

Parables Extension Worksheet:

The Sower and The Two Builders

1. Re-tell the parable of the sower in strip cartoon form, making sure you show clearly the different types of soil and what happens to the seed that is sown in them.
2. The parable of the sower shows 4 different ways in which people may respond to the message of Jesus. Explain in your own words what these ways are.
3. Write your own parable about 4 imaginary people today and the way they choose to react to the challenge to follow Jesus. Base your characters on the ideas in the parable of the sower.
4. Write an imaginary conversation between the two builders in Jesus' parable. Show how each of them had a different attitude towards building his house.
5. Draw a picture to illustrate the parable of the two builders, showing their houses before and after the floods. You may need to find out what a peasant house in the Palestine of Jesus' day would look like.
6. Christians believe that prayer is an important way of listening to God and finding out what he wants us to do. Look at the 'Do What – Prayer' section of the RE:Quest website to find out more.
7. Find out about the lives of some famous Christians who have listened to the words of Jesus and obeyed them in their lives. Ask your teacher for some names to help you make a start.