Creation Stories: The First Days

Learning objective: To understand and sequence the key events found in the Genesis creation narrative and consider how different people interpret the origins of the world.

Ellie the elephant has been reading ancient stories from different traditions. She has mixed up the order of the events from the Genesis creation story. Read the list of events below and write a number (1-6) next to each one to show the correct order in which they were created according to the text.

Word bank: Light · Sky · Land · Plants · Sun · Moon · Stars · Sea creatures · Birds · Animals · Humans

1. 1. God separates the light from the darkness. (1 mark)

2. 2. God creates the sun, the moon, and the stars. (1 mark)

3. 3. God creates the sky to divide the waters. (1 mark)

4. 4. God creates humans to look after the Earth. (1 mark)

5. 5. God creates the land and fills it with plants. (1 mark)

6. 6. God creates sea creatures and birds for the water and air. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture showing your favorite part of the creation story. Use your imagination to show the world as it was being made, perhaps including the plants, the stars, or the animals.

Extension challenge: Ellie the elephant wants to know your opinion! Write two sentences explaining why you think it is important for humans to look after the world that was created. Use the word 'stewardship' if you can.