



## Open the Book Competition – a guide for children

We, at Open the Book, are passionate about Bible stories: from Noah to Daniel to Jesus. And because we love stories, we would love you to be a great storyteller too!

Many of you will have taken part in an Open the Book story, so we thought you might like to have a go at writing your own version of a favourite Bible story.

You might want to write a short story or create a poem. It's entirely up to you. If you are in Key Stage 1 you could draw a picture of a Bible story instead of writing if you prefer.

If you don't know how to get hold of a copy of the Bible then ask your parents or guardians. There may be one in your school library or on the internet. We suggest you look for the Good News version as it is easy to read.

Your teachers and OtB Storytellers will pick two of the best stories or pictures from your school to send to us at Bible Society before 24 July 2019. All the shortlisted entries from different schools will then be judged by Bible Society. The final winners will be then be chosen and the winner of the best story (or picture representing a Bible story) will receive their very own iPad; as well as one for your school.

The final winning entries will also be illustrated by the *Beano's* professional writer and illustrator, Kev F Sutherland. This picture will be framed so you can put it on your wall – how amazing will that be?

Your submission should be no more than 500 words. If it is a cartoon it can include as many pictures as you would like. The story must come from the Bible and you must let your teacher know which Bible story you have used.

Have fun!