Sparklers @ Home Week 8.

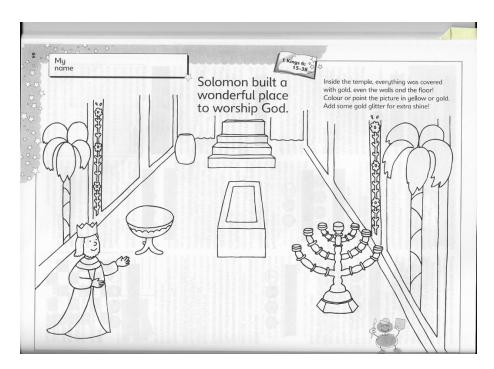
King Solomon's Temple Part 3 - Metal 1 Kings 6: 15-38

Hi Sparklers, I hope you enjoyed making your houses and pebble pets last week. This week is our last week looking at King Solomon and his temple. But we have a special week next week looking at one more material - fabric

This week at Sparklers @ Home we are going to learn about Metal. We have lots to do this week with 2 crafts !!! an activity sheet, a game and a story.

Activity Sheet.

First of all, we are going to colour in our activity sheet. Why not use gold glitter to make the metal objects shine? You will find a large version at the back of this pack.

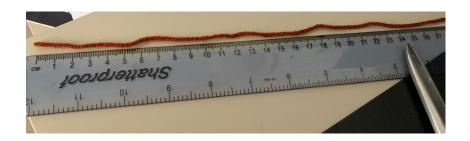


Craft 1 – Beaded bracelet.

You will need:

Foil Length of Wool

1. Cut a length of wool I found about 24 cm was the right length for a child's wrist.



2. Get 10 rectangles of foil $5 \times 10 \text{ cm}$



3. Wrap the foil around the strand of wool and then scrunch it up so that it looks like a bead



4. Make several of these I found about 10 needed to fill the bracelet



5. When full put it around your wrist and tie the end of the wool in a bow.



<u>Craft 2 – Foil Rubbings</u>

You will need:

Foil

Blu tack

Some objects with rough or patterned surfaces e.g. coins.

1. Put some objects on the table.



1. Blu-tack down the corners of the foil so it can't move



2. Cover the objects with it's making sure its tight.



3. Rub the foil over the objects gently with you finger until the imprint of the object below shows.



Story:

Are you wearing your crown from the other week? Well let's now hear our story.

(If grown-ups want to be really creative they can dress up in fancy dress as King Solomon for telling the story).

Hello again! My name is King Solomon. Do you remember me? God told me to build a beautiful temple, a place where people could pray to him and sing. God said that we should make this temple very special. My friend King Hiram sent us the best wood to make the doors, floors and roof beams. Then, some of my men cut bricks from huge pieces of stone and these were used to make the strong walls. Finally, I asked some men who knew how to make beautiful things out of gold to come and decorate the temple. Look at my crown, this is made of gold. Look how it shines when the light catches it. And look at this beautiful gold chain. Are any of you wearing something gold? I wanted Gods temple to be the most beautiful building in the whole world, so we used plenty of gold. God deserves the very best.

The carpenters made beautiful pictures of angels, flowers and palm trees out of wood. We covered these pictures in gold. We covered the doors and walls and even floors in gold. When people walk across the floor it shines like a mirror. It's amazing.

It was hard work building such a beautiful temple. Lots of people had to help and we worked for seven whole years until it was finished! Can you count up to seven? One, two,

three, four, five, six, seven years and then it was finished. I stood and smiled and smiled. The sun was shining down on God's wonderful temple. It glittered and glistened. Everyone said "This is the most beautiful temple in the whole world."

"Yes," I said. "We have used wood and stone and metal to build a beautiful temple. We built it for God, to show him how much we love him."

Play idea:

Metal Detectors game:

Put a mix of objects in a large box some made of metal some made of other items. Then pull one out at a time from the box and see if the children can call out when it's made of metal.

Prayer:

Ask them what their favourite metal item is.

Thank you, God for Thank you for providing metal for us so we can make beautiful things. Amen.

