
Lesson 7

PART 1 (APPROX 1 HOUR):

Midwives

PART 2 (APPROX 1/2 HOUR):

Midwives in Egypt obey God Exodus 1:15–21

 **Prepare lesson**

Part 1. Midwives

Print resources

- RESOURCE 7.1 – Five photos**
Print one copy (or remove these pages from this book).
- RESOURCE 7.2.1 – Sentences in groups**
Print one copy and cut up.
- RESOURCE 7.2.2 – Sentences jumbled**
Print enough copies to display so all students can see them.

Additional equipment

- Child's baby doll
- Mask or gloves to represent midwife
- Nightgown to represent mother

Part 2. Midwives in Egypt obey God

Read scripture

- Exodus 1:15–21 in Nlrv Bible
(or another easy-to-read translation)

Print resources (on the next page)

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- Heart language Bible text**
Print one text per student in relevant languages from bible.com or biblegateway.com
- RESOURCE 7.3 – Large sketches**
Print one set of A4 sketches to display.
- RESOURCE 7.4 – Large sentences**
Print one set of A4 sentences to display.
- RESOURCE 7.5 – Small sketches**
Print one copy per pair and cut up.
- RESOURCE 7.6 – Small sentence strips**
Print one copy per pair and cut up.
- RESOURCE 7.7 – Gap-fill worksheet**
Print one copy per student.

Select Variations to activities

(see pages 4–5)

Part 1. Midwives

Activate knowledge

Play a game of hangman for the word *midwife*.

Repeat for the following words: *professional, pregnancy, childbirth*.

Write the following on the board: *A midwife is a health professional who helps women during pregnancy, during childbirth and after childbirth.*

Invite volunteers to read this sentence aloud, focusing on pronunciation.

Focus on language

Activity 1: Describing photos

Display photo 1 from **RESOURCE 7.1 – Five photos**.

Ask ‘What can you see?’

Write responses on the board.

Invite students to create simple sentences about what they can see in the photo.

Write the sentences on the board, correcting errors as you go.

Repeat for the remaining four photos. (Alternatively, if you have enough helpers, divide students into five groups and rotate the photos through each group.)

Activity 2: Which photo?

Display **RESOURCE 7.1 – Five photos** at the front of the room.

Say ‘The mother’s hand is on her stomach.’

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Ask 'Which photo?'

Invite students to tell you the number of the photo you are describing.

Repeat for the following sentences:

- The baby is naked.
- The midwife is holding the woman's hand.
- The midwife is lifting the baby up.
- The doctor is touching the mother's shoulder.
- The mother is smiling.
- The mother is looking at her baby.
- The mother is holding the baby.
- The midwife is passing the baby to its mother.
- The midwife is taking the mother's blood pressure.
- The mother is groaning.
- The baby is a boy.

Activity 3: Miming sentences

Invite two volunteers to act as a midwife/doctor and a mother.

Display **RESOURCE 7.2.2 – Sentences jumbled** so that all students can see a copy.

Give the volunteers one set of sentences from **RESOURCE 7.2.1 – Sentences in groups**.

Invite volunteers to mime the scene in front of the class using the additional equipment brought from home (baby doll, mask/gloves, nightgown).

Invite students to guess each sentence that is being mimed.

Repeat with different volunteers for each of the remaining four scenes.

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RESOURCE 7.2.1 – Sentences in groups

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Extension activity: Sharing stories

Invite volunteers to share their experiences about midwives and childbirth.

Part 2 – Midwives in Egypt obey God

Exodus 1:15–21

Read for gist

Hold up a hard copy of the Bible.

Say ‘In the Bible story, the midwives respect and obey God.’

Distribute copies of Exodus 1:15–21 in your students’ heart languages and allow time for students to read silently for context, then ask them to put the text away for the rest of the lesson.

Read for detail

Display [RESOURCE 7.3 – Large sketches](#) in order.

Read the sentences below slowly, pointing to the corresponding sketches as you read.

Sentences:

1. There were two midwives in Egypt.
2. The king of Egypt said, ‘Kill the boys.
Let the girls live.’
3. The midwives respected God and disobeyed the king.
4. They let the boys live.
5. They lied to the king.
6. God was kind to the midwives.
7. Many Israelites were born.

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**RESOURCE 7.4 –
Large sentences**

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**RESOURCE 7.5 –
Small sketches**

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**RESOURCE 7.6 –
Small sentence strips**

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**RESOURCE 7.7 –
Gap-fill worksheet**

Print one copy per
student.

Re-read the sentences, placing the correct sentence from **RESOURCE 7.4 – Large sentences** near each sketch as you go.

Read the sentences again and invite students to point to the corresponding sketches as you read.

Reinforce the language

Divide students into pairs.

Distribute **RESOURCE 7.5 – Small sketches** to pairs.

Invite pairs to sequence the sketches in the correct order.

Distribute **RESOURCE 7.6 – Small sentence strips** to pairs.

Invite pairs to match the sentence strips to the corresponding sketches. (More advanced students can sequence the sentence strips without looking at the sketches.)

Invite students to retell the story to their partners.

Invite confident students to retell the story to the whole class using only the sketches.

Reinforce the text using some of the six **Variations to activities** on pages 4–5.

Distribute **RESOURCE 7.7 – Gap-fill worksheet** to each student.

Encourage students to work together to complete the worksheet.

Check answers together by reading slowly through the worksheet and writing the missing words on the board.

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The midwife is taking the mother's blood pressure.

The mother is groaning.
The midwife is holding the woman's hand.

The midwife is lifting the baby up.
The mother is looking at her baby.

The midwife is passing the baby to its mother.
The mother is smiling.

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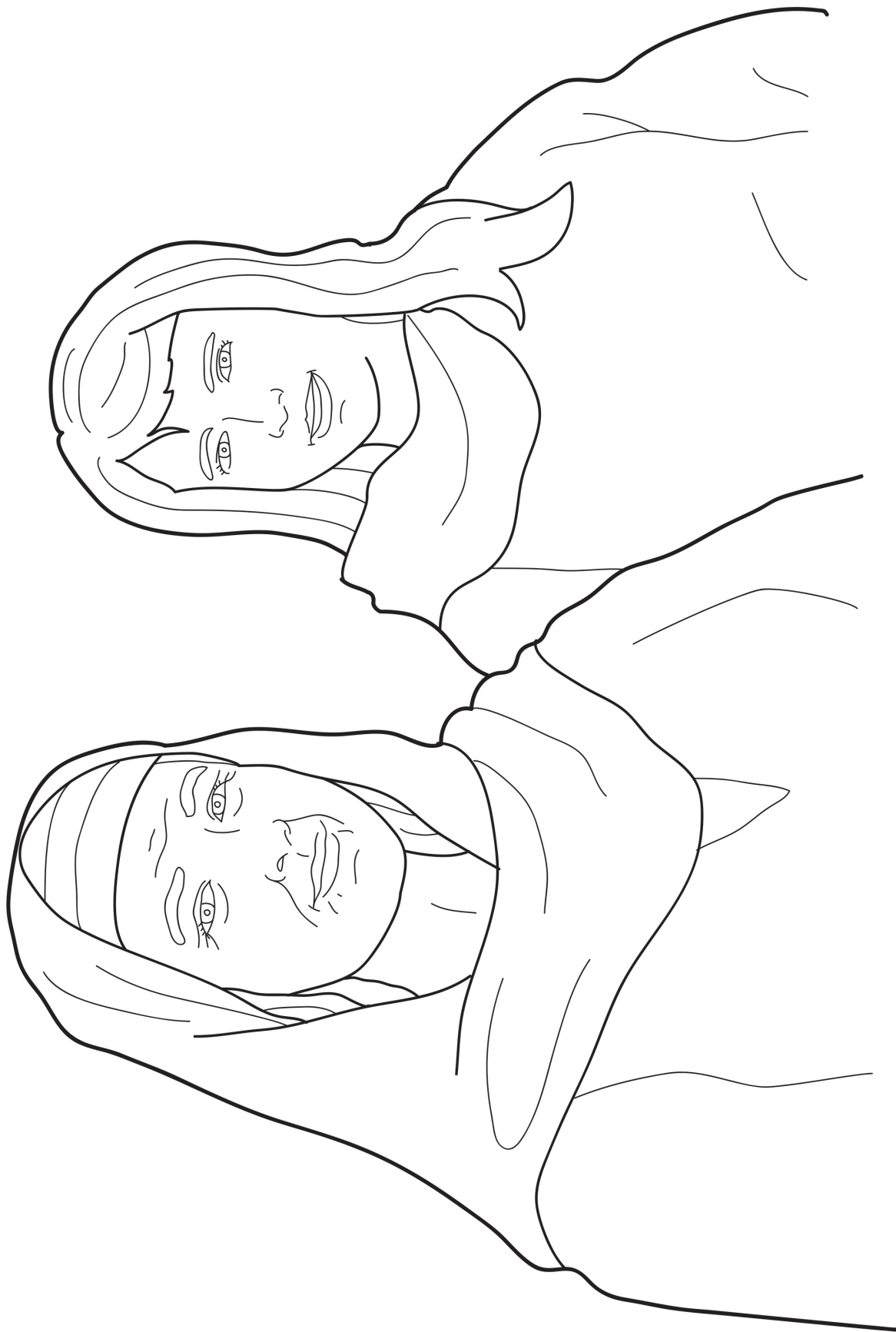
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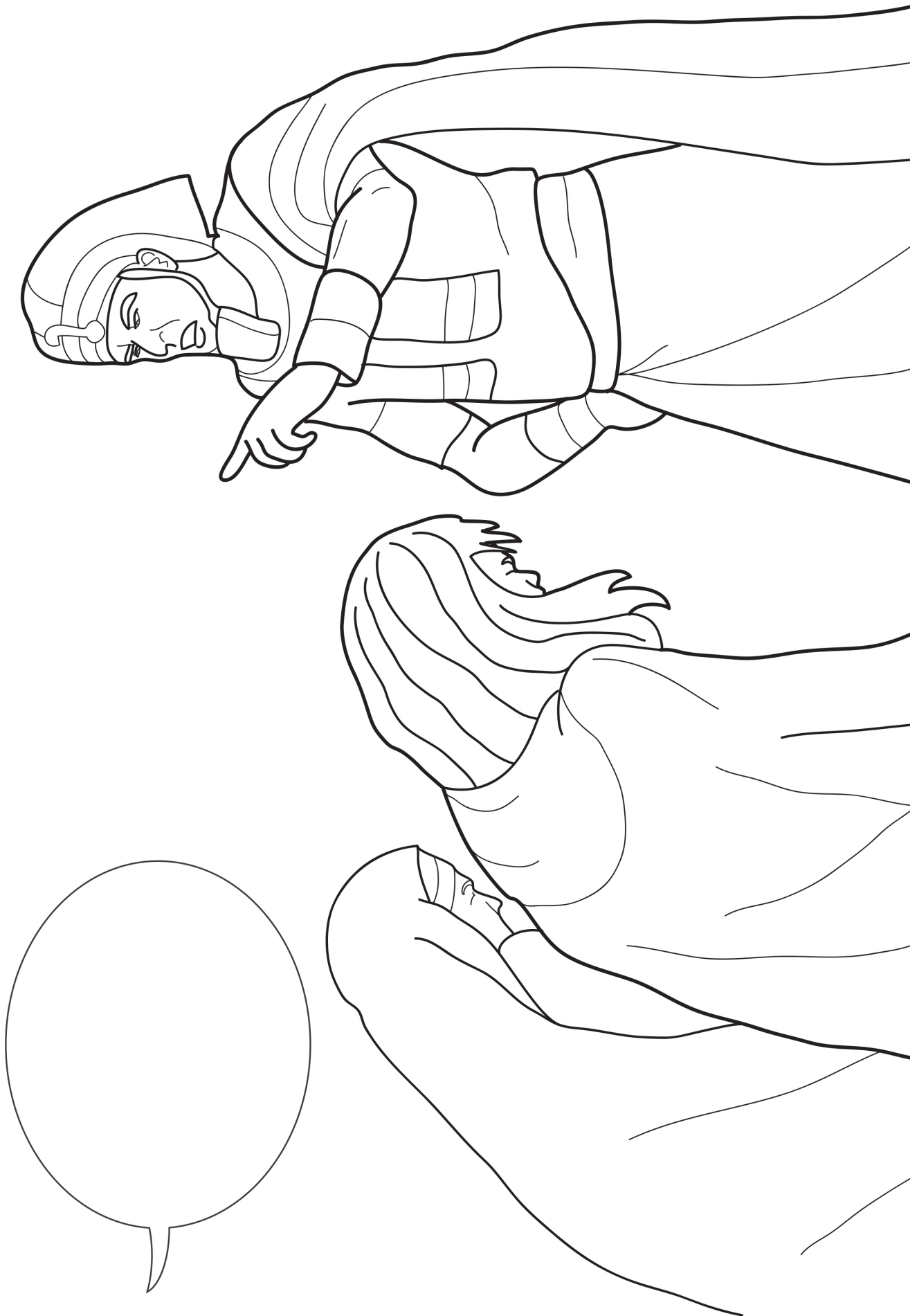
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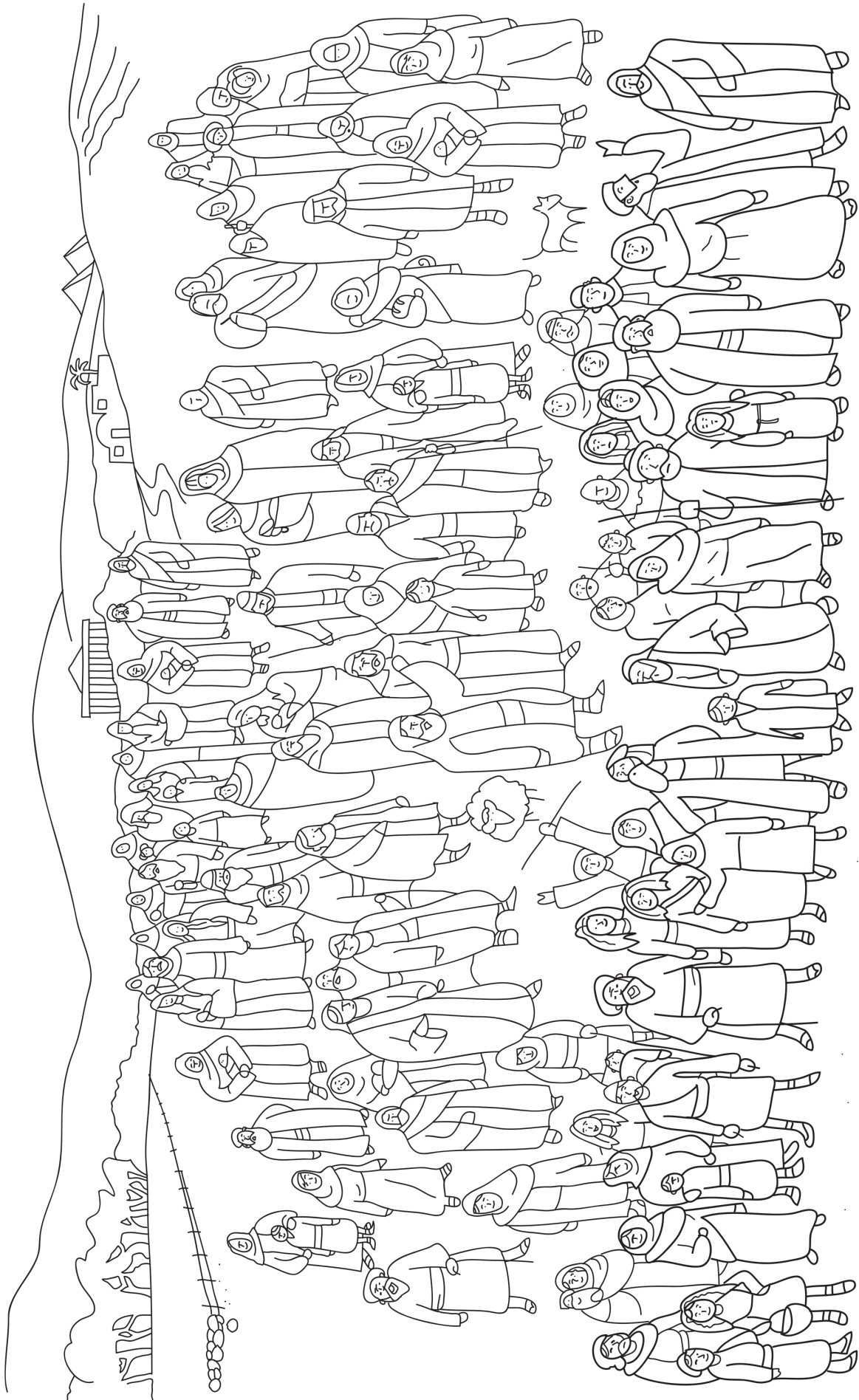
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**They let the
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**They lied to
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**God was
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midwives.**

**Many Israelites
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7.5 RESOURCE – Small sketches

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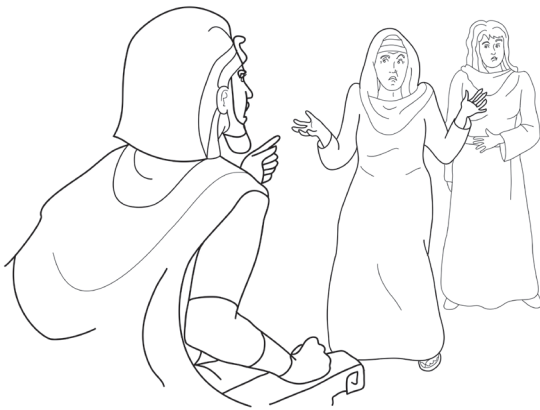
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7.7 RESOURCE – Gap-fill worksheet

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Fill in the missing words.

Genesis 1:15–21

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