

Noah's Ark Craft

Paper plate rainbow and ark · Genesis 6–9 · print page 2 for each child (and page 3 for the harder level)

What it looks like finished



Easy and medium: crayon rainbow

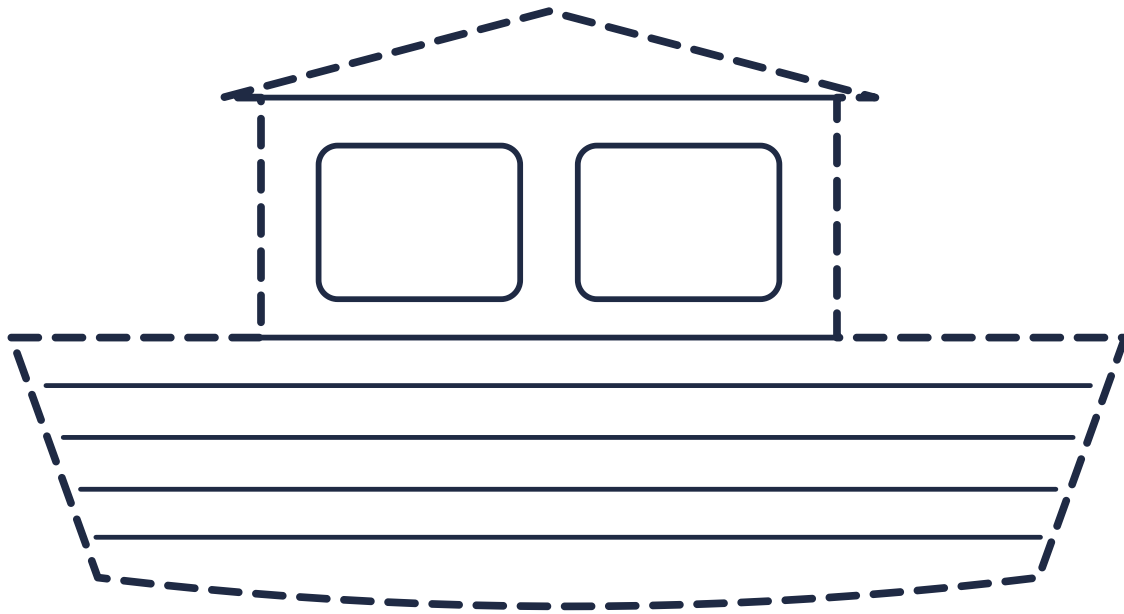


Harder: cut paper rainbow

Both have a paper plate rainbow arching over Noah's ark, animals two by two in the windows and cotton-ball clouds. For the harder level, kids cut the six rainbow bands from page 3 and glue them on.

Name: _____

✂ Cut on the dashed lines



**"I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant
between me and the earth."**

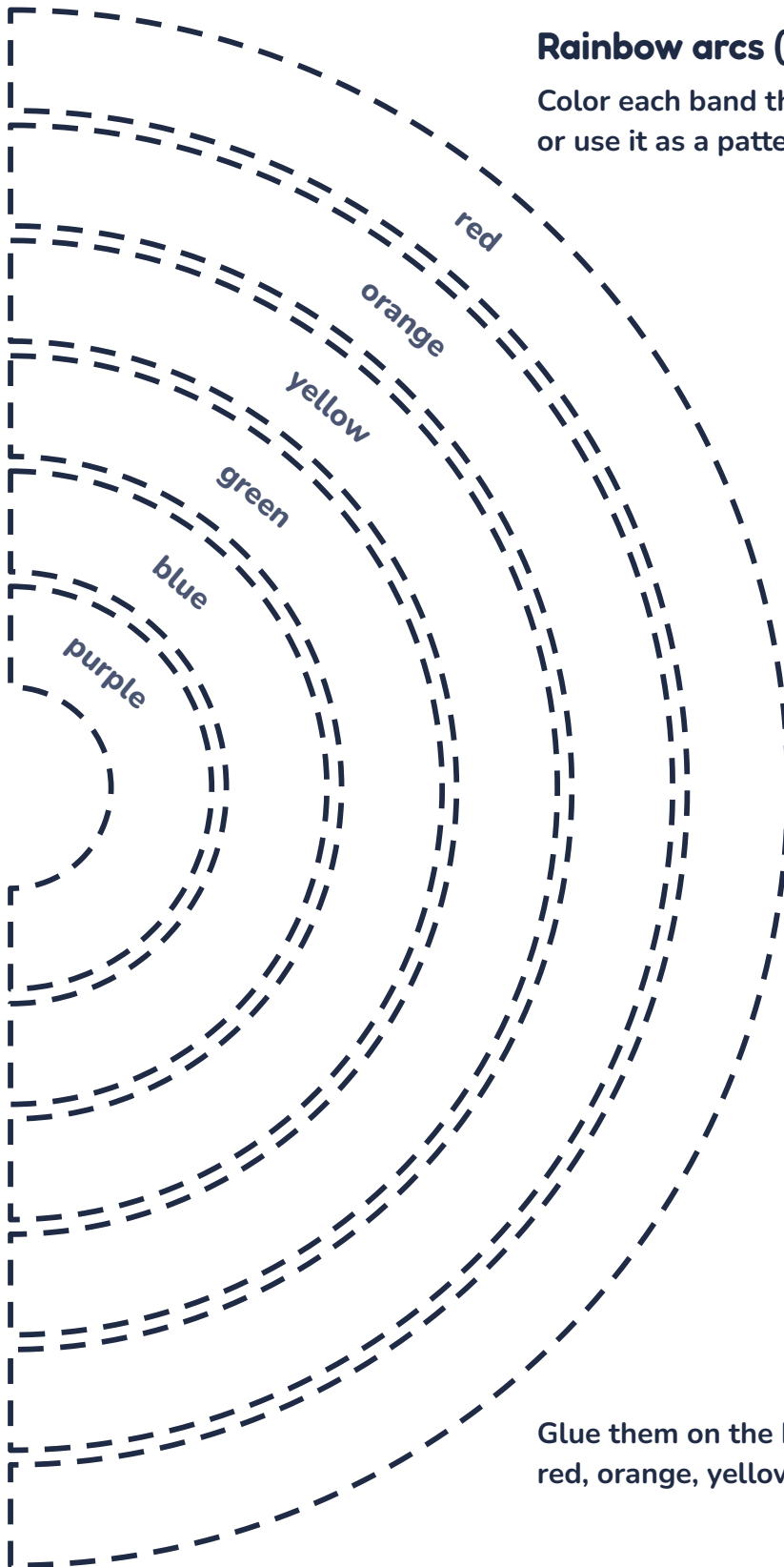
Genesis 9:13 (KJV)

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Rainbow arcs (harder level)

Color each band the color printed in it,
or use it as a pattern on colored paper.



Glue them on the half plate from the outside in:
red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple.

For the teacher

See it finished: a photo of the finished craft is at vbshq.com/crafts/noahs-ark-craft

Time: 15 to 30 minutes, depending on the level · **Ages:** 3 to 11, in three levels · **Cost:** under 50 cents a child for the easy and medium levels

You need: half a paper plate per child, page 2 printed once per child, crayons or markers, scissors, glue sticks, 4 cotton balls per child. For the harder level, also page 3 printed once per child, and colored paper or crayons.

Before class: cut the paper plates in half. For preschoolers, cut out the arks and verse strips ahead of time.

Three ways to make it

- **Easy (preschool, ages 3–5), about 15 minutes, no scissors:** before class, cut out each child's ark and verse strip. Kids color the rainbow stripes on the half plate with crayons, color the ark, glue it along the straight edge and glue on the cotton-ball clouds. Glue the verse strip on the back for them and read it together.
- **Medium (grades K–2), about 20 minutes:** follow the steps below. Kids color the rainbow on the plate, color and cut out the ark, glue on cotton-ball clouds and glue the verse strip on the back. This is the craft in the photo.
- **Harder (grades 3–5), about 30 minutes:** instead of coloring the rainbow, kids cut out the six rainbow arcs on page 3 and glue them on the half plate from the outside in: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple. Then they color the ark brown, draw animals two by two in the windows, cut it out and glue it along the straight edge. They glue cotton-ball clouds at both ends of the rainbow, glue the verse strip on the back and say the verse from memory.
- **Paper for the harder arcs:** if you have colored paper, cut one set of arcs from page 3 to use as patterns, then trace each arc onto paper of its color and cut it out (you can trace them before class). If you don't, kids color each printed band the color written in it, then cut it out.

Steps (medium level)

1. **Rainbow:** on the bottom side of the half plate, color six stripes that follow the curve, from the outside in: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple.
2. **Ark:** color the ark brown. In the two windows, draw animals peeking out, two of each kind (Genesis 7:9).
3. **Cut:** cut out the ark and the verse strip on the dashed lines.
4. **Glue the ark** along the straight edge of the plate so the rainbow arches over it.
5. **Clouds:** glue two cotton balls at each end of the rainbow.
6. **Verse:** glue the verse strip on the back and read it together.



Questions to ask while kids work

- Noah did everything God told him to do (Genesis 6:22). What is one thing God wants you to obey this week?
- God told Noah to take the animals in two by two, and seven pairs of the clean animals and birds (Genesis 7:2–3). Which animals did you draw?
- After the flood, God put a rainbow in the cloud as a sign of His promise (Genesis 9:13). God always keeps His promises. When you see a rainbow, thank Him!

Tips

- **Old Bible words explained:** bow = rainbow, token = sign, covenant = a promise God makes.
- **Preschool:** pre-cut everything and use glue sticks, not liquid glue. Hold up a finished craft so they can see the goal.
- **Mess control:** hand out cotton balls only after the ark is glued down.
- **Teach the story first:** this craft goes with the free Noah's Ark Sunday school lesson and word search at vbshq.com/bible-stories/noahs-ark.