

On the First Day of Creation

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This lively retelling of the first Creation story (Genesis 1:1-2:3) gives children an opportunity to learn the story as they tell it.

On the first day of Creation,
so the ancient story goes,
God made the earth and the heavens,
and then when all was emptiness and darkness,
God said, "Let there be light,"
and it was so.
And God saw that it was good.
It was very good.

On the second day of Creation,
so the ancient story goes,
God made a dome high above us
and called it Sky and parted all the waters.
God said, "Let it be so,"
and it was so.
And God saw that it was good.
It was very, very good.

On the third day of Creation,
so the ancient story goes,
God made the lands and the oceans,
the plants and trees and all the vegetation.
God said, "Let it be so,"
and it was so.
And God saw that it was good.
It was very, very, very good.

On the fourth day of Creation,
so the ancient story goes,
God made the days and the seasons,
the sun and moon and stars and all the planets.
God said, "Let it be so,"
and it was so.
And God saw that it was good.
It was very, very, very, very good.

On the fifth day of Creation,
so the ancient story goes,
God made the whales and the fishes,
and birds that fly above us in the heavens.
God said, "Now multiply,"
and it was so.
And God saw that it was good.
It was very, very, very, very, very good.

On the sixth day of Creation,
so the ancient story goes,
God made the earth-dwelling creatures,
and then at last created human beings.
God said, "Now breathe in life,"
and it was so.
And God saw that it was good.
It was very, very, very, very, very, very good.

On the seventh day of Creation,
God rested.
Whew!