

# Bible Activities

- 1 Jane has been asked to turn to the beginning of the New Testament in her Bible. Looking at the open Bibles, which one seems to be opened near where Jane wants?

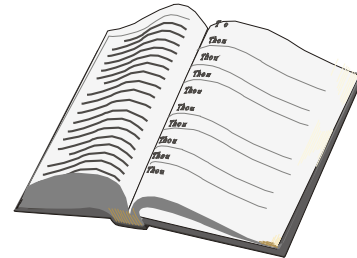
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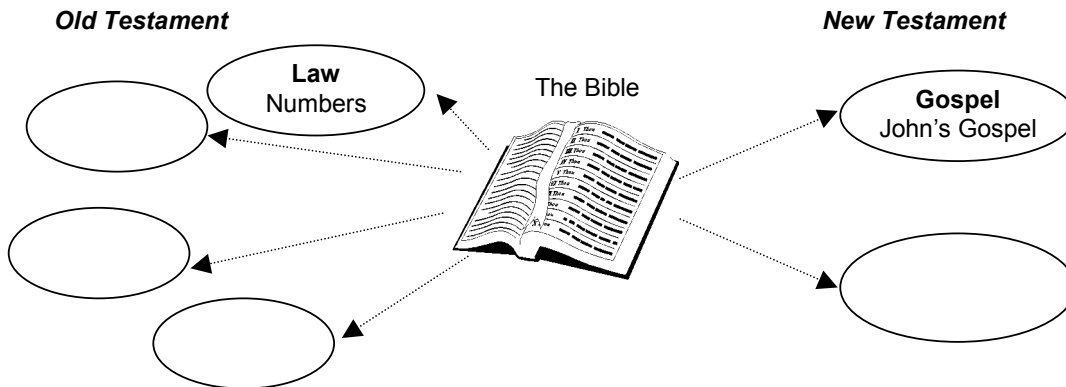
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- b) Copy and complete the sentence in the way you think is right.

The New Testament begins *less than halfway* *about halfway* *through the Bible.*  
*more than halfway*

- 2 Copy and complete the picture below.  
 In each space, you put a group name of Bible books (Law, History, ...) and the name of one book in that group.



- 3 Try to match the two parts of each sentence **that best fit**. Then write out the sentence.

Christians believe that all the Bible

The books of the Old Testament

The four Gospels

Much of the New Testament

contains letters to Christian groups.

are of special importance to Christians.

is the Word of God.

are the Jewish Bible.

4 Answer each of these questions with a **full sentence**.  
The first one is done for you as an example.

- i) How many testaments are there in the Bible?  
A one  
B two  
C three

**B There are two testaments in the Bible.**

- ii) What is the *first* book of the Bible?  
A Matthew's Gospel  
B Genesis  
C Acts of the Apostles
- iii) What is the *last* book of the Bible?  
A Apocalypse (or Revelation)  
B Deuteronomy  
C Mark's Gospel

- iv) Which books of the Bible are called the Law (or *Torah*) by Jews?  
A the four Gospels  
B the books of the prophets  
C the first five books of the Bible
- v) Who wrote most of the letters in the New Testament?  
A Peter  
B Paul  
C John
- vi) Which of these words comes from an Old English word meaning 'good news'?  
A Gospel  
B Testament  
C Bible

### Research

5 Using information from an encyclopaedia (you could use an encyclopaedia on the net or on CD), find out and write up *in your own words* your research on any of the following topics:

- i) the languages used when the Bible books were first written;
- ii) the way new Bibles were made before the time of printing presses;
- iii) the different languages into which the Bible has been translated;
- iv) the time when the Bible was first translated into English;
- v) the different English translations of the Bible.