

Jacob and Esau Worksheet

Hard: look up the answers in your Bible • Genesis 25; 27; 32–33

Name: _____ Date: _____

Look it up in your Bible

Read the verse, then write the answer on the line.

1. Who came out first, red and hairy? *Read Genesis 25:25.* _____
2. What kind of man was Esau? *Read Genesis 25:27.* _____
3. What did Esau sell unto Jacob? *Read Genesis 25:33.* _____
4. What did Isaac say when he felt Jacob? *Read Genesis 27:22.* _____
5. What did Esau do when he heard it? *Read Genesis 27:38.* _____
6. What did Jacob pray when he feared Esau? *Read Genesis 32:11.* _____
7. What new name was Jacob given? *Read Genesis 32:28.* _____
8. What did Esau do when he met Jacob? *Read Genesis 33:4.* _____

Memory verse

Write Ephesians 4:32 from memory. The first letter of each word is given.

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 o a , e a G f C s h
 f y . *Ephesians 4:32 (KJV)*

Think about it

Jacob tricked his brother, but years later Esau ran to meet him and embraced him (Genesis 33:4). Who can you forgive, "even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you" (Ephesians 4:32)?



Answer key

Look it up in your Bible

1. Esau. (*Genesis 25:25*)
2. A cunning hunter, a man of the field. (*Genesis 25:27*)
3. His birthright. (*Genesis 25:33*)
4. "The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau." (*Genesis 27:22*)
5. He lifted up his voice, and wept. (*Genesis 27:38*)
6. "Deliver me, I pray thee, from the hand of my brother." (*Genesis 32:11*)
7. Israel. (*Genesis 32:28*)
8. He ran to meet him, and embraced him, and kissed him. (*Genesis 33:4*)

Memory verse

"And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you." *Ephesians 4:32 (KJV)*

Think about it

Answers will vary. Jacob's trick was wrong and hurt his family (*Genesis 27:35–41*), but the brothers made peace. God forgives us, and He helps us forgive others (*Ephesians 4:32*). Encourage them to talk with their parents and pastor about obeying the gospel (*Acts 2:38*).

For the teacher

Time: about 20 minutes • **Ages:** grades 3–5

- **Bibles:** each child (or each pair) needs a King James Bible open to *Genesis 25* and *Genesis 27* and *Genesis 32–33*.
- **Old Bible words explained:** cunning = skillful, pottage = stew, lentiles = lentils (small beans), birthright = the firstborn son's special share, despised = did not care about, venison = meat from hunting, savoury meat = tasty food, raiment = clothes, subtilty = trickery, supplanted = tricked and took the place of, ford = a shallow place to cross a stream, embraced = hugged, tenderhearted = gentle and caring.
- **Talk about it:** Esau embraced his brother, and they wept (*Genesis 33:4*). Ask kids to share their "think about it" answers.
- **Teach the story first:** use the free Jacob and Esau Sunday school lesson at vbshq.com/lessons/jacob-and-esau-lesson.

