## 7.1 ADAM AND EVE

Aim - pupils to understand the story of Adam and Eve and what Christians believe about the FALL.

Read the story of Adam and Eve in your Bible. [Genesis 1:26-31 & 31-13]

Have you heard this story before? Some people believe that the story of Adam and Eve was written to explain how evil came into the world. They think it helps us to understand why some things in nature are cruel. There are many other stories about how evil came into the world. Perhaps you have heard some?

When Adam and Ever tasted the fruit they were thinking of themselves before God. God's trust was broken. Things would never be the same again. The moment when Adam and Eve turned away from God's wishes is sometimes called the FALL. Can you think why?



## **ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS**

- 1. If God had control of everything why did he let Adam and Eve decide for themselves about tasting the fruit?
- 2. Who do you think was to blame for tasting the fruit?
- 3. Why do you think everybody tries to blame someone else?
- 4. Do you think Adam and Eve planned to go against God's instructions?
- 5. Why do you think the fruit was so difficult to resist?
- 6. Why do you think we often want to do what we have been told NOT to do?
- 7. Were Adam and Eve sorry for what they had done?
- 8. When did you last have to say SORRY? Were you really sorry or were you just worried about getting into trouble?

## WRITING ACTIVITY.

Write a story about how you imagine evil came into the world. You can begin with a perfect world and then something happens to change it. You could add pictures if you like.

## **DRAMA ACTIVITY**

In a group make up a play about somebody who is very hungry and then sees some delicious food. The food doesn't belong to them but they take it. Think about whether they would eat it straight away or not? We have inner voices called consciences that tell us what is right or wrong. Perhaps you could put MR Conscience into the play? Act out your play for the class or turn it into a cartoon strip. Copyright S. White