

ETHIOPIA



Ethiopia is a beautiful country with many big mountain ranges. Its largest city, Addis Ababa, sits on the Ethiopian Highlands and is one of the highest capital cities in the world! Ethiopia is home to lots of animals that can't be found anywhere else in the world, like the Mountain Nyala and Black Lion. CMS missionaries are sharing the love of Jesus by teaching the Bible and building relationships with people in Ethiopia.

ACTIVITY

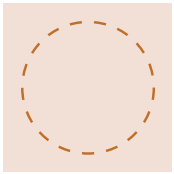
The remoteness of many parts of Ethiopia meant that, historically, people had to make their own cloth through weaving. Today, textile weaving is a significant part of Ethiopian culture. Have a go at creating your own friendship bracelet and cardboard loom.

MATERIALS: ○ cardboard ○ wool ○ scissors ○ ruler ○ pencil

ASK AN ADULT FOR HELP IF NEEDED.

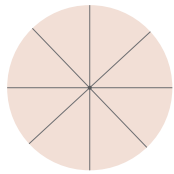
STEPS:

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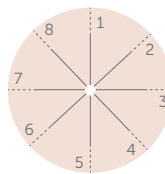
Draw a circle on a piece of cardboard and carefully cut it out.

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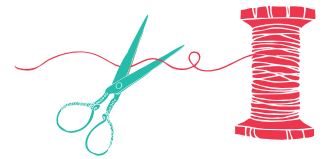
Find the centre of the circle and make a mark with your pencil. Using a ruler, draw eight lines, making eight equal sections in the circle.

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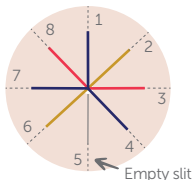
Push your pencil through the centre to make a hole and using your scissors cut 1.5cm cuts on each of the eight lines. On each segment write the numbers 1-8 clockwise.

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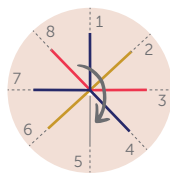
Cut seven pieces of wool, each about 50cm in length. Tie the seven pieces of wool together with a knot at the end.

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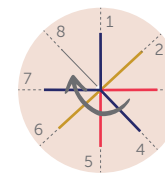
With the unknotted end of the wool, thread it through the hole in the cardboard until the knot meets the hole. Insert each piece of wool into a slit. You will have one empty slit.

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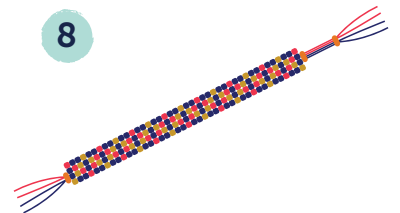
Facing the empty slit towards you, count three pieces of wool left of the empty slit, pick up the wool and move it to the empty slit. In this example, we need to move the wool from number 8 to number 5.

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Working clockwise continue to repeat this, to create your bracelet. Once your bracelet is at the desired length remove the wool from the disk.

8



Tie a knot at the end of the weave, leave a small gap and then tie another knot and cut off any loose ends. Join up the bracelet by pushing the first knot through the gap between the two knots.



Did you know?

Ethiopia has the second largest population in Africa, and most people live in rural areas.



Fun fact:

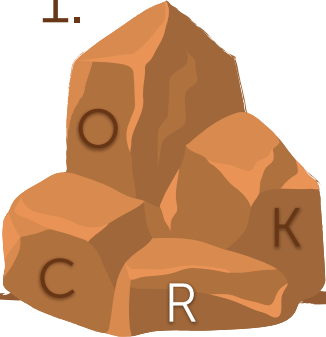
Ethiopia runs its own calendar, which has 13 months in a year.

BIBLE CHALLENGE


In the north of Ethiopia stands the magnificent Gheralta Mountains—with towering sandstone pinnacles and rugged rocky cliffs. Psalm 62:2 tells us that God is the '1', '2' and '3' for those who put their trust in him. We long for all people in Ethiopia to follow the Lord, who is a greater refuge than any rock on earth!

Unscramble the letters in the rocks below to discover what Psalm 62:2 tells us about God. Begin with the white letter.

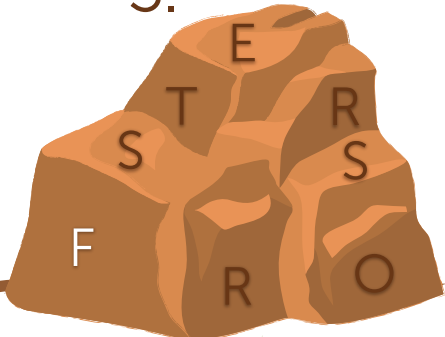
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1. R _____

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HINT: USE YOUR BIBLE IF YOU GET STUCK

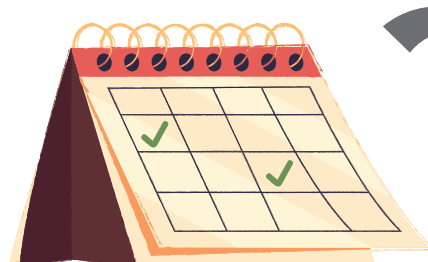
PRAY

Thank God

for believers in Ethiopia who are telling others about Jesus.

Ask God

help believers in Ethiopia to find their refuge in him.



Whenever you write in your **calendar**, pray for Ethiopia!