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KIDS ALIVE! POSTAL ACTIVITY COURSE

KAPAC 5 

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From your letters I know that you are enjoying the worksheets so here's number 5 for you to get going on!

After travelling to villages all over Galilee, teaching and healing, Jesus returned to Capernaum. By now many people had heard amazing things about Jesus. They crowded around him, even when he was indoors.



A paralysed man wanted to see Jesus. Four of his friends said they'd help him. They carried him to the house but because of the huge crowds they couldn't get anywhere near. Although they were disappointed, they didn't give up. Instead, they climbed the stairs to the flat roof and made a hole in it.

Everyone was surprised as they let their friend down on ropes, right in front of Jesus! But Jesus smiled reassuringly and then told the man his sins were forgiven.

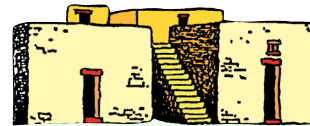
Then he told him to get up and walk. He did! The power of God had healed him. Everyone there was astonished, but the religious leaders were very angry.

Now read this story in Mark 2:1-12

Look at the passage in your Mark's Gospel. Write in blue the words that Jesus said to the man and write in red the words which show that some people were not pleased.

WHAT WAS IT LIKE IN JESUS' TIME?

Most houses in Capernaum were small with just one storey. The bricks were made of clay baked in the sun. The foundation was stone blocks or rock. Windows were small. Steps led to a flat roof. People used the roof-top a lot. They worked, slept and ate there in fine weather. Sometimes a small guest room was built on the roof. Often animals shared the house as well.



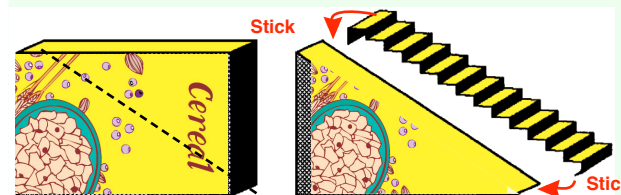
MODEL MAKING – HAVE A TRY!

Find a suitable cardboard box to make this model house. Cover it with glue and then paste white paper all over the box. Make a doorway and small window.

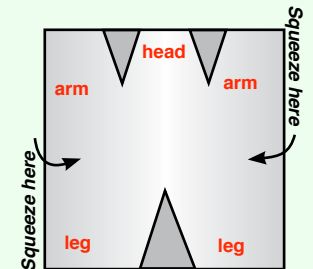
To make a stairway for the side of the house, follow the diagram 1)

To make the paralysed man and his four friends follow diagram 2)

1) Stairs – Use another box and cut along the diagonal dotted line and cover with paper. Fold stiff paper to form steps – make sure that it fits the gap.

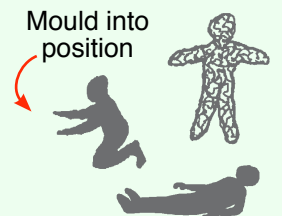


2) Tin Foil Figures – Cut away the shaded areas then crumple into body shape.



THE four friends wanted the man to meet Jesus. How can we help our friends to get to know about Jesus today? Use the KAPAC code to find out

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You could also make a colourful oblong mat then act out the story for your family or friends

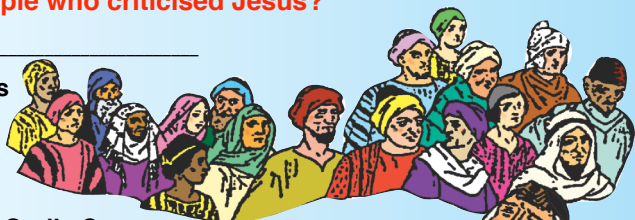
What kind of houses do people live in today? Unscramble the words to find some of them

VESCA _____
 SPLACEA _____
 STABO _____
 STOCGATE _____
 WALUBONGS _____

THUS _____
 SNIMANOS _____
 LOOGIS _____
 NESTT _____
 SLAFT _____

Who were the people who criticised Jesus?

They thought Jesus was pretending to work for God and so they would not accept that he was God's Son.



Speech bubble for writing an answer.

Read Mark Chapter 2:6 to answer these questions

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Complete the speech bubbles with things 'they thought to themselves'.

Some of us may be criticised for believing in Jesus. People might laugh at us, tease us or even leave us out of things.

Write about a time when you felt lonely because you believed in God. You may prefer to write a story about someone who felt like this. You can use a separate sheet of paper if it's easier.

Jesus must have often felt lonely – but he knew he was doing the right thing and this gave him the strength he needed. If we do what is right we will become more like Jesus. What's even better is that he will help if we ask him!

FORGIVENESS

This is the centre of Jesus' teaching. He knew that the man needed forgiveness – perhaps more than he needed healing. You wouldn't think anyone who couldn't walk could get up to much mischief would you? What do you think he might have done wrong?

Knowing we have done wrong makes us feel bad. Saying sorry and being forgiven makes us feel better!



It may help you to write in code the things that you feel bad about. Then ask God to forgive you. He'll be happy to do this if he knows you are really sorry. He'll even help you to do better in the future.

Quick Quiz

Read Mark 2:1-12 in your Good News Gospel

1. Where did this event take place?
2. What was Jesus doing in the house?
3. How did the paralysed man get to Jesus?
4. Why couldn't he go the normal way into the house?
5. Who said, 'This is blasphemy'?
6. What were the two ways Jesus proved he had God's power?
7. What did the people do when they saw the man walking?