

If You Had To, activity sheet

The Options

1. A basket
2. A bow and arrow
3. A well
4. A mannequin

“If You Had To” Questions

If you had to escape a plot to assassinate you, what would you use? How would you use it? (Answer: a basket; Acts 9:23–25.)

Now after many days were past, the Jews plotted to kill him. But their plot became known to Saul. And they watched the gates day and night, to kill him. Then the disciples took him by night and let him down through the wall in a large basket.

If you had to send a secret message to your best friend, what would you use? How would you use it? (Answer: a bow and arrow; I Samuel 20:20–22.)

“Then I will shoot three arrows to the side, as though I shot at a target; and there I will send a lad, saying, ‘Go, find the arrows.’ If I expressly say to the lad, ‘Look, the arrows are on this side of you; get them and come’—then, as the LORD lives, there is safety for you and no harm. But if I say thus to the young man, ‘Look, the arrows are beyond you’—go your way, for the LORD has sent you away.”

If you had to hide a couple of good spies, what would you use? How would you use it? (Answer: a well; II Samuel 17:17–21a.)

Now Jonathan and Ahimaaz stayed at En Rogel, for they dared not be seen coming into the city; so a female servant would come and tell them, and they would go and tell King David. Nevertheless a lad saw them, and told Absalom. But both of them went away quickly and came to a man’s house in Bahurim, who had a well in his court; and they went down into it. Then the woman took and spread a covering over the well’s mouth, and spread ground grain on it; and the thing was not known. And when Absalom’s servants came to the woman at the house, they said, “Where are Ahimaaz and Jonathan?” So the woman said to them, “They have gone over the water brook.” And when they had searched and could not find them, they returned to Jerusalem. Now it came to pass, after they had departed, that they came up out of the well and went and told King David...

If you had to distract the bad guys from chasing the good guy, what would you use? How would you use it? (Answer: a mannequin; I Samuel 19:12–13.)

So Michal let David down through a window. And he went and fled and escaped. And Michal took an image and laid it in the bed, put a cover of goats’ hair for his head, and covered it with clothes.

If you had to save a baby, what would you use? How would you use it? (Answer: a basket; Exodus 2:3.)

But when she could no longer hide him, she took an ark of bulrushes for him, daubed it with asphalt and pitch, put the child in it, and laid it in the reeds by the river’s bank.