Grades 3–5 · Hard

Rehoboam Worksheet

Hard: look up the answers in your Bible · 1 Kings 12:1–20

Name: _____ Date: _____

Look it up in your Bible

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

1. Where did Rehoboam go to be made king? *Read 1 Kings 12:1.* _____
2. What did the people ask Rehoboam? *Read 1 Kings 12:4.* _____
3. Who did Rehoboam ask first? *Read 1 Kings 12:6.* _____
4. What did the old men tell him to do? *Read 1 Kings 12:7.* _____
5. Whose counsel did Rehoboam forsake? *Read 1 Kings 12:8.* _____
6. How did the king answer the people? *Read 1 Kings 12:13.* _____
7. Where did Israel go? *Read 1 Kings 12:16.* _____
8. Who did Israel make king over all Israel? *Read 1 Kings 12:20.* _____

Memory verse

Write 1 Kings 12:7 from memory. The first letter of each word is given.

And t s u h , s , I t w b a
s u t p t d , a w s t ,
a a t , a s g w t t , t
t w b t s f e . *1 Kings 12:7 (KJV)*

Think about it

The old men said to speak good words (1 Kings 12:7). Who can you serve?

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Answer key

Look it up in your Bible

1. To **Shechem**, for all Israel were come to Shechem to make him king. *(1 Kings 12:1)*
2. To make his father's **heavy yoke** lighter, and they would serve him. *(1 Kings 12:4)*
3. **The old men, that stood before Solomon his father.** *(1 Kings 12:6)*
4. **Be a servant unto this people**, serve them, and **speak good words to them**. *(1 Kings 12:7)*
5. **The counsel of the old men.** He asked the young men instead. *(1 Kings 12:8)*
6. **Roughly.** *(1 Kings 12:13)*
7. **Unto their tents.** *(1 Kings 12:16)*
8. **Jeroboam.** Only the tribe of Judah followed the house of David. *(1 Kings 12:20)*

Memory verse

"And they spake unto him, saying, If thou wilt be a servant unto this people this day, and wilt serve them, and answer them, and speak good words to them, then they will be thy servants for ever." *1 Kings 12:7 (KJV)*

Think about it

Answers will vary (help at home, share, speak kindly to a brother or sister, listen to parents and pastor). Help kids see that Rehoboam did not listen to good counsel and answered roughly, and the kingdom was split (1 Kings 12:13, 19).

For the teacher

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

- **Bibles:** each child (or each pair) needs a King James Bible open to 1 Kings 12.
- **Old Bible words explained:** yoke = a heavy load, grievous = hard, depart = go away, consulted = asked for advice, counsel = advice, forsook = turned away from, roughly = in a harsh way, rebelled = turned against.
- **Talk about it:** The old men said, "speak good words to them" (1 Kings 12:7), but the king "answered the people roughly" (1 Kings 12:13). Ask kids to share their "think about it" answers.
- **Teach the story first:** use the free Rehoboam and the Divided Kingdom Sunday school lesson at vbshq.com/lessons/rehoboam-lesson.

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