

Noah

Concepts: Noah built the ark; animals went on two by two; the flood lasted 40 days; after the flood, a rainbow appeared.

Props: rain stick, musical hammer, rainbow ribbons, arks and animals, tools, color cards, megaphone, Lisa's colorful sunglasses

Tips for Teaching This Unit:

1. Tell the story... Once upon a time, a long, long time ago, there was a man named Noah. One day God spoke to Noah. Use the megaphone, say: "Noah!" He said, "It's going to rain and the whole earth is going to be flooded." Make sure they know that an ark is a boat! Take out the magical musical hammer and let each child take a turn at "building the ark. Sing **Noah Built the Ark**. (Use laminated tools and put pictures up as they suggest them; don't give out plastic tools unless you have one for each child.)

Noah Built the Ark

by Ellen Allard

Rat-a-tat tat!

alternating leg pats

Noah built the ark, oh (repeat 3x)

And he built it just like that.

both hands pat legs for 'JUST LIKE', clap for 'THAT'

Noah used a hammer, hammer, hammer,

demonstrate hammering

Noah used a hammer to build the ark! (repeat)

both hands pat legs for 'BUILD THE, clap for 'ARK'

2. Put cardboard ark and water on the felt board. Use the rain-stick to make rain sounds.
3. Noah took his family onto the ark. He also brought animals on the ark, but he didn't have room for ALL the animals, so he brought two of each kind. Give out stick puppets of animals to put on the ark, or give arks and laminated animals to every child. Sing **Good Ol' Noah**. (Ask if they've heard of Old MacDonald who had a farm? Well, long before Old MacDonald, there was Good Ol' Noah who built an ark!) After 40 days, the sun came out.

Good Ol' Noah Built an Ark [\(Lisa's prop\)](#)

by Lisa Baydush TTTO Old MacDonald Had a Farm

Good ol' Noah built an ark 'cause God said it would rain,
And on that ark he took two cows, who moo and moo'ed all day.

They moo-moo'ed here, and they moo-moo'ed there
Here a moo, there a moo, everywhere a moo-moo!

End:

Good ol' Noah built an ark 'cause God said it would rain,
And then one day the sun came out, and the water went away...

*So Noah opened the door of the ark
and the animals went out and spread all over the earth!*

Good ol' Noah waved goodbye, Shalom, shalom, shalom!



4. Noah saw a rainbow in the sky! Hold up the rainboa over children's heads, or put a rainbow on the felt board. It was God's promise that God would take care of the world; when we see a rainbow, we remember that we're supposed to help take care of the world too. Give out paintbrushes (with rainbow ribbons). Tell the children that the rainbow filled the world with color. Practice fluttering the ribbons in the air over heads. Sing **There is a Rainbow, Keshet** and/or **Painting a Beautiful World**.



There is a Rainbow

by Lisa Baydush ([audio](#))

There is a rainbow, a lovely rainbow, there is a rainbow in the sky!
There is a rainbow, a lovely rainbow, a lovely rainbow in the sky!
There is a rainbow, a lovely rainbow, and it's soaring way up high!
There is a rainbow, a lovely rainbow, a lovely rainbow in the sky!

It's red (red/adom) and orange (orange/katom),
Yellow (yellow/tzahov) and green (green/yarok);
It's blue (blue/kachol) and purple (purple/sagol),
God's gift to you and me! (chorus)

Keshet

by Lisa Baydush ([audio](#))

Red and orange and yellow and green
Blue and purple, a rainbow! (repeat)

Chorus:

A rainbow, a rainbow (keshet, keshet)
I see a rainbow up in the sky
A rainbow, a rainbow (keshet, keshet)
A rainbow up in the sky!

Adom, Katom, Tzahov, Yarok,
Kachol, Sagol, ba'keshet (repeat) (chorus)

5. More Noah songs:

Who Built the Ark/Teva?

adapted by Helene and Michael Kates

Chorus:

Who built the ark/teva? Noah, Noah!
Who built the ark/teva? Noah did! (repeat)

Noah built the ark big & tall, big & tall, big & tall
Noah built the ark big & tall, plenty of room for the large and small! Oh... (chorus)

Animals came on 2x2... Hippopotamus and kangaroo! Oh... (chorus)

The ark kept everyone warm & dry... 'til the rain stopped fallin' from the sky! Oh... (chorus)

When the rain stopped falling and the land was dry...
A beautiful rainbow appeared in the sky! Oh... (chorus)

That's the end of our story, the end for now...
We can all thank Noah for the lions and the cows! Oh... (chorus)

Noah Built an Ark

to the tune of Sippin' Cider Through a Straw

Noah built an ark! (echo)
Made it tall and wide, (echo)
With a window in the top,(echo)
And a door on the side. (echo) (repeat without echoes)

Then the animals came,(echo)
Walking side by side, (echo)
Marching two by two, (echo)
Going right inside. (echo)

And then it rained (echo) for 40 days (echo)
They all got wet (echo); They all complained! (echo)

When the rain was done, (echo)
And the land was dry, (echo)
God made a rain-, (echo) -bow in the sky. (echo)

Noah, Oh Noah

by Carol Boyd Leon

Noah, oh, Noah, lots of rain is on its way.
'Gonna rain and pour forty nights, forty days.
Noah, oh, Noah, you must hammer all day long,
Build an ark of wood, make it big, make it strong.

Chorus:

Yes, dear Noah, help the animals go in,
Take in small, take in tall, take in wide, take in thin.
Rain's gonna come to wash the evil all away
And we'll get a brand new start on a bright, sunny day.

Two kitty cats will come a-purring along.
Two cheerful bluebirds will come singing a song.
Two little mice will whisper, "Squeak, squeak, squeak."
Two green frogs will jump right out of the creek. (chorus)

Two speedy tigers will come leaping inside.
Two tall giraffes will come a-hitching a ride.
Two hippopotami will stomp right aboard
Creatures will come at the command of the Lord. (chorus)

Rain's gonna stop and then the sunshine we'll see
And God'll make a rainbow for you and for me.
It will be a promise that forever and a day,
God's love will shine on us and with us will stay. (chorus)

Rise and Shine

Chorus:

Rise and shine and give God your glory glory! (3x)
Children of the Lord

The Lord said to Noah, "There's gonna be a floody floody." (2x)
Get your children out of the muddy muddy!"
Children of the Lord (chorus)

So Noah, he built him, he built him an arky arky... made it out of hickory barky barky...
The animals, they came on, they came on by 2'ies, 2'ies... elephants and kangaroosies-roosies...
It rained and poured for 40 day-sie day-sies... drove the animals nearly crazy crazy...
The sun, it came out, and dried up the landy landy... everything was fine and dandy dandy...
This is the end of, the end of the story, story... everything was hunky dory, dory...

6. More rainbow songs:

The Rainbow Song

by Rick Recht ([video](#))

Chorus:

Bow, bow, bow, bow-bow-bow (2x)
What's your / favorite / color / in the rainbow?
What's your / favorite?

My favorite color is Kachol!
Kachol/Blue is my favorite color,
Kachol/Blue is the color of the sky,
Kachol/Blue is my favorite color,
My favorite color in the rain-bow-bow-bow...

We love every color in the Keshet!
We love every color in the Keshet,
The prettiest smile in the sky,
Keshet is how we say rainbow ... (lift the band up)
We love every color in the rain-bow-bow-bow-bow...

Colors of the Rainbow

by Ellen Allard ([prop](#))

Red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple
colors of the rainbow, colors so bright!
Red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple
colors of the rainbow, a colorful sight!

Red is a ___; Orange is a ___; Yellow is a ___.
Green is a ___; Blue is a ___; Purple is a ___!

