



You will need...

- a large screen with the story so far set up already- land, sea, sky, trees, plants
- Sun
- Moon
- Stars - You can give the stars to children to stick onto the sky, but if that sounds like a recipe for chaos, get a couple of adult helpers to do it – you want to end up with LOTS of stars in place, and it may take too long, and lose the children’s interest, if they have to wait for you to do them all yourself.

The story

Story	Actions
<p>This term we’re hearing all about how God made everything, just by speaking.</p>	
<p>The very beginning of the Bible tells us that once upon a time the world didn’t exist. But then God spoke, and he made day and night, sky, land and sea, lakes and rivers and ponds, just by speaking.</p>	<p>Build up picture, or point out the various bits on existing picture.</p>
<p>Then he made plants and trees and all kinds of yummy fruit and vegetables for us to eat, just by speaking.</p>	
<p>There were lots of beautiful flowers and plants and trees growing on the ground. But there was nothing in the sky. And you couldn’t tell the difference between day and night. You wouldn’t know when it was bedtime, and when it was time to wake up.</p>	
<p>So God said “Let’s have some lights in the sky, so that we can tell the difference between day and night” He made one light to light up the daytime. He called the day-time light ‘the sun’. Now we know when it’s day time when the sun comes up.</p>	<p>Add Sun to picture</p> <p>Stretch like you’re waking up. You could get the children to stretch.</p>



<p>And then God made one light to light up the night. He called the night-time light 'the moon'. Now we know when it's bedtime, when we can see the moon.</p>	<p>Add Moon to picture</p> <p>Stretch and yawn, like its bedtime. You could get the children to do the same.</p>
<p>God also made the stars. There were lots and lots and lots and lots of stars.</p>	<p>Give out stars and invite volunteers to come and stick them onto the sky</p>
<p>Have you ever looked up at the sky at night-time and tried to count the stars? There are lots more stars than we've got on our picture here. There are so many stars that no one can count them all. But God knows exactly how many there are, because he made every single one.</p>	<p>Try to count the stars on the picture, but lose count!</p>
<p>God looked at everything he had made and he was very pleased. God made everything, just by speaking. Next week we will find out what God made next.</p>	
	<p>Sing - Who made the twinkling stars or Twinkle, twinkle, little star</p>



Top Tips

- Craft idea: Stick stars onto black background
- Everything needs to be said with plenty of intonation, life, interest and volume to keep toddlers interested. It will sound odd!