejected Him. Write out what he told the people to do.

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.....(Zephaniah 2 v 3)

In 628BC, when Josiah was 20 years old, he began to destroy the idols in the land of Judah. Then in the next year, which was 627BC, God told Jeremiah that He had a special work for him to do. God had chosen Jeremiah to be His spokesman to the people of Jerusalem. Jeremiah was still only young but God told him that he must be a prophet.



Underline the reason why Jeremiah felt he couldn't be a prophet...(v6)

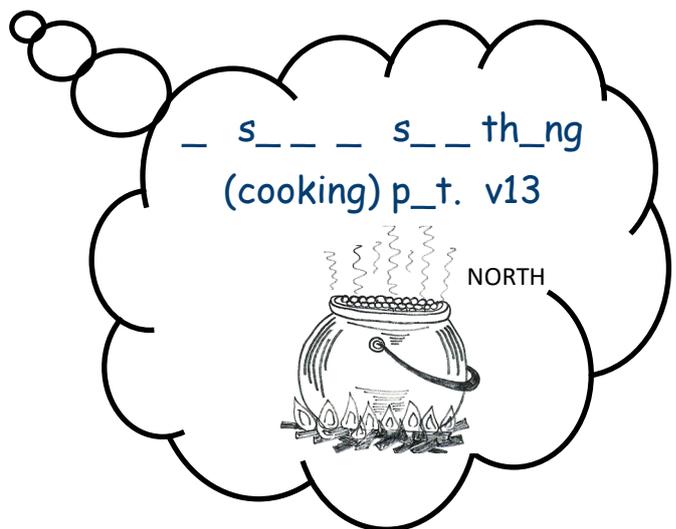
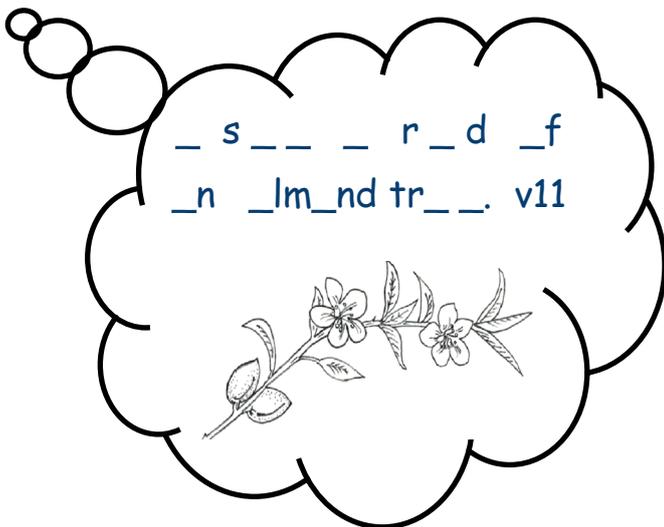
Lived in Anathoth

Not important

Still a child

But God promised Jeremiah that He would be with Him.

In two dreams/visions God showed Jeremiah what message he would need to tell the people. Fill in the missing vowels to complete what Jeremiah said he saw...



Just as the almond tree is one of the first trees to wake up after winter, Jeremiah had to tell the people to wake up. Just as the cooking pot was tipping towards the North, Jeremiah had to warn the people that trouble was coming from the North. One day we will each have to face God's judgement which is why we need to be ready. Paul says, 'Let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch.'

1 Thess. 5 v 6

God knew that the people would not want to listen to Jeremiah's message. Write out what God promised Jeremiah in verse 19.

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.....(Jeremiah 1 v 19)