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## A Day at the Beach

### Close-up look

There's nothing quite like a day at the beach. It's great fun to play in the water, hunt for seashells and build sand castles.

Have you ever looked closely at a handful of beach sand, or even sand from a sandbox? At first glance, all sand may look the same. But if you examined a few individual grains, you might be surprised to see a variety of colors, shapes and sizes. Colorful, jewel-like grains of sand often come from tiny bits of sea glass, broken glass polished smooth after years of tumbling around in the surf. Pink-colored sand gets its color from coral and other animals. Some sand contains many pieces of broken shells.

It takes a lot of sand to cover a beach. Even a bucket of sand would contain more grains than you could easily count.

God once promised Abraham that He would give him more children than the sands of the sea or the stars in the sky. God said there would be more kids in Abraham's family than anyone could count. God also said Abraham's family would one day bless the whole world.



That might have been hard to believe, especially since Abraham and his wife, Sarah, were very old and had no children. But Abraham trusted God to keep His promise. And he wasn't disappointed. God gave Abraham a son named Isaac. Isaac's descendants became the great nation of Israel.

Jesus was one of Isaac's descendants, too. When we accept Jesus as our Savior, we become part of that large family God promised Abraham. God always keeps His promises!

"For no matter how many promises God has made, they are 'Yes' in Christ," (2 Corinthians 1:20, NIV).

### JUST FOR laughs

**Why is it best to swim in salt water?**

Because pepper water would make you sneeze.

**What's a shark's favorite sandwich?**

Peanut butter and jellyfish.



### Try this!

Can you say these tongue twisters 10 times quickly? It's trickier than you think!

**She sells seashells by the seashore.**

**High tide.**

**Toy boat.**

### Did you know?

The largest animal in the world feeds on some of the smallest creatures. The blue whale, which has a head bigger than your car, dines on inch-long animals called krill. A hungry whale can gulp down four tons of krill every day.

The tallest wave ever seen by sailors on the open sea was calculated to be about 112 feet high. It was spotted in the Pacific Ocean in 1933 by members of the U.S. Navy.

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