



The Ice Age

The Bible explains the ice age.

Lesson Focus

The Bible gives us information that helps us narrow down when the ice age occurred and what caused it. It happened after the worldwide flood of Noah's day. In fact, that catastrophic flood created the perfect weather conditions for the ice age to occur about 4,000 years ago.

Key Passage

Genesis 7:11-12

Memory Verse

John 10:9 I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture.

Ice Age Snowflake

Materials

- Snowflake pattern (following pages)
- Ice Age signs printed on card stock (following pages)
- Liquid glue
- Cotton swabs
- Wax paper
- Scissors
- Yarn/ribbon
- Markers
- Optional: White or silver glitter

Instructions

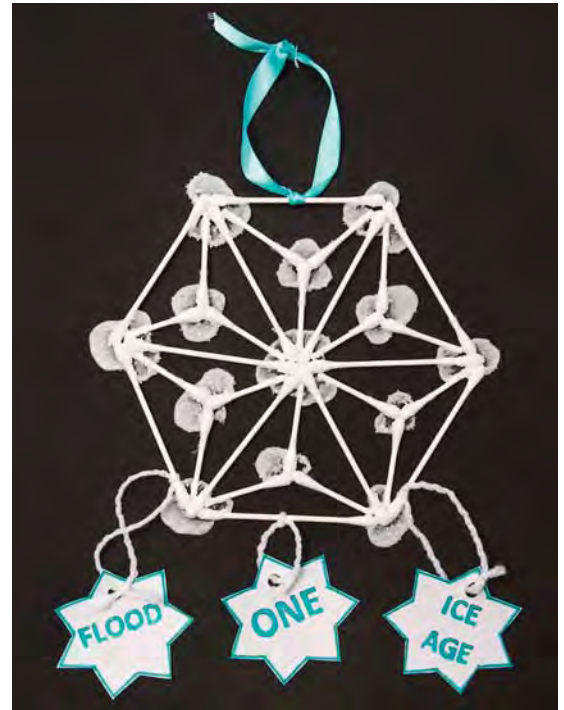
NOTE: This craft may take several hours to dry. We suggest you have the students glue the snowflakes together and leave them to dry. Then use them as a review the next week while students add the signs and ribbon.

Print one snowflake pattern for each student. Pass out one sheet of wax paper, (about 12") to each student to lay over the pattern so they can see the lines under the wax paper. Have students place cotton swabs along the lines of the pattern. Some swabs will need to be cut in half. You may want students to experiment with their own designs.

When all the swabs are in place, have students squeeze glue over each joint where two or more swabs come together. Use plenty of glue. Shake on glitter. Allow the snowflakes to dry before finishing the craft. (See note above.)

After snowflakes are dry, print one set of Ice Age signs on card stock for each student. Have the students color, cut, and hole punch each sign and attach them to the bottom of the snowflake with yarn. Then tie a loop of ribbon or yarn at the top for a hanger.

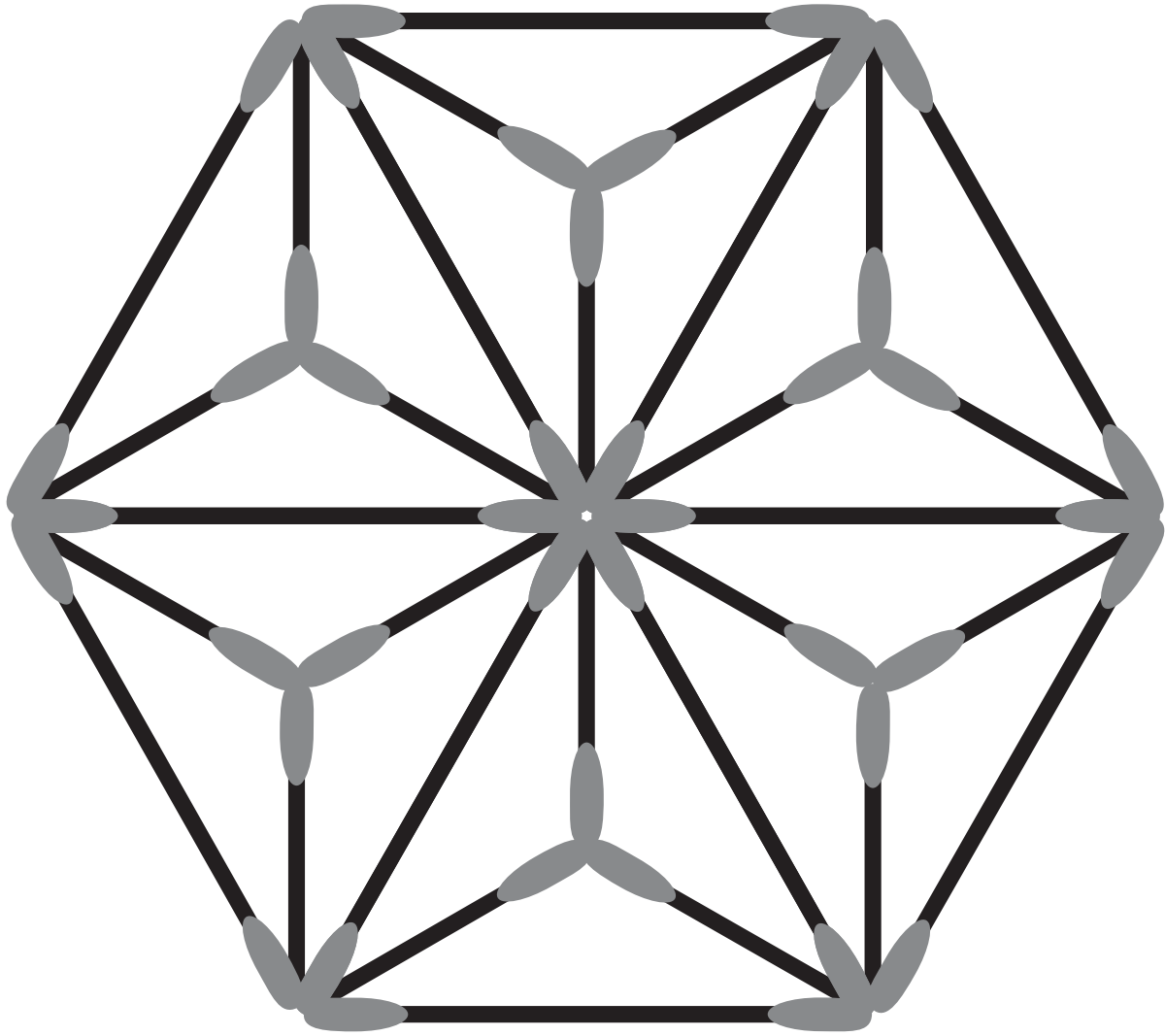
(Tip: Tie the yarn onto the snowflake first, then tie the ends to each sign to make the signs hang straight.)

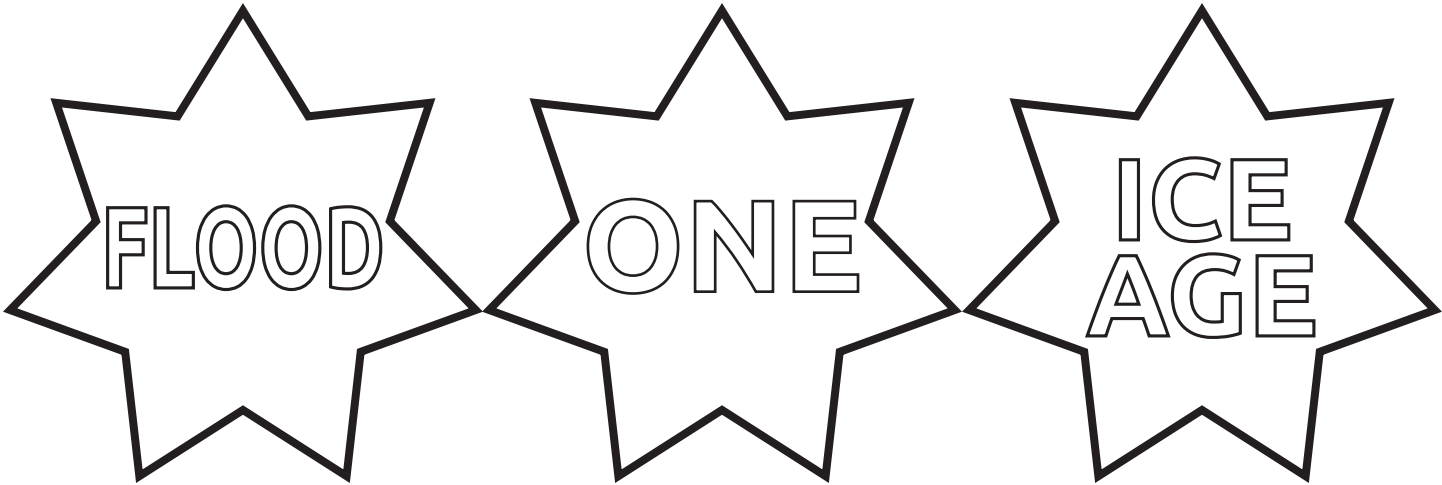


Suggested Discussion

It is important to look at the Bible even when we talk about something like the Ice Age. When we keep God's Word in mind, we can figure out that the great Ice Age happened after the worldwide Flood just about 4,000 years ago. Because of the changes made by the Flood—the warm water, volcanoes, and ashes blocking the sun—the weather was perfect for lots of snowflakes!

That kind of extreme weather has not happened again because a worldwide Flood has not happened again. Since God promised never to flood the earth again, we know that there will never be another ice age either. Like the signs on our snowflakes say, there was only one worldwide Flood and only one Ice Age.





Print one set of three for each student.

Woolly Mammoth Puppet

Materials

- Puppet pieces (eyes, trunk, ears, and sign; following pages)
- Small brown paper bags
- Optional: 1-inch plastic wiggle eyes
- Optional: brown felt or construction paper
- White pipe cleaners/chenille sticks (about 4 inches long)
- Brown or tan yarn pieces (2–3 inches long)
- Cotton balls
- Glue
- Scissors
- Crayons



Instructions

Print and cut out one set of puppet pieces (eyes, ears, trunk, and sign) for each student or have them do the cutting if appropriate.

Have students color the puppet pieces. (You may want to use felt or construction paper for trunk and ears and plastic wiggle eyes instead.)

Lay the paper bags flat with the flap face up. Students will glue each of the puppet pieces to the flap.

Give each student two 4-inch white pipe cleaners. Have them glue the pipe cleaners on each side of the trunk (note: pipe cleaners take a lot of glue). Then curve them up and out to look like tusks.

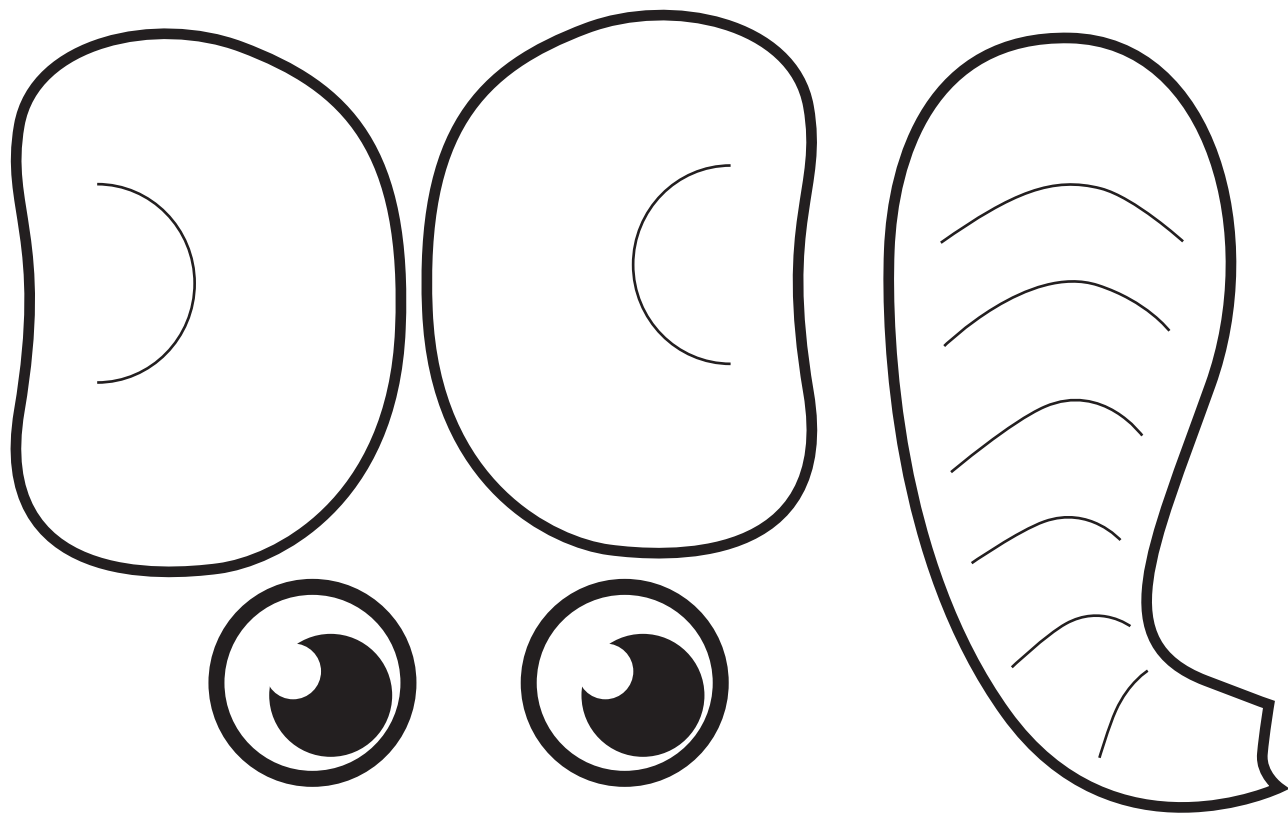
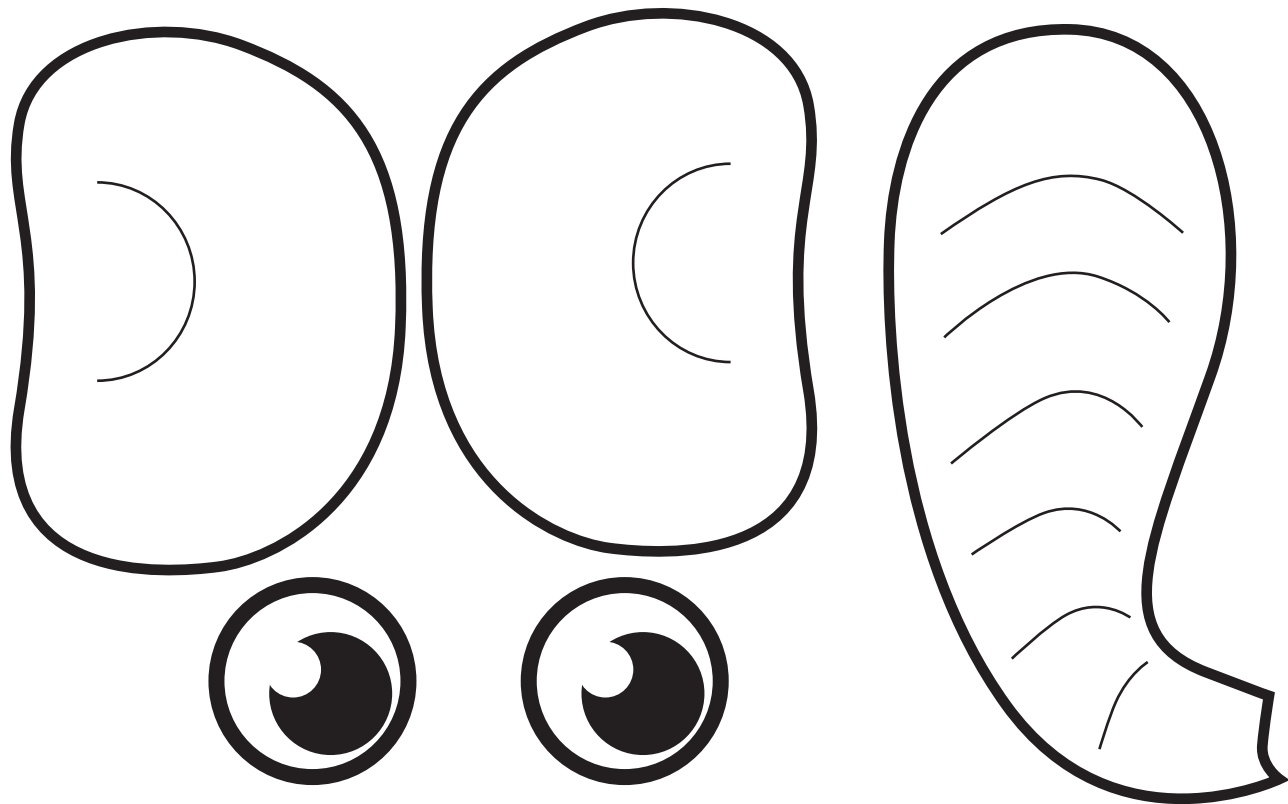
Next, give students several pieces of brown yarn. Have them glue the yarn to the top of the bag for a tuft of hair.

Have students color the sign then glue it to the middle of the bag. Glue cotton balls around the bottom of the bag for snow. Allow glue to dry before using the puppets.

Suggested Discussion

The woolly mammoth was like a huge, furry elephant. Mammoths and several other interesting animals, such as the saber-toothed tiger and Glyptodon, lived during the ice age. Scientists have found fossils of the bones from these animals, so we know they were real.

When we read about Noah's flood in the Bible, we find that the flood made things just right for an ice age to happen. So since there was only one flood, there was only one ice age—and it happened about 4,000 years ago.



Print and cut out one set of pieces for each student.

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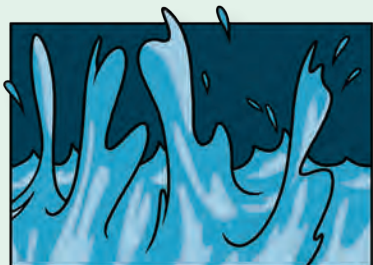
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Genesis 7:11-12

One Flood Made One Ice Age

Follow the path through the flood to the ice age.



Name

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Learn the Word

Can you say the memory verse backwards?

John 10:9

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Genesis 7:11

What about the ice age?

Read the sentences and put the answers into the crossword puzzle.

SUPERVOLCANOES,
GLACIERS, ICE AGE, EARTH,
SUN, MAMMOTH, ONE, WARM

- The _____ opened and hot magma (melted rocks) and water burst out.
- The oceans were _____ from the hot magma.
- The shifting of the earth after the flood caused _____ to erupt.
- The ash from the supervolcanoes blocked the _____ and made the earth cold.
- It snowed for many years. Thick sheets of ice formed. They are called _____.
- The woolly _____ was a huge animal that lived during the ice age.
- The Bible helps us understand the _____.
- There was only _____ Ice Age.

**One flood and
one ice age about
4,000 years ago.**

ANSWERS: 1) earth, 2) warm, 3) supervolcanoes, 4) sun, 5) glaciers, 6) mammoth, 7) Ice Age, 8) one

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Learn the Word

Hold the Memory Verse in front of a mirror so you can read the verse the correct way!



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Review Questions

K-1st Review Questions

1. What catastrophe did God bring on the earth to punish sin? *The worldwide flood.*
2. Where did all the water come from? *From below and from above. Fountains of the deep and rain.*
3. When the fountains of the deep burst forth, the land moved and shifted and caused volcanoes. What did the volcanoes do? *Erupted, exploded.*
4. Where did the ashes from the volcanoes go? *Into the sky.*
5. When the ashes from the volcanoes went into the sky, what did the ashes block? *The sunshine.*
6. When the sunshine was blocked, did it feel warmer or colder? *Colder.*
7. When it felt colder, what started to fall from the clouds? *Snow.*
8. What were we talking about today? The time when a lot of the earth was covered by snow and ice? *The ice age.*
9. Which ice age animal is your favorite? *Woolly mammoth, saber-toothed tiger, or Glyptodon.*
10. When did the one ice age happen? *After the flood.*
11. How many worldwide floods did God send? *One.*
12. How many ice ages were there? *One.*
13. Can you see God? *No. I cannot see God, but he always sees me.*
14. Does God know all things? *Yes. Nothing can be hidden from God.*
15. Who can say the memory verse? *Allow several students to say or sing the verse.*

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