

A.M.O.K. Children's Teaching Idea

# IN THE LION'S DEN

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What you need to do this project:

A room that can be almost totally dark-  
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Freezer paper or other large roll paper

Pencils

Brushes

Black markers

Tempera paints or crayons

Glow-in-the-dark paint

Black light (optional)

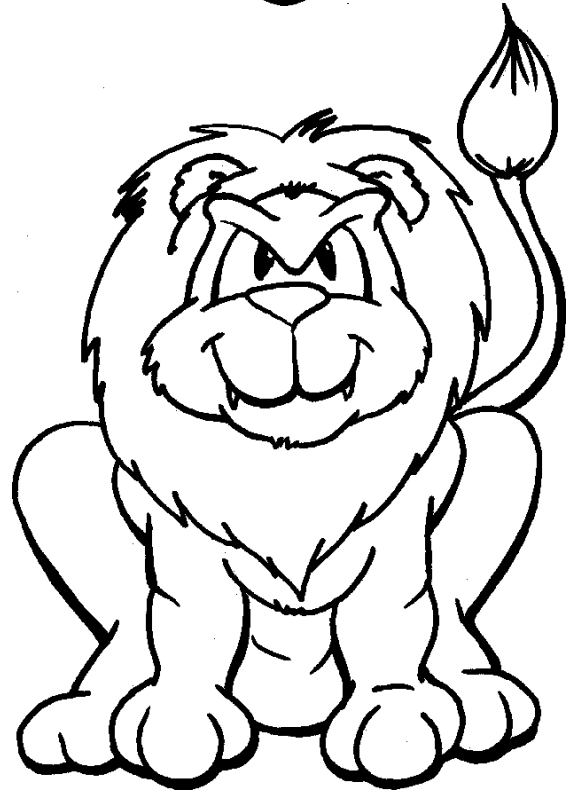
Tape

This is a great way to create an environment for teaching children the story of Daniel in the Lion's Den. Get a roll of butcher paper and allow each kid to draw a life-size hungry lion (or make up a few patterns ahead of time, see the accompanying drawings for details.) Then provide them with tempera paint or crayons and allow them to paint the lion and cut it out. Have them paint the lion's eyes with glow in the dark paint. Have your group help the children make their lions or you can allow your group to make the lions ahead of time if time is of the essence

in the telling of the story) Then take the lions and post them all around the room. (Cover any windows with black plastic to make it nice and dark.) Leave the lights on in the room until you are just about ready to tell the story then turn the lights out and tell the story by the light of a flashlight or a candle. For an even better effect us a black light in the room. This will enhance the glowing of the eyes. Prepare your group to tell the story ahead of time. The surrounding darkness and glowing eyes should provide a memorable visual experience. For an even more interesting approach, paint an angel in glow in the dark paint and post it on one of the walls during the story when the angel closes the lion's mouths.

See page 2 for drawing patterns you can use or copy onto a transparency and trace onto your freezer paper with the help of an overhead projector,





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