

Plan for year N1 lesson 22

The aims of this lesson are

- a) to learn more about sacrifice
- b) to learn the 3rd part of a prayer

The objectives are that, *after fully participating in both the lesson and the homework*, the student should be able to:

- a) recite 3 parts of prayer from memory
- b) talk about the example of sacrifice in the story

materials: Singing Wind book; story page ; worksheet .

1. Introduction. Game: Mulberry bush. All join hands in circle and walk round singing:
Here we go round the mulberry bush, the mulberry bush, the mulberry bush,
Here we go round the mulberry bush, on a cold and frosty morning.
Drop hands and all perform action chosen in turn, e.g.
This is the way we brush our hair, brush our hair, brush our hair,
This is the way we brush our hair, on a cold and frosty morning.
(before next action, join hands and repeat first verse.)

Next 3 items sitting on the floor in a circle.
2. News. Ask what has happened to the beans which were taken home, have plants grown? Has the bean sacrificed itself to grow the plant?
3. Mark homework.
4. Virtue (discuss). Revise Faithfulness.
5. Virtue (role play).
6. Revision of previous lesson.
7. Playtime.
8. New Topic introduction. Stories of sacrifice - throughout history.
Mary Jones & the Bible (see separate page)
[relates Mary's patience, in bringing the Bible to Wales, to Bahá'u'lláh's Valley of Search.]
9. Art re New Topic.
Draw a picture of Mary Jones working to earn money for her Bible.

10. Story. The Beautiful Day

[relevant pictures in worksheet.]

The rain fell, and the corn in the fields grew green and tall. "What a beautiful day," said the corn.

The rain fell, and the animals ran to the river to drink. "What a beautiful day," said the animals.

The rain fell, and the shallow pools of the fish became deep and wide. "What a beautiful day," said the fish.

The rain fell, washing the hot dry dust from the camels in the desert sand. "What a beautiful day," said the camels.

The rain fell, and made little puddles for the birds to bathe in. "What a beautiful day," said the birds.

The rain fell, and the people in the street hurried by, wanting to get home. An old lady stood on the pavement, feeling tired, until a little boy stopped and gave her a smile. "What a beautiful day," said the old lady.

'Abdu'l-Bahá says:

"O God. . . Cultivate this fresh plant in the rose garden of Thy love and nurture it by showers from the clouds of Providence."

11. Playtime.

12. Prayers/Writings. Repeat in usual way, words of this section of the prayer:

"... Deliver me from darkness, make me a brilliant light; free me from unhappiness; make me a flower of the rose-garden..."

[all 3 sections are in handout.]

13. Discussion.

What sacrifice did Mary make to get her Bible?

14. Singing. One heart, ruby red. (in Singing Wind book.)

15. Playtime.

16. worksheet.

17. Revision of this lesson.

18. Set Homework.