

WHO
MADE
THE
WORLD?



When we go shopping, we see all kinds of things from pens and pencils, to tables and chairs and coats and shoes. There is one thing we know about everything on sale: someone made all these things.

When we are at the seaside or in the countryside, we also see many things. We see birds and animals, flowers and trees, sea and sky, sandy beaches and rocky cliffs. Who made all these wonderful things? We know that they did not make themselves.

The Bible tells us the answer on

its very first pages. God made the earth, the sun, moon and stars. He also made the fish in the sea, the birds that fly about, the farm animals and the wild animals. Then God made the very first man and woman who were called Adam and Eve.

When we make something, we collect together the things we will need. This could be paper, cardboard, glue, paints and brushes. There is something else that we will need: instructions that tell us what to do.

When God created (made) the world, He did not need anyone to tell Him how to do it, and He did not use things that were already there to make it with. God made everything that was needed, by His own power. He knew how to make everything, by His own wisdom.

When we look around us at the world that God has made, we know that God is much greater than we are. The Bible tells us that God made all these things in six days.

On the first day God made the

light in the daytime for us to be busy with work or play. At night He made darkness for us to rest.

On the second day, the Bible tells us that God made the firmament. We would call this the atmosphere, the space around the earth containing the air we breathe and the sky we see when we look up.

At this time, the earth was covered with water, but on the third day God made the dry land appear. The water formed the seas and the oceans, and on the dry land God made the plants.

This was the time that God made the grass, the flowers and the trees.

God made the sun, the moon and the stars, on the fourth day. The sun gives us light and warmth in the daytime. At night we see the moon and many beautiful stars.

The world was now ready for all kinds of animals. On the fifth day God made the fish that live in the sea, and the birds that fly in the sky. Then on the sixth day He made all the animals that live on the land. After this, God made

the first man, to look after the world that He had made. Man was made in a special way and he is different from the animals. He could think and he could speak and he could know and love the God who made him.

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*In the beginning, God created the
heavens and the earth.*

Genesis chapter 1 verse 1 (NKJV)

*God, who made the earth,
The air, the sky, the sea.
Who gave the light its birth,
He cares for me*

(Sarah Betts Rhodes)

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