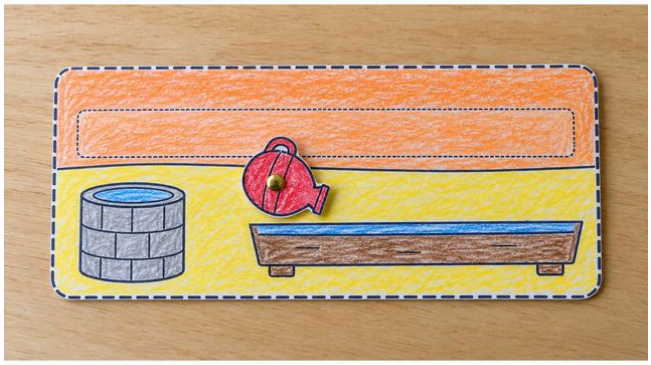
Preschool–Grade 5

Rebekah Craft

I will draw water for thy camels also · Genesis 24 · print page 2 for each child (and page 3 for the harder level)

What it looks like finished



Easy and medium



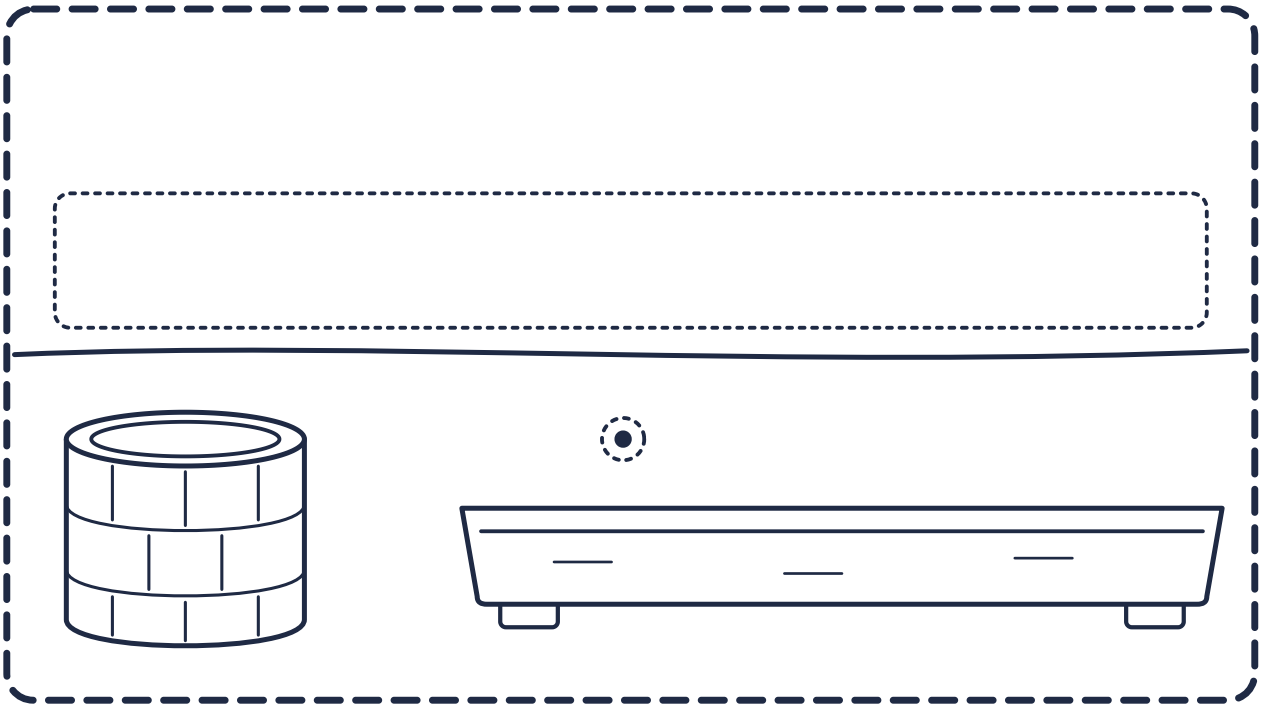
Harder

Both levels are a wide card: an orange evening sky, yellow ground, a gray stone well with blue water on the left, and a long brown trough with blue water on the right. A red pitcher is fastened above the trough with a brad, so it turns to pour into the trough, because Rebekah "emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again unto the well to draw water, and drew for all his camels" (Genesis 24:20). Medium (left): the well card. Harder (right): the same card with a strip of ten brown kneeling camels in the sky band behind the well, for the ten camels (24:10–11).

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Name: _____

✂ Cut on the dashed lines



card: sky orange (evening), ground yellow, well gray, water in the well and trough blue, trough brown



pitcher: red. A grown-up pokes the brad hole through the dot on the pitcher and the dot on the card.

And when she had done giving him drink, she said, I will draw water for thy camels also, until they have done drinking.

Genesis 24:19 (KJV)

verse strip: glue it on the back of the card
(the dotted band in the sky is for the harder level)

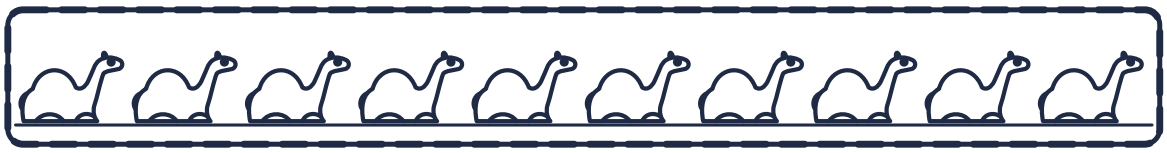
Color each piece the way its label says. Cut out the card, the pitcher and the verse strip. A grown-up pokes the brad hole through the two dots.

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Name: _____

✂ Harder level

Ten camels (harder level)



camels brown, ground strip yellow. Count them: ten camels (Genesis 24:10).

How to add the ten camels

1. Make the well card from page 2 first, with the pitcher on its brad and the verse strip on the back of the card.
2. Color the ten camels brown and the ground strip under them yellow. Cut out the strip on the dashed line.
3. Count the camels out loud: ten camels, the number Abraham's servant took (Genesis 24:10).
4. Find the dotted band in the sky, above the well and the trough. Put glue on the back of the strip and press it on the dotted band.
5. Tell it: the servant "made his camels to kneel down without the city by a well of water at the time of the evening" (24:11). Rebekah said, "I will draw water for thy camels also, until they have done drinking" (24:19). Turn the pitcher and pour once for each camel: one, two, three… ten!

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For the teacher

See it finished: a photo of the finished craft is at vbshq.com/crafts/rebekah-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: page 2 printed once per child (cardstock is sturdiest), one brass paper fastener (brad) per child, orange, yellow, gray, blue, brown and red crayons or markers, scissors, glue sticks and a sharp pencil. For the harder level, also page 3 printed once per child.
Before class: for preschoolers, cut out the card, the pitcher and the verse strip, and attach the pitcher with the brad. Keep the brads with you: they are small, so a grown-up handles them for little ones.

Three ways to make it

- **Easy (preschool, ages 3–5), about 15 minutes, no scissors:** before class, cut out each child's card, pitcher and verse strip and fasten the pitcher with the brad. Kids color the card and the pitcher, then turn the pitcher to pour water into the trough. Glue the verse strip on the back for them.
- **Medium (grades K–2), about 20 minutes:** follow the steps below. Kids color and cut out the pieces themselves, and a grown-up pokes the brad hole. This is the craft in the first photo.
- **Harder (grades 3–5), about 30 minutes:** make the well card like the medium level. Then add the strip of ten kneeling camels from page 3 in the sky band, for the ten camels that knelt by the well (Genesis 24:10–11). This is the craft in the second photo.

Steps (medium level)

1. **Color the card:** the sky orange (it was evening, Genesis 24:11), the ground yellow, the well gray, the water in the well and in the trough blue, and the trough brown.
2. **Color the pitcher** red.
3. **Cut:** cut out the card, the pitcher and the verse strip on the dashed lines.
4. **Pitcher:** lay the pitcher's dot on top of the dot above the trough. A grown-up pokes a small hole through both dots with a sharp pencil. Push the brad through from the front and open its legs flat on the back.
5. **Verse:** turn the card over. Glue the verse strip on the back, below the brad, and read it together.
6. **Tell it:** turn the pitcher to pour into the trough as you say, "she hasted, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again unto the well to draw water, and drew for all his camels" (Genesis 24:20). Turn it back up and pour again, and again!

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Questions to ask while kids work

- Why did Abraham send his servant on a long trip? *(To find a wife for his son Isaac from Abraham's own family, Genesis 24:2–4)*
- Count the camels (harder level). How many camels did the servant take? *(Ten, 24:10)*
- What did the servant do first at the well? *(He prayed, 24:12–14)*
- When did Rebekah come out? *(Before he had done speaking, 24:15)*
- Point to the pitcher. Where did Rebekah carry it? *(Upon her shoulder, 24:15)*
- What did the servant ask for? *(A little water to drink, 24:17)*
- What did Rebekah offer to do that he didn't ask for? *(Draw water for his camels too, until they had done drinking, 24:19)*
- Turn the pitcher. Where did she pour the water? *(Into the trough, 24:20)*
- What did the servant do when he knew God had answered? *(He bowed his head and worshipped the LORD: "the LORD led me," 24:26–27)*
- What did Rebekah say when they asked, "Wilt thou go with this man?" *("I will go," 24:58)*

Tips

- **Old Bible words explained:** to **draw** water means to fill a jar from the well; a **pitcher** is a big water jar; a **trough** is a long box animals drink from; **hasted** means hurried; **thy** means your.
- **What the Bible says:** Genesis 24 does not say what the well, the trough or the pitcher looked like, or what color anything was. The shapes and colors are the craft's simple picture of the story. The orange sky is for "the time of the evening" (24:11).
- **No one is drawn on the template.** The craft shows Rebekah's kindness through her pitcher, the trough and the camels. Abraham's servant is never named in Genesis 24, so the craft doesn't name him.
- **Brads:** poke the hole after the coloring is done, or the paper tears. If you have no brads, glue the pitcher tipped over the trough.
- **Preschool:** pre-cut everything and attach the brads yourself. Use glue sticks, not liquid glue. Let every child pour for the camels while you count together.
- **Teach the story first:** this craft goes with the free Rebekah lesson and word search at vbshq.com/bible-stories/rebekah.

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