

# HOLY SPIRIT

*Jesus said, "I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, who will stay with you forever.*

*The Helper, The Holy Spirit, will teach you everything and make you remember all that I have told you.*

The Father, the Son (Jesus) and the Holy Spirit are one God. Jesus knew that when he returned to heaven his followers would feel confused, so he promised them that God the Father would send us the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is our helper. We received the Holy Spirit at Baptism. The Holy Spirit works within us helping us to understand what Jesus taught.

Did you ever think 'actually I could do' something difficult or good?

*That's the Holy Spirit working in you!*

Did you ever suddenly realise something about God?

*That's the Holy Spirit working in you!*

Ask the Holy Spirit to help and guide you each day.

*Come, Holy Spirit, be with me, help me, guide me.*

*Help me to be more loving.*

## Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Make up a short prayer to the Holy Spirit for saying every day.

Write it onto card and if you like decorate it.

When you get home put it in a place where you will see it each day to remind you to say it.

You might like to use the prayer above.

Confirmation

Lesson 2

Name \_\_\_\_\_

# PENTECOST - THE BIRTHDAY OF THE CHURCH

Read about The Day of Pentecost.

After Jesus rose from the dead, he spent a little time with his friends. He told them he could not stay with them, but that they must not be afraid.

He promised he would send the Holy Spirit to be with them. But they were afraid. They did not understand...

*(From the Acts of the Apostles Chapters 1 and 2)*

When the day of Pentecost came, all the believers were gathered together in one room, when something extraordinary happened. They described it afterwards as a great rushing wind that swept down from heaven and filled the whole house with the noise it made. Then separate little tongues of fire settled for a moment on the head of everyone there.

But what they could see and hear was nothing compared to how they felt inside themselves. The warmth and life that Jesus always brought with him surged into them again and they knew that the Holy Spirit had come to live inside them. They were bursting with joy and began to sing aloud with praise and thanks to God.



# PENTECOST - WHAT HAPPENED THAT DAY?

Join the two halves of the sentences.  
The Story of Pentecost -

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| On the day of Pentecost                     | the Holy Spirit                           |
| They heard a                                | were amazed                               |
| The sound                                   | given us His Spirit like he promised      |
| They saw                                    | 'they have drunk too much wine!'          |
| The flames                                  | strong wind                               |
| They were filled with                       | in different languages                    |
| They began to speak                         | the disciples were all together           |
| People who heard them                       | filled the whole room                     |
| They were from many different countries but | what looked like tongues of fire          |
| Some people laughed and said                | heard them speaking in their own language |
| Peter said, 'We are not drunk, God has      | came to rest on each person's head        |

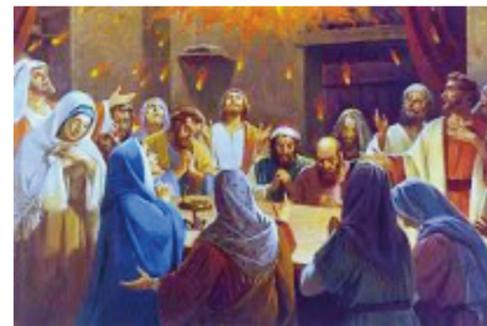
# BEFORE AND AFTER PENTECOST



Imagine what it was like for the disciples  
BEFORE Pentecost

Write some words to describe how they felt .....

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And AFTER Pentecost?

Write some words to describe how they felt then.....

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## Praying with your imagination...

Close your eyes and imagine you are in the room with the disciples on Pentecost day... Imagine the room . the people you are with... what are they doing?... how do you feel?...

Imagine talking to the people around you... everyone is scared and confused... and don't know what to do now that Jesus had gone .

What do you say to them? .....

What do they say to you? .....

Then this amazing thing happens... imagine the wind... and the flames...

How are you feeling now? .....

What do you say? What do you do? .....

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