



Hello!

We're so excited that you are joining in at home with learning about our great God.

Last week we saw how the perfect world that God had made was spoiled when the first people listened to the lies of God's enemy, Satan, and disobeyed him. Today we're learning about how sin spread to affect everything in creation.

WHERE WE'RE GOING

Big idea – Cain, jealous of his brother, murders Abel and then lies to God about it because he refuses to repent.

Aim: to understand that sin affects our emotions, thoughts, words and actions. We should repent (unlike Cain) - God is merciful.

HOW WE'RE GETTING THERE

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| 1. Welcome & Recap | 5. Game |
| 2. Introductory Idea | 6. Discuss & Apply |
| 3. Bridge Questions | 7. Prayer |
| 4. Teaching Time | 8. Activity Ideas |

Game

Set up a domino run with dominoes or Jenga bricks (Little Eaton School children could use the dominoes from their maths packs). How long can you make your run before it falls? What happens when one of the dominoes falls? The effect spreads. This is what happened with sin - it spread to affect every part of our lives and world.

Prayer

Dear Father God, we are sorry for our sins—for the wrong things we have thought and said and done. We want to live the right way but we can't do this by ourselves. Please help us. Amen

Discuss & Apply

Chat together about the Bible story.

Did you spot it?

- Who did all those wrong things?
- How was he punished?
- How was he protected?

Think spot

- For Cain, one wrong thing led to another. What does this teach us about how sin affects us?
- Look at what God does for Cain in v15. What does this teach us about God?
- Think of a time when you had unkind thoughts that turned into sinful actions or words. What could you have done to try and prevent that happening?

Activity Ideas

Try it | Have a go at this [Skittles experiment](#) to see the spreading effect. How did sin spread from Adam & Eve's first act of disobeying God? (NB. This experiment makes pretty patterns, but sin isn't pretty, it's ugly!)

Doodle it | Doodle a picture showing how sin in our hearts affects everything about us - our thoughts, feelings, words and actions. You could include [Proverbs 4.23](#).

Play it | Play a game with others in your family - choose whichever game you like. Each time another player scores points, try to say "Well done" instead of feeling jealous and cross.