

PETER FINDS A COIN IN THE MOUTH OF A FISH

Jesus cares and provides for our needs



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This Bible story teaching pack is titled “Peter finds a coin in the mouth of a fish: Jesus cares and provides for our needs”. This is the retelling of the story where Peter found a coin in the mouth of a fish. He then used the coin to pay taxes for himself and Jesus. While explaining this story to your students, it is important to emphasize the following:

- Only God has the power to do amazing miracles (Psalm 62:11).
- God loves, cares and provides for the needs of His creation (Matthew 6:26).
- God expects us to obey His instructions even when it doesn't make sense. He knows what He is doing (Romans 8:28)

The bible references for this story are Matthew 17: 24 -27.

We ask that you take the time to prayerfully read the bible references provided and study the materials too. We pray “that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him” (Ephesians 1:17)

We do not take for granted the call and ministry of training kids in a godly way – right from their childhood. “Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it” (Proverbs 22:6).

We do not underestimate the potentials for kids to understand and store God's word in their hearts from their early age. “And that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus”

(2 Timothy 3:15).

Ultimately, we do not underestimate the power and will of God to bring these children into an enduring relationship with Him. But Jesus said, “Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven” (Matthew 19:14). This is our desire, hope and joy – that each child might come to experience love and grace in Jesus as they understand His words.

In this Bible story teaching pack, you have the following:

1. Story book/cards

You will get a book or a pack of large cards depending on how you print yours. This section has the retelling of the story, Peter finds a coin in the mouth of a fish. There are words and pictures to hold the attention of the children.

2. Conversation cards

These cards will provide some questions for you to explore with the kids. Encourage them to explore the story and lessons from the story, Peter finds a coin in the mouth of a fish, using the questions in these cards. Use these cards in a group activity. You will be amazed at what you find out.

3. Story starter cards

Each of these cards has a story prompt or beginning sentence and a corresponding picture to help kids retell the story, Peter finds a coin in the mouth of a fish, in their own words. Use these cards in a group activity. They will feel confident that they can tell the story and even go on to tell their friends and families. Are you a parent? You will enjoy listening to your child retelling this story.

4. Memory verse and prayer cards

Print these memory verse cards and ask the children to recite them a few times after the study. Then, ask them to take them home, so they can learn to recite the verses during the week.

You can quickly ask them to recite the verse before the next study in the following week.

A prayer card is also provided – please use this only as a guide. The goal is for each child to be able to use their own words while praying to God.

5. Quiz cards

Questions are provided in the quiz cards. The questions are related to the study; thus, you can assess their understanding in this group activity.

6. Crossword puzzle

Print the puzzle to be used as assignment or solved after the study. The answers are included in the puzzle sheet.

7. Maze

Print the maze to be used as assignment or solved after the study.

8. Word search

Print the word search to be used as assignment or solved after the study. The answers are included in the word search sheet.

9. Word scramble

Print the word scramble sheet and get the kids to unscramble the words. A list of words is provided to make this quick, easy, and fun. If you are using with an older kid, you might want to cut out the word list section and get them to unscramble the words without using the word list.

10. Learn and colour

Another activity aimed at emphasizing the study as kids interact with the pictures and the words.

Please note that the instructions are generic to educators. You know your child/children best; so, feel free to use language that is right for the age group you are teaching.

We hope you will find these resources useful in your homes, classes, churches, or any other location where you teach children the word of God.

We welcome any feedback you might have about using these resources. Please send an email to contact@godlypearls.com or reach out to us through our [Facebook page](#).

Thanks, and God bless you.

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A title in the *Bible story teaching pack* by Godly Pearls

Bible References: Matthew 17: 24 -27

You can use this resource to:

- ❖ *Discuss the story of how Peter found a coin in the mouth of a fish from the Bible.*
- ❖ *Discuss lessons from the story and what it means for kids today. Some suggestions are provided in the main story.*
- ❖ *Engage kids in the various activities to reinforce the story and the lessons.*

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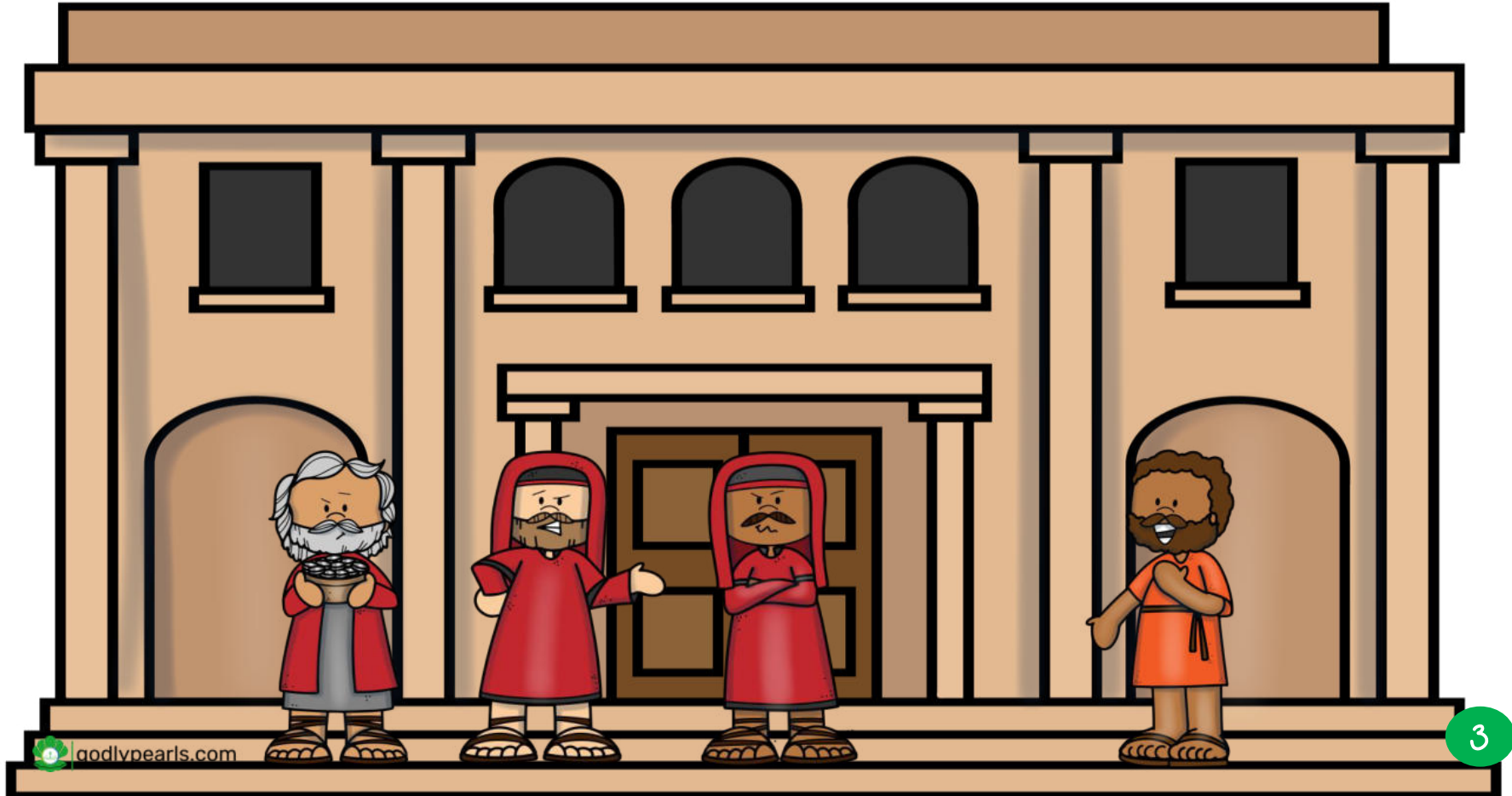
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While Jesus and His disciples were in Capernaum, the tax collectors came to Peter and asked, "Does your Teacher not pay the temple tax?". Peter answered, "Yes".

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When Peter got home, Jesus spoke to him first. Jesus asked, “What do you think, Simon? From whom do the kings of the earth take customs or taxes, from their sons or from strangers?”

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Peter replied, "From strangers." Jesus then said, "Then the sons are free". This means as the Son of God, He didn't need to pay the tax.

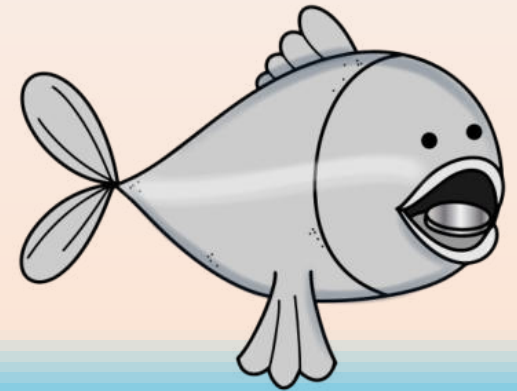
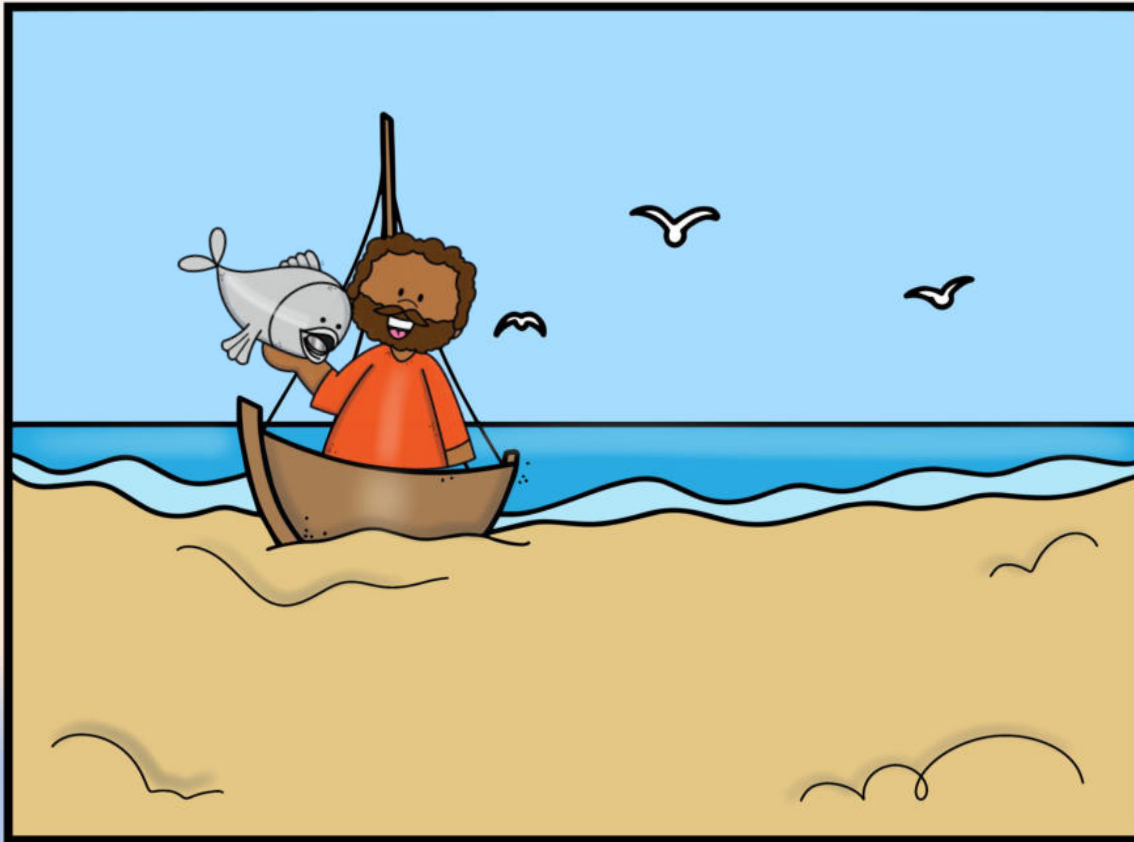
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But Jesus didn't want to cause trouble or offense. So, He told Peter, "Go to the sea, cast in a hook, and take the fish that comes up first. And when you have opened its mouth, you will find a coin; take that and give it to them for Me and you".

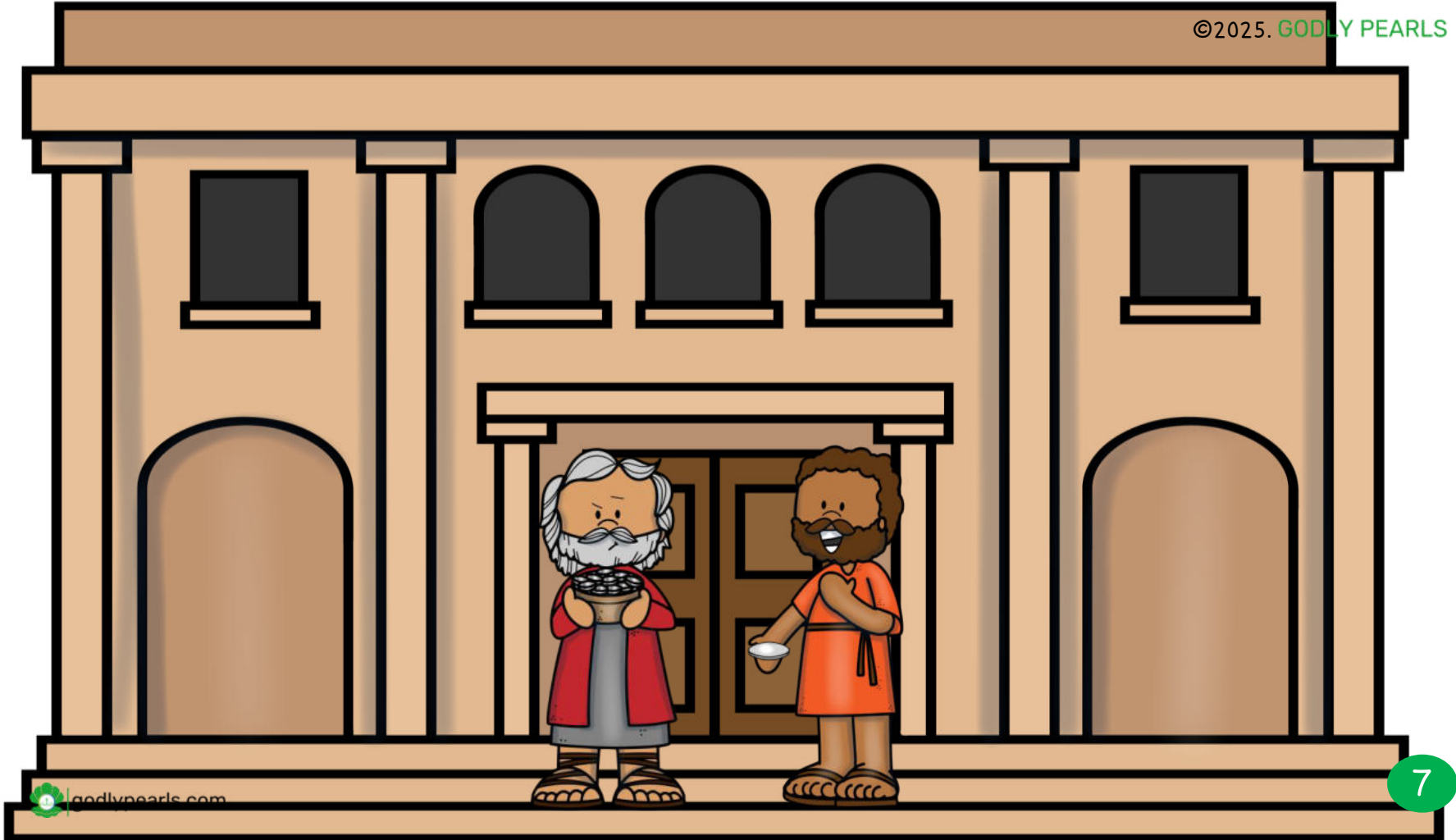
Peter did exactly as Jesus said. He went to the sea, cast out a hook, and caught the first fish that came up. When he opened the fish's mouth, he found a coin, just as Jesus had said.

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Peter took the coin and used it to pay the temple tax for both him and Jesus.

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Finding coin in the mouth
of the fish was a
miracle.

Jesus is the Son of
God. He has power
over all things, even fish.



Jesus cared for
Peter's needs by
providing a way
for him to pay
the temple tax.



Peter obeyed the instruction Jesus gave him even though it did not make sense. Peter also learnt to trust in God's provision for his needs.

I will trust
and obey
God.



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In this story, in what city was Jesus and His disciples?

What did the tax collectors ask Peter?

What did Jesus ask Peter when he got home?

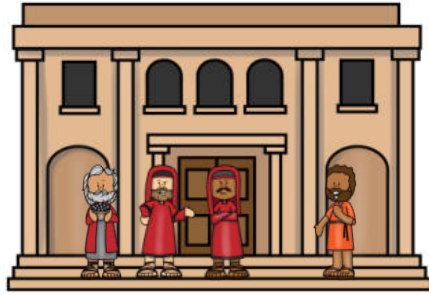
Where did Jesus say Peter would find a coin to pay their taxes?

How did Jesus show that He cared for Peter?

What two things did you learn from the story, Peter finds a coin in fish mouth?

1

The tax collectors ...



2

Jesus ...



3

Then Peter ...



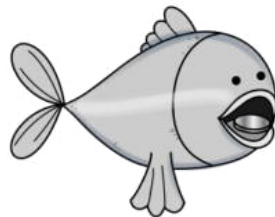
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He ...



5

He ...



6

Then Peter ...



STORY STARTERS

Give examples of how your parents love and care for you?

1

Give examples of what it means to trust and believe in Jesus?

2

How does God care and provide for your needs?

3

Mention three other miracles Jesus did as recorded in the bible?

4



I CAN MEMORIZE

And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4 : 19

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I CAN PRAY

Dear God, thank You for your great power to do amazing miracles. Please help me to trust You and obey whatever You ask me to do in Jesus' name. Amen.

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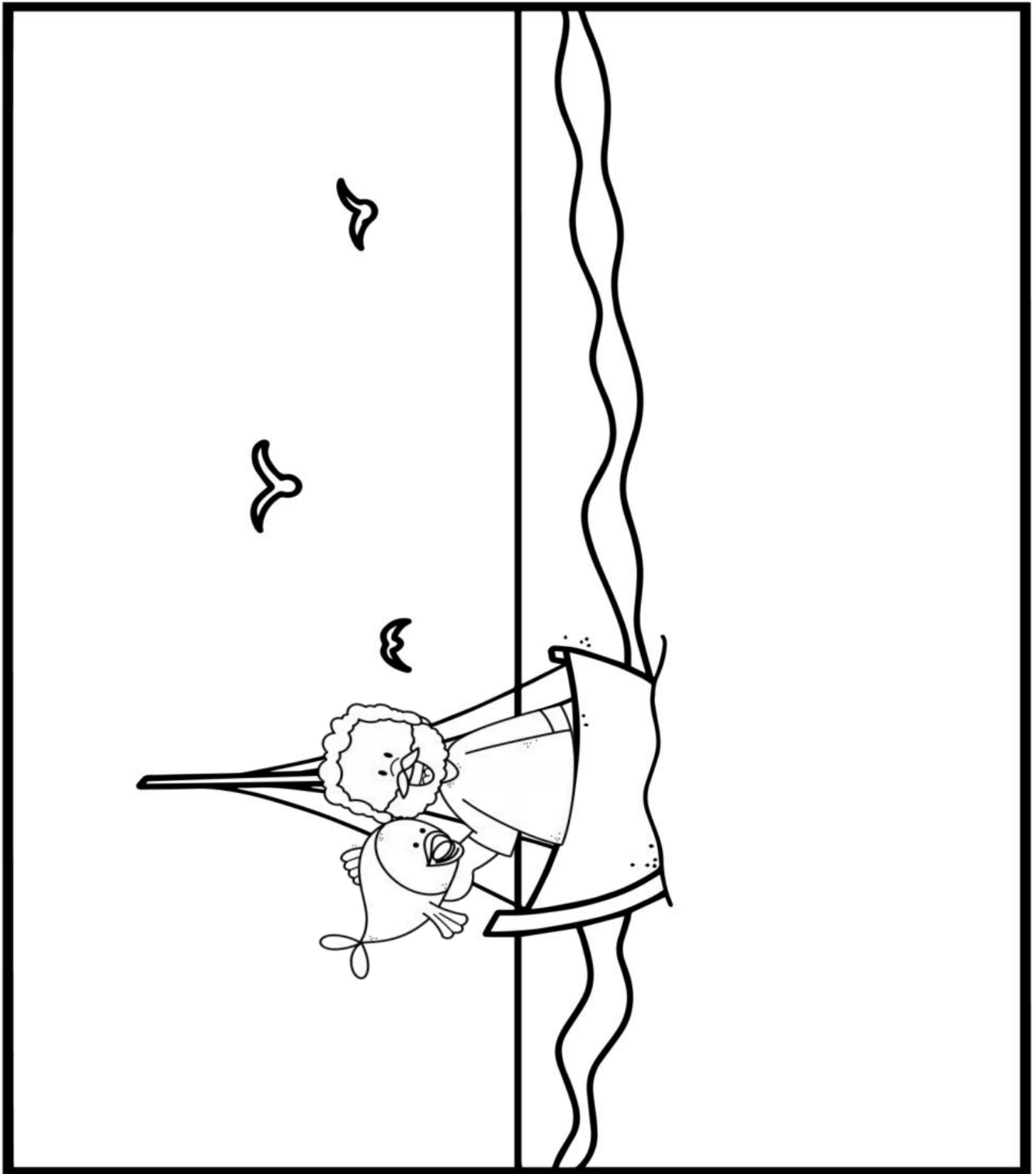
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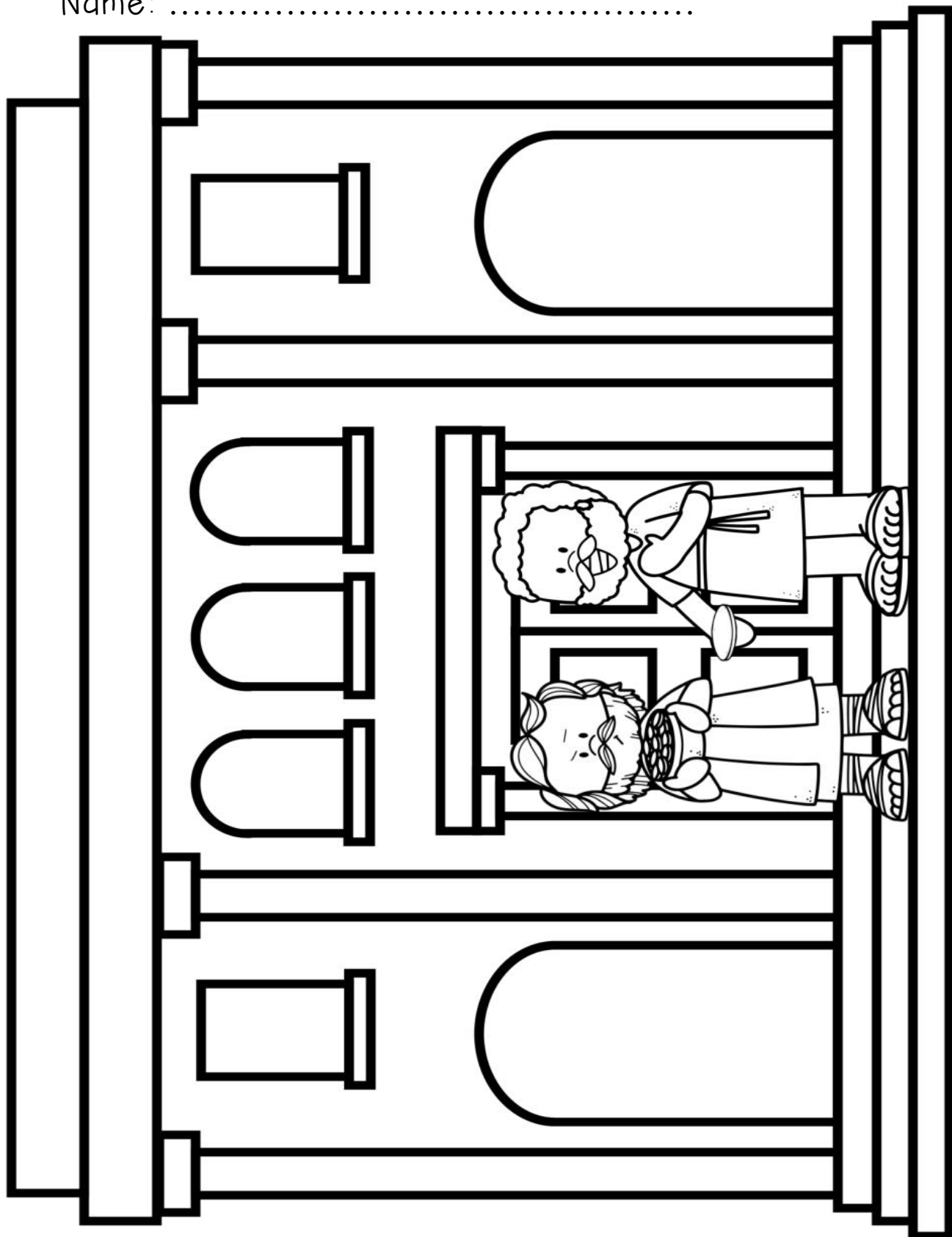
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Word Search

Find and circle the words below

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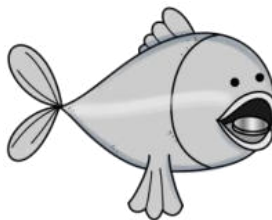
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Disciples

Capernaum

Strangers

Trouble



Offense

Cast

Sea

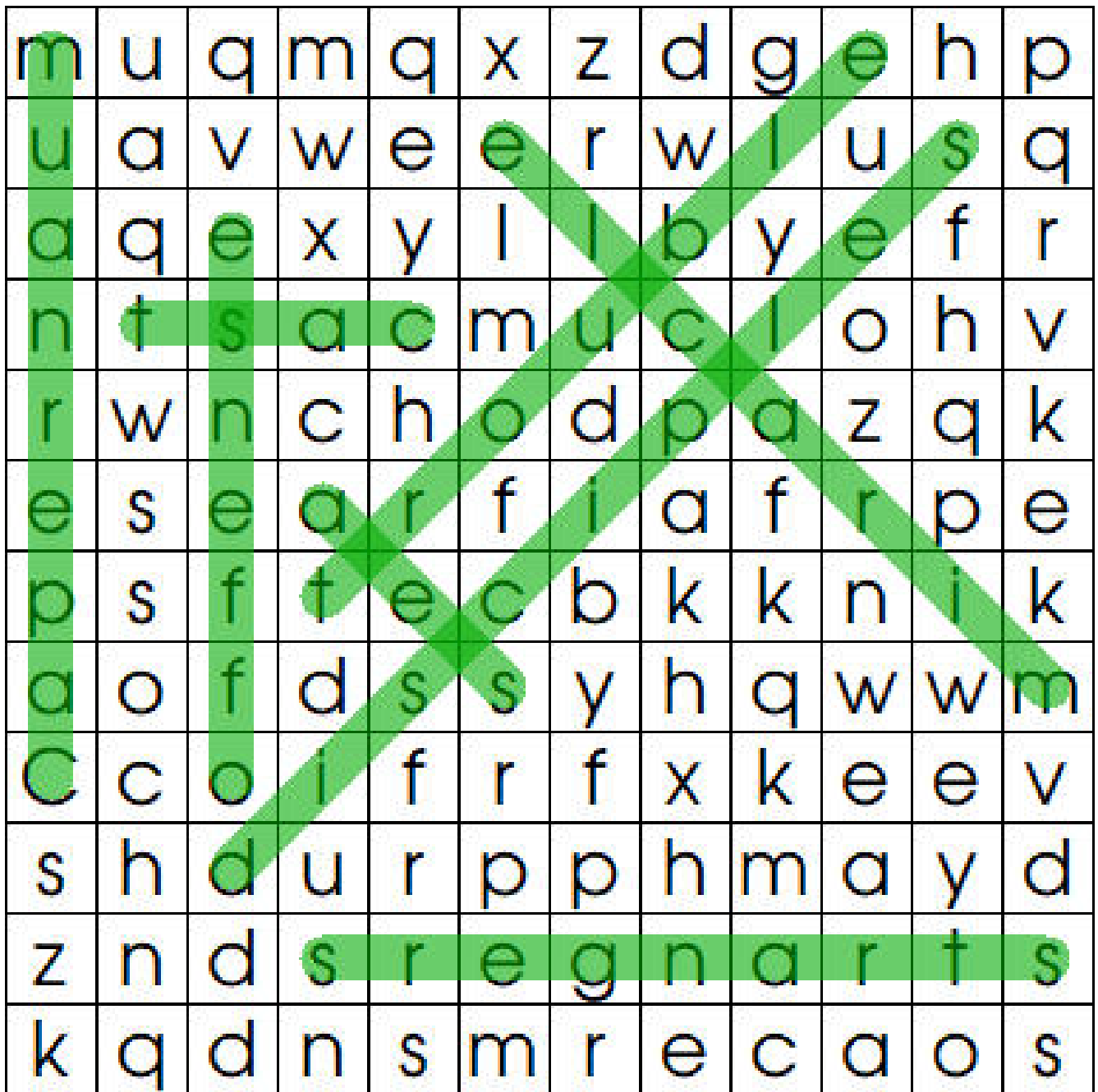
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Word Search - answers

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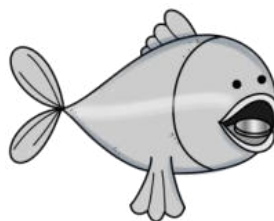


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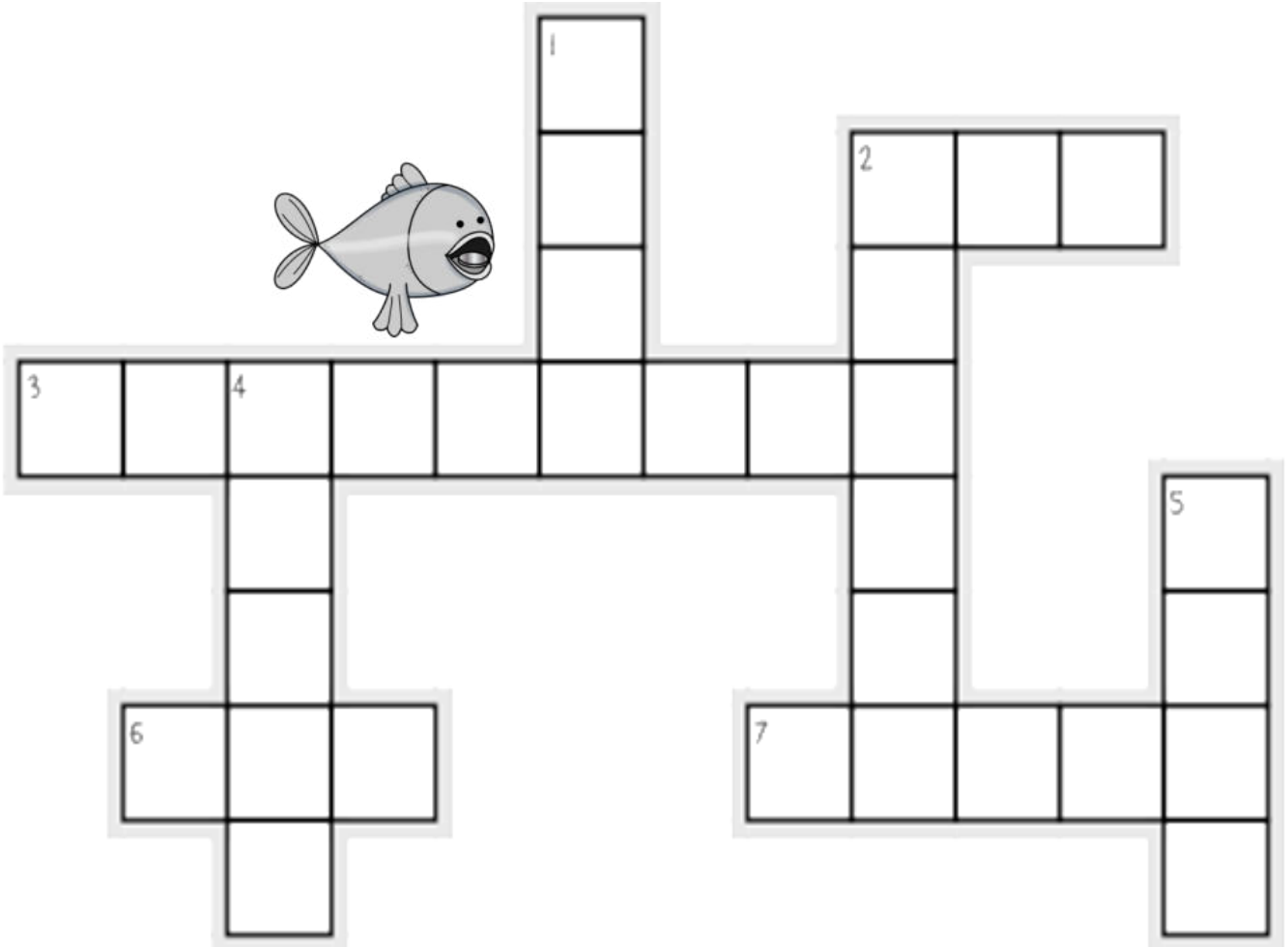
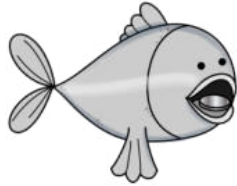
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Crossword Puzzle

Read each clue. Then, write the missing word in the puzzle.

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Across

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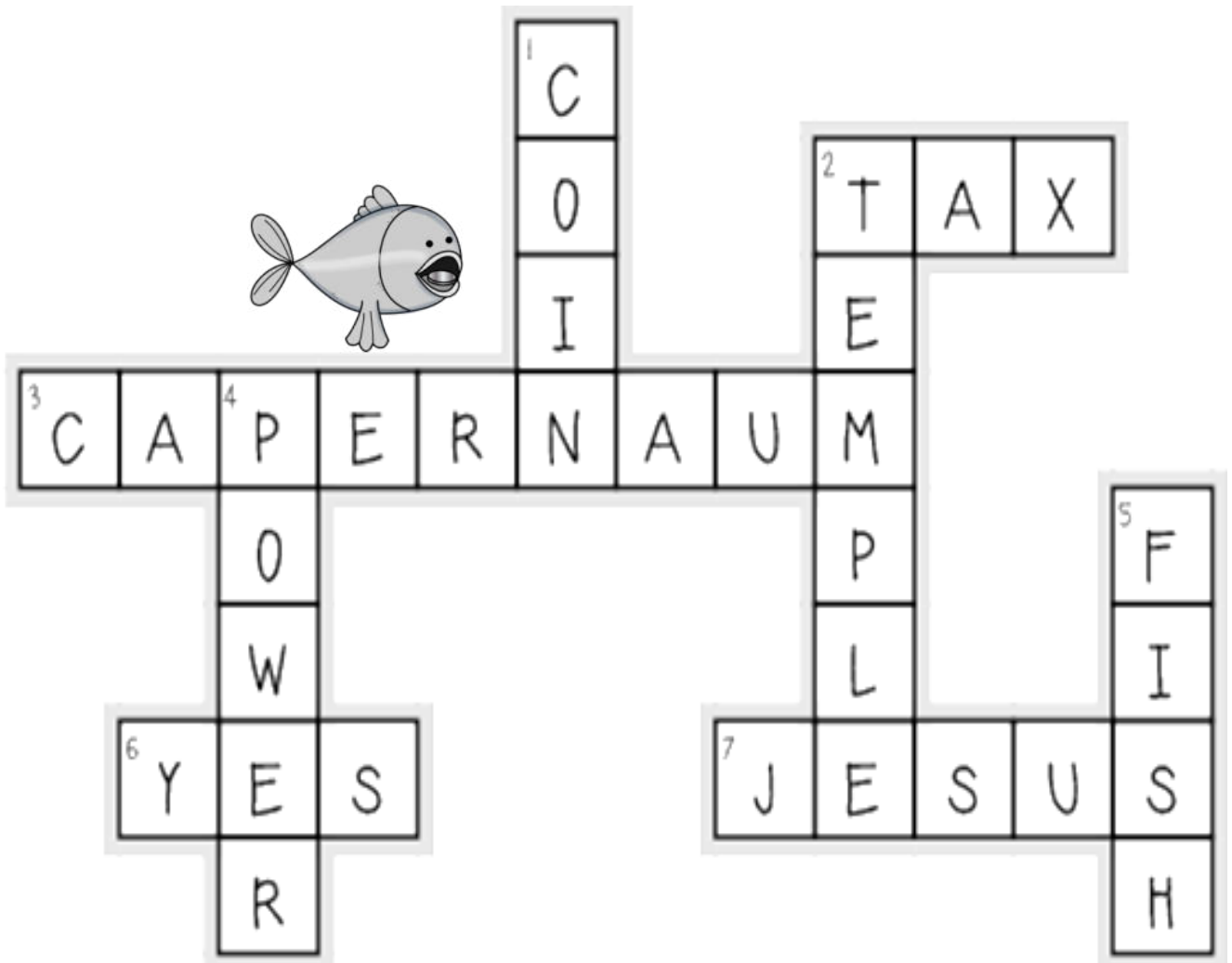


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Puzzle sheet

Help Peter get the coin out of the mouth of the fish. He needs to pay his tax!

Name:



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Word Scramble

Instruction: Unscramble the words below using clues from the word list

Name:

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SIHF

EEPLMT

HMTUO

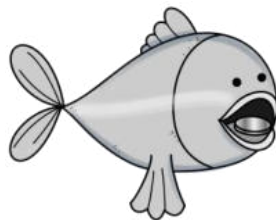
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JUSSE

Word list

Coin
Fish
Hook
Jesus



Peter
Temple
Taxes
Mouth