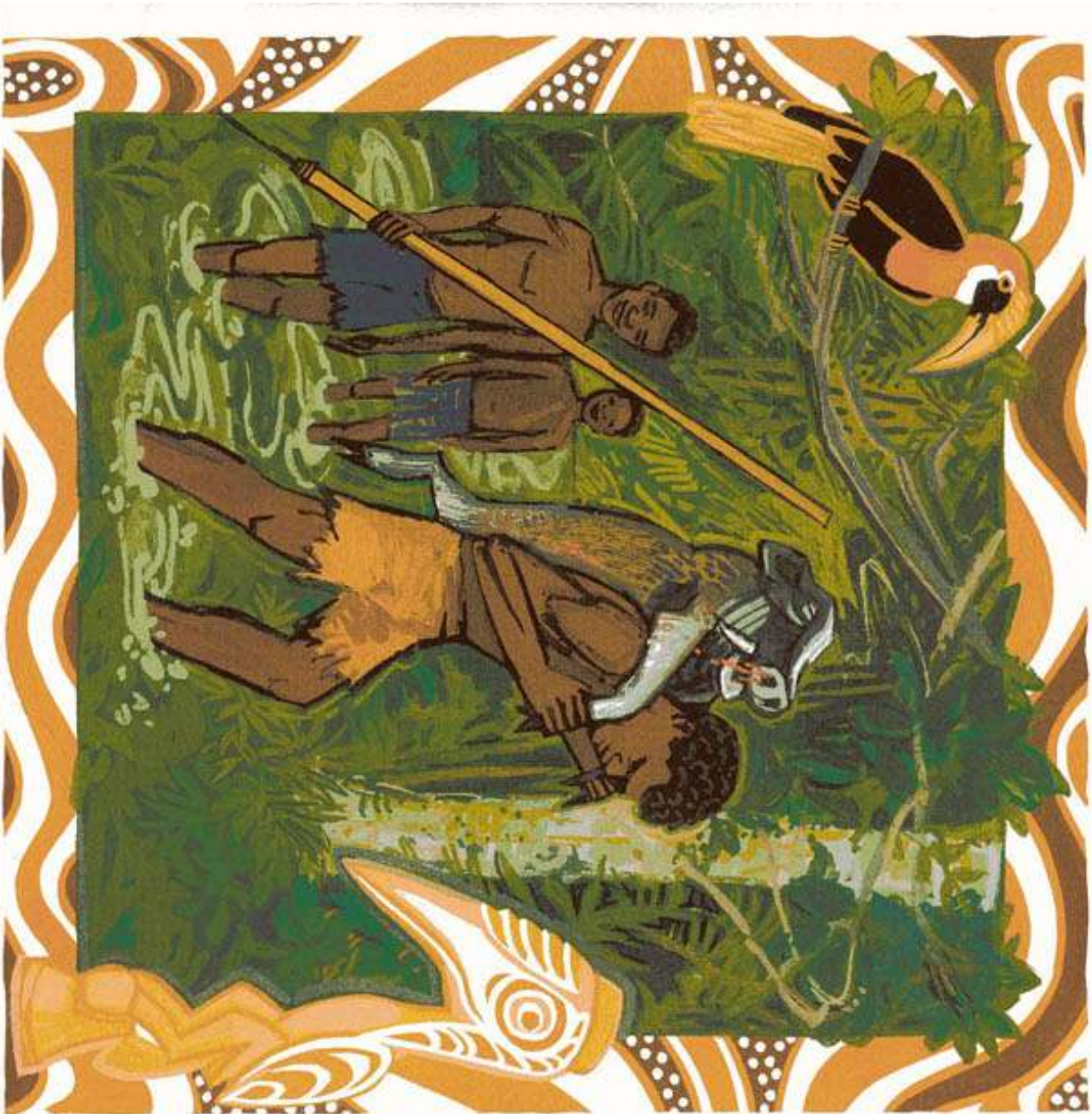


Teaching Guide -The Umeda People

Instructions for Leaders or Teachers

- Study all the material yourself before sharing it with others.
- Introduce the people group to the children.
- Listen to the audio information that describes the people group.
- Listen to any additional information provided.
- Do these things in the order listed. Some points can be skipped over if not usable.
- Use a map of globe to locate the area where the people group lives.
- Have children do map work that is age appropriate.
- Talk about the location of the Umeda people group in relation to the equator.
- Ask “Do the Umeda people live close to the equator?” If the answer is “Yes”, this indicates a hot/tropical climate.
- Ask, “Do the Umeda people live in a mountain area?” If the answer is “Yes”, this will indicate a colder/cooler climate.
- Have the children name the countries surrounding the country where the Umeda people group live.
- Look at the map included and see if the country has any access to an ocean or a river which would allow transport of goods.
- Talk about the ways the Umeda people group provide for basic human needs:
 - Food
 - Clothing
 - Shelter
 - Human relationships
 - Compare the answers with the way your own people provide these needs.
 - Are these customs of the Umeda people different from the way you live?
 - Talk about the importance of color and the meaning of color.
 - Talk about festivals and music.

- Talk about the animals that live in this country where the Umeda people live. Are the animals helpful to the people? Are the animals a danger to the people?
- What are the main spiritual beliefs of the Umeda people?
 - Have any of these people placed their faith in Jesus Christ?
 - Is there a church where these people may gather together to worship and study?
 - Do any Christians in this group face persecution, (treatment in a harsh or cruel way) for their beliefs?
- Ask your group of children if the Umeda people have any part of God's Word (The Bible), translated into their own language?
- Ask if they have any other Christian material?
 - Bible stories
 - Christian radio
 - Christian music Christian drama
 - Christian audiocassettes
- Pray for the Umeda people group using the prayer points you have heard. Are the children able to think of other things for which to pray?
- Are there people groups in your country who are still waiting to hear the message of God's love for all peoples? Pray for them too!
- Are there children or adults in your group who might like to train as Bible Translators? A Bible Translator put the words of the Bible into the words of a different language.
- Review the names and countries of other people groups you have already studied.
- If a craft or color page is included this week and is useful for your group of children to work on, do it now.



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Umeda

(oo-may-dar)

In Papua New Guinea a successful Umeda hunter hardens his muscles for a strenuous journey back to his village. He has speared a great prize. The huge and heavy wild boar now rides high on his shoulders. A knowing hornbill smugly watches the triumphant parade from a high, swaying branch. Squelch and swish. Squelch and swish. Warm mud oozes between toes grasping for a foothold in the swamp. The delighted boys think about the feast to come. Mmm! In a pit lined and sealed with banana leaves, meat and sweet potato will sizzle and steam slowly beside red-hot stones. Ooh, the tantalizing aroma will stir an enormous appetite.

The Umeda people do not have the Bible in their own language.



The Umeda People

Continent: An island nation in the South Pacific Ocean

Country: Papua New Guinea

Geographical Information:

The country of Papua New Guinea is on one half of a large South Pacific island.

- It also has a number of smaller surrounding islands.
- The other half of the island is part of Indonesia.

Can you find the islands of Papua New Guinea on the map of the Pacific region?

- Crocodiles are one type of animal (reptiles) that live in the rivers and swamps surrounding the villages of the Umeda people.

Facts about the Umeda people:

- The Umeda people are a tiny language group living in one village and speaking their own language.
- The village is in the lowland rainforest near the border with Indonesia.
- There are only about 275 Umeda people.
- God loves these people and wants them to love and serve Him.
- The Umeda people build their homes from materials they find in the rain forest
- Hardwood posts hold up and support floors made from palm trees.
- The roofs are made from thatched leaves of the sago palm tree.
- The houses have no walls because the climate is so hot and sticky.
- For food, the Umeda grow gardens of vegetables and sago palm.
- Men's work is to clear gardens from the thick tropical growth. Men crush the sago pith for the women to wash.
- Umeda men also hunt for small animals that live in their rainforest home.
- Sometimes men kill a wild pig when they can find one.
- The women work to wash the sago starch, store it and cook it for their families each day.

- The women also plant and weed the gardens, prepare meals and care for children.
- Umeda children learn to help their parents at an early age. They catch fish for their families to eat.
- They also have plenty of free time to play and swim in the streams.
- Little boys learn to copy their fathers by carrying around tiny bows and arrows.
- Little girls like to carry small net bags hung on their foreheads, just like their mothers.
- The Umeda people are animists. That means they believe everything in their surroundings has a soul and can be ordered about by using magic.
- Men do the rituals and dances which they believe will direct the magic power.
- They believe this will keep the lives of their families healthy and successful.
- The Umeda people have been very much against new beliefs such as Christianity.
- One Christian group has been working with them for thirty years, but only a few Umeda have become followers of Christ.
- Recently the Umeda people requested someone to come and share God's Message. A Christian man from another nearby language group has answered that request. He has gone to live with the Umeda people. First he will have to learn the Umeda language. Then he can share God's Message with the Umeda people.

You can pray for the Umeda people.

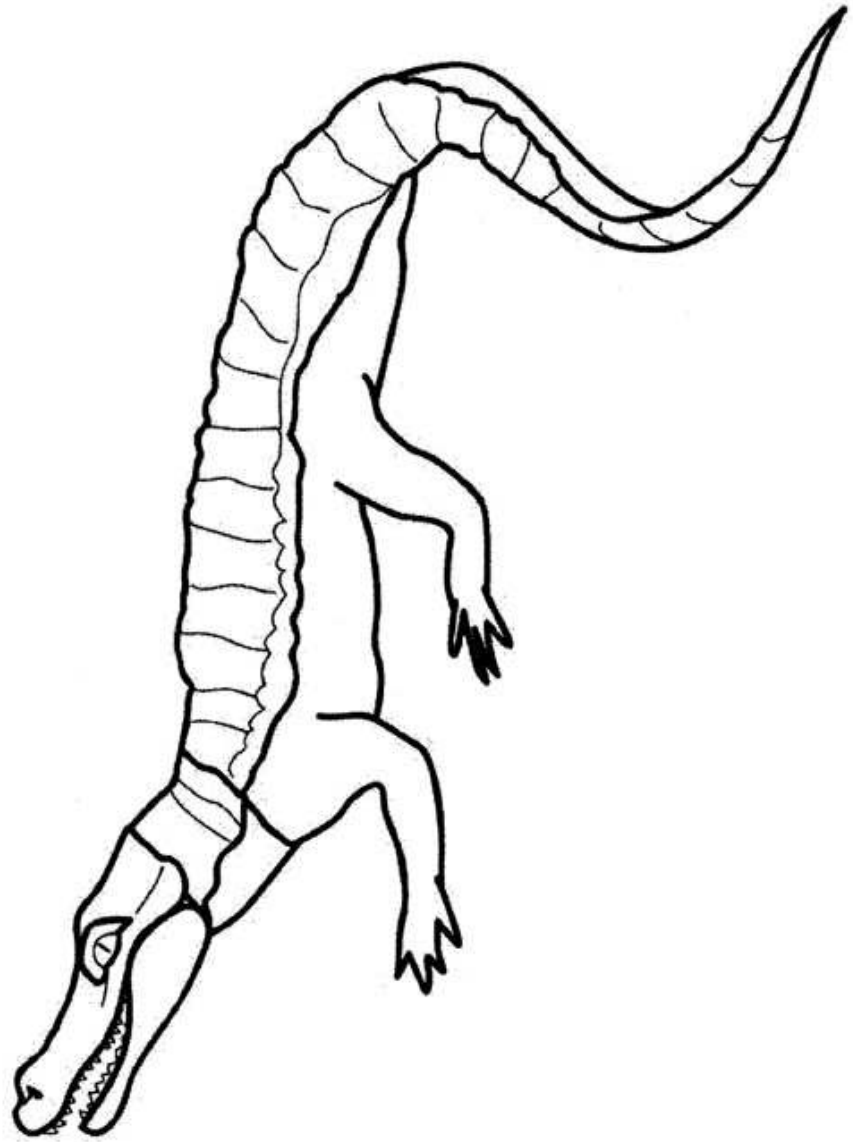
- Pray for the Christian man from another language group. Pray for him as he learns the language of the Umeda people. Pray that this man will be a strong Christian witness. Pray that he will be loving witness to the unbelieving Umeda people.
- Pray for translation of Umeda Christian materials that will develop a strong desire for God's Message.
- Pray that the Umeda people will be willing to let go of old beliefs.
- Pray that Umeda hearts and minds will be opened to the love that God offers through belief in Christ.

Papua New Guinea Animal Study

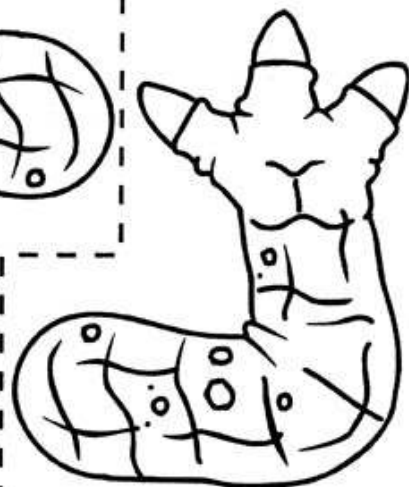
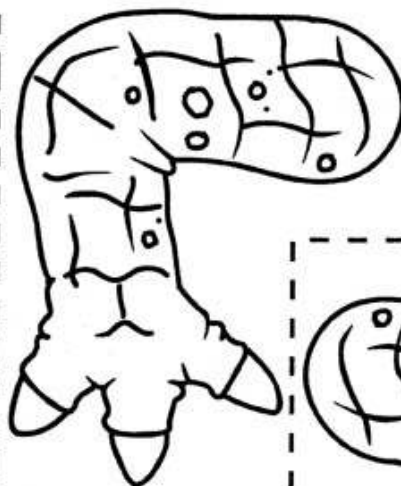
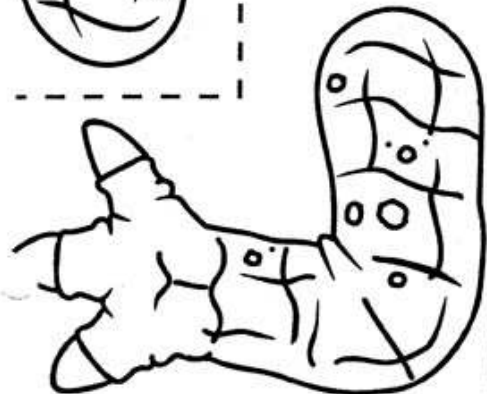
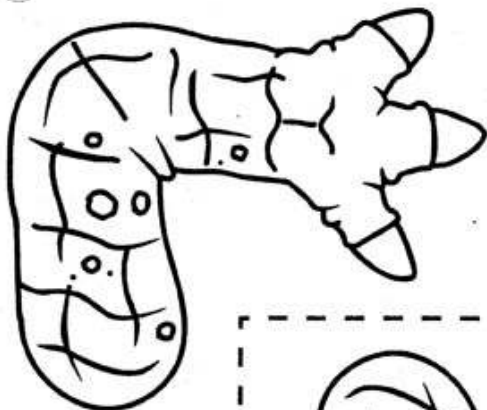
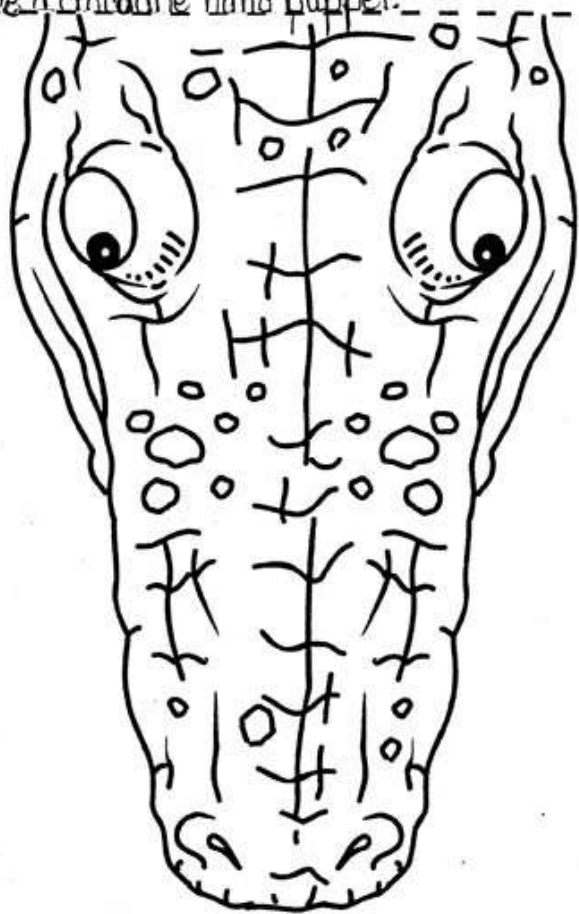
Crocodiles

- Crocodiles are reptiles. They live in the warm tropical waters of Africa, North and South America, in Asia and Australia. They are also found in Papua New Guinea. Crocodiles look like alligators. You can tell them apart by the shape of the tapered snout. Also their lower teeth stick out when their huge jaws are closed.
- Crocodiles vary in size. Those that live in saltwater may be up to 10 meters in length. Other crocodiles are no more than 1 meter long.
- They swim very well using their tails and webbed feet. They have about 75 long sharp teeth in a long mouth.
- Crocodiles swallow their food whole. They eat fish, each other, birds, and mammals, including humans.
- They are nocturnal, which means they mostly hunt at night.
- Because crocodiles are cold blooded, they like to lie out in the sun. They sunbathe in groups, with their mouths open. The groups are usually of the same size. This is because crocodiles eat each other. Large crocodiles will kill and eat smaller ones.
- Crocodile Birds are allowed to wander freely among the basking reptiles because these birds help the crocodiles. These birds pick leeches and other parasites from the skin of crocodiles. They even walk inside the open mouths to clean food fragments from the teeth. This keeps the large teeth healthy and provides food for the birds.
- Many crocodiles are grey-green, dark olive, or gray-brown on their back. Their backs have a ridge with bony scales. The belly is yellow to white and has smooth scales. Female crocodiles lay about 75 eggs.
- People have hunted these large animals for their skins. In some places in the world large crocodiles are becoming quite rare.





Color this crocodile. Cut out the sections and attach them to a small paper bag. Now you have a crocodile hand puppet.



Mi Wanpela Pukpuk I am a Crocodile

The South Pacific island of New Guinea is located just north of the continent of Australia. In the low lying coastal regions and along the large tropical rivers, children at a very early age must be taught about the dangers that surround them.

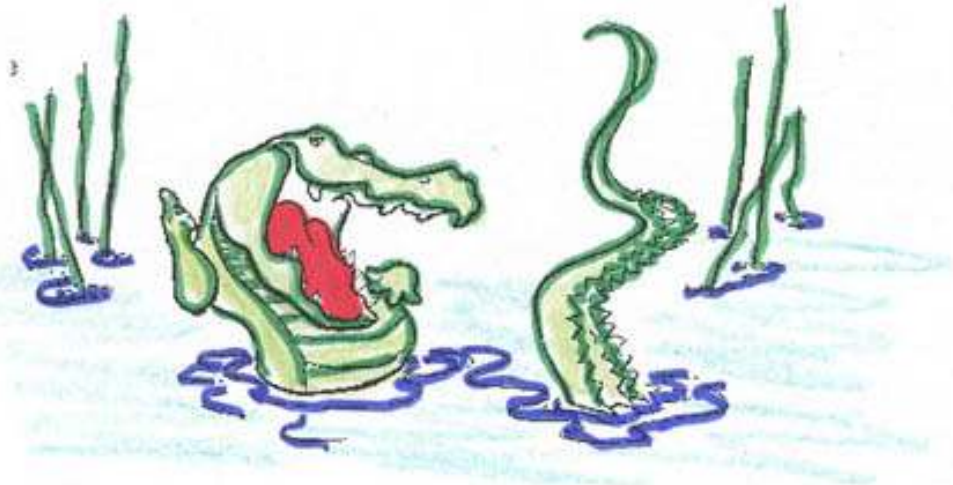
Crocodiles are one of the dangerous animals that lives in this region. Parents warn children to stay far away from these hungry animals that lurk about on the ocean beaches and along river banks seeking food to devour (eat). The crocodiles lie very still just beneath the water and deceive animals and people because they look like floating logs. But the children must not be deceived or they will be eaten by the crocodile. The children must learn to obey their parents and listen to their instructions.

The Bible teaches all children everywhere to be alert and careful to do this. The New Testament book of Colossians gives this important rule in chapter 3 verse 20.

“Children, obey your parents in all things, for this is well pleasing to the Lord.” NKJV

This is one story used by parents in Papua New Guinea to warn children of the dangers of crocodiles.

Mi Wanpela Pukpuk



Tok Pisin

Stori Bilong Abus
Tasty Tidbits

I am a Crocodile
by Steve Simpson
drawings by Stuart Kilgour
& Melanesian Pidgin story about tasty tidbits.

1990, Ukurumpa, Papua New Guinea

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Mi wanpela pukpuk. Mi hangre nogut tru!

English translation:

I am a crocodile. I am very, very hungry!



Ooo, mi laik kaikai pis. Swit moa!

English translation:

I like to eat fish. Mmm....good (very sweet)!



Mi laik kaikai planti rokrok tu.

English Translation:

I like to eat lots of frogs!



Mi laik kaikai kuka. Em tu swit moa!

English Translation:

I like crabs. They are yummy (very sweet)!



Narapela samting mi laik kaikai, em pik!
Mi laik gris bilong pik tumas.
Ems wit moa!

English Translation:

Another thing I like eating is pig!
I like the flavor (grease) a lot.
It is very sweet!



Olaman! Mi laik kaikai trausel ya!
I gutpela tumas.
Na em swit moa yet!

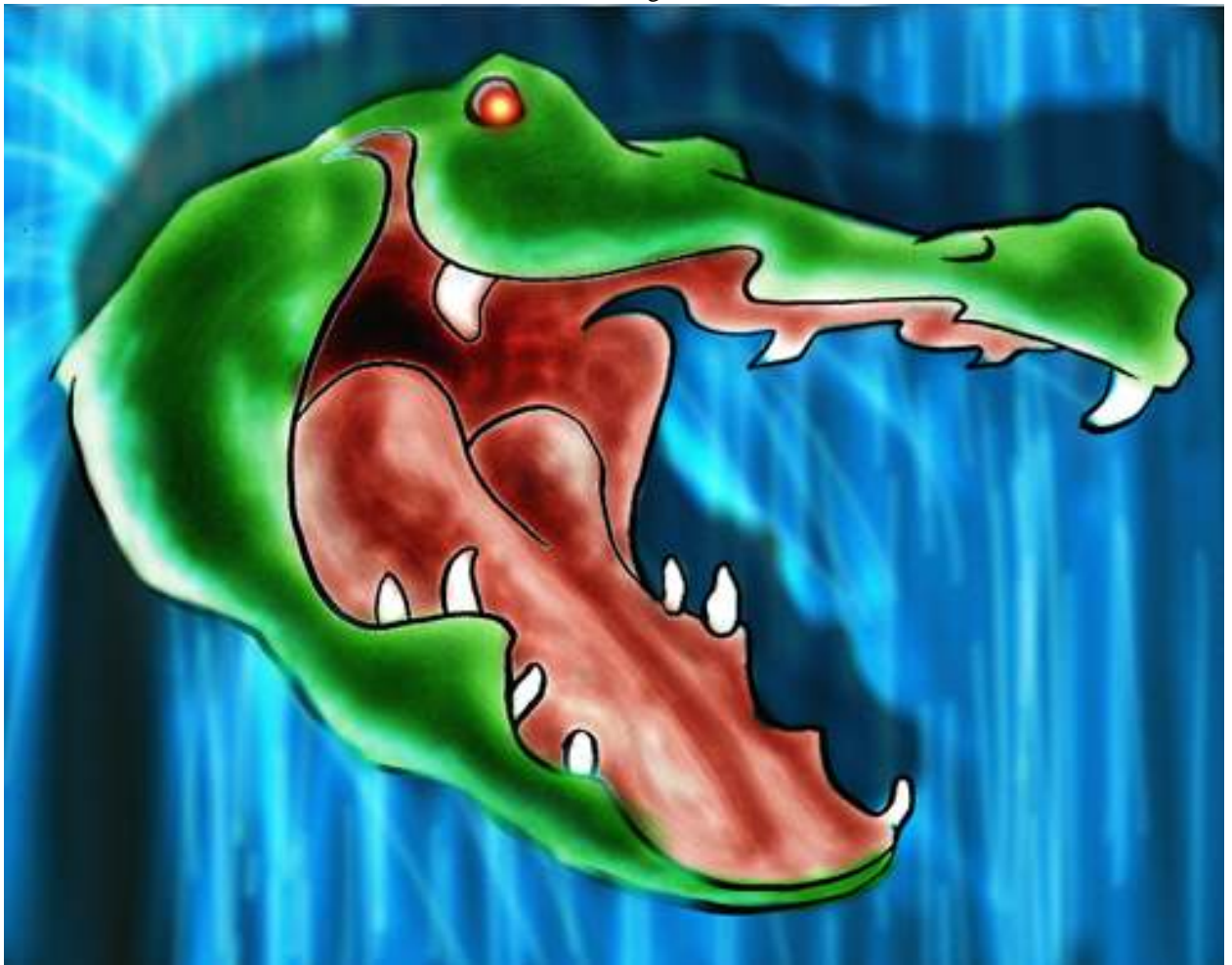
English Translation:

Wow! I like eating turtles!
They are wonderful.
They are even sweeter!



Dok tu em I gutpela tru.
Mi laik kaikai dok tude!
Swit moa ya!

English Translation:
Dogs are good too.
I would like to eat dog today! Mmmm....!



Tumoro bai mi painim wanem kai kai?

YU YET!

English translation:

Tomorrow what food will I find to eat?

YOU!

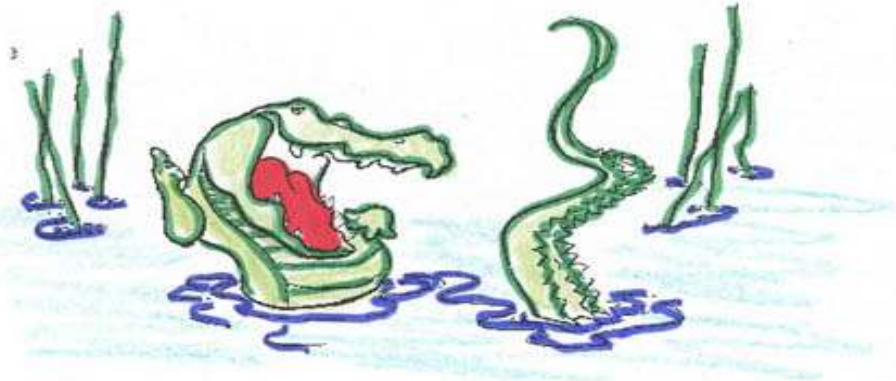
We now know that in Papua New Guinea, pukpuk's (crocodile's) lurk ready to devour fish, crabs, turtles, pigs, dogs and people.

This story reminds us of something else. The evil one (Satan, sometimes called the devil) walks about like a roaring lion (or crocodile) searching for children and adults he can lead the wrong way. Satan lies to lure people to do wrong things.

“Satan is the Father of Lies”. Satan loves to trick us. He wants to fool us into believing the lies he tells. God’s Message (the Bible) tells us “Be sober (alert) and self-controlled. Be watchful. Your adversary (enemy) the devil, walks around like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour (eat up in a hungry, greedy way.) (I Peter 5:8)

The following pages are to color.

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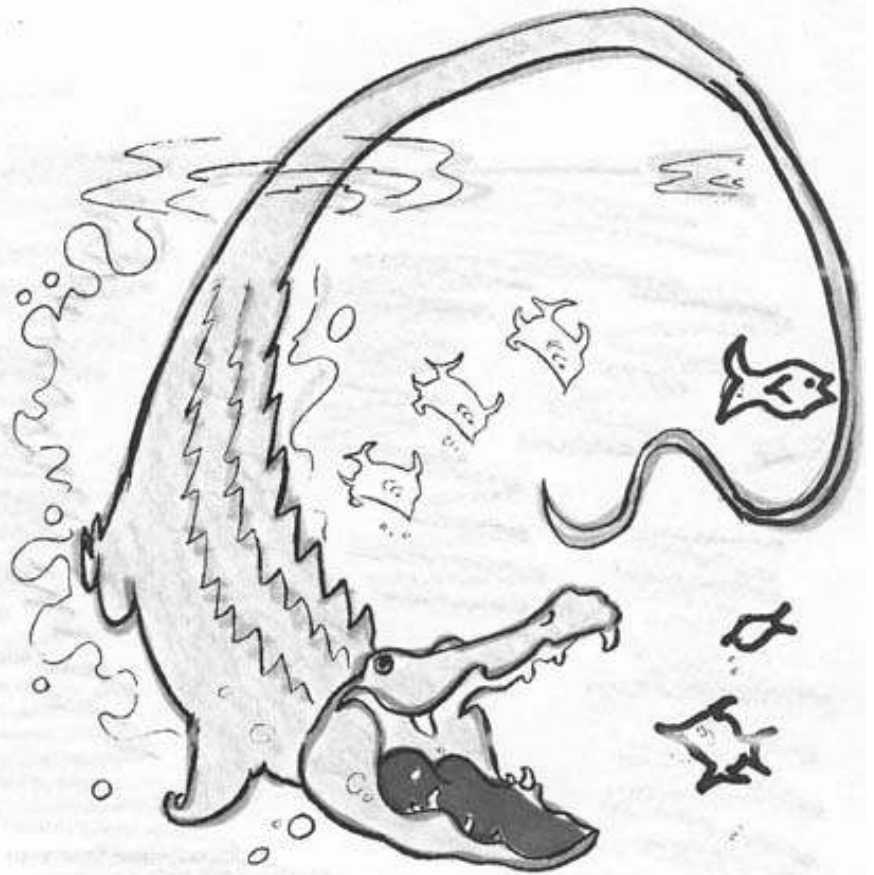
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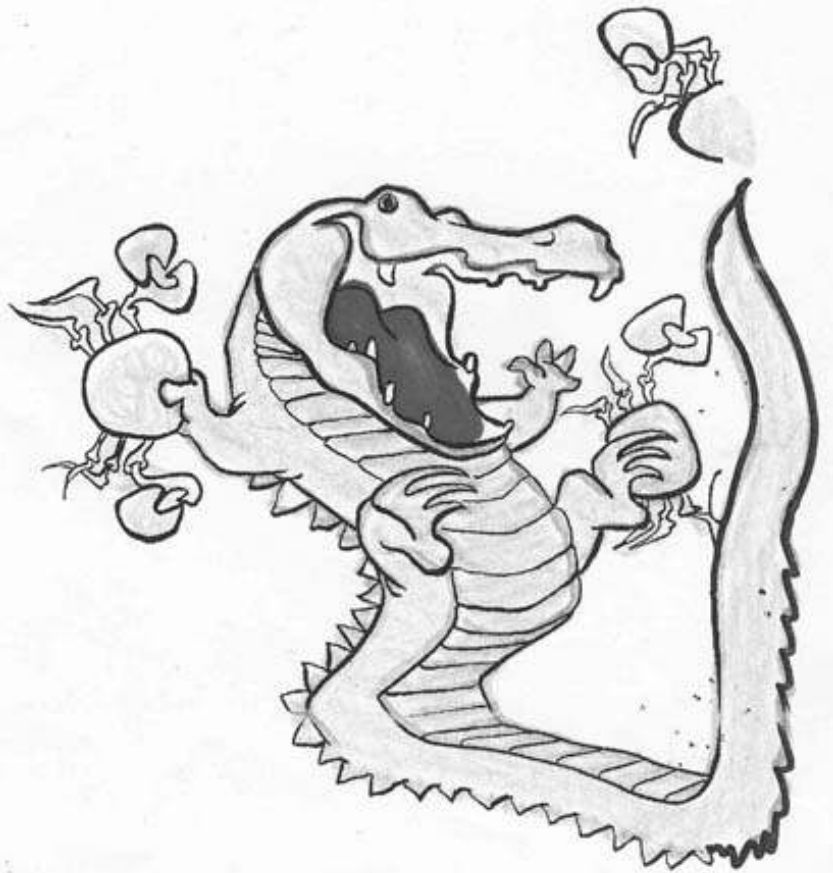
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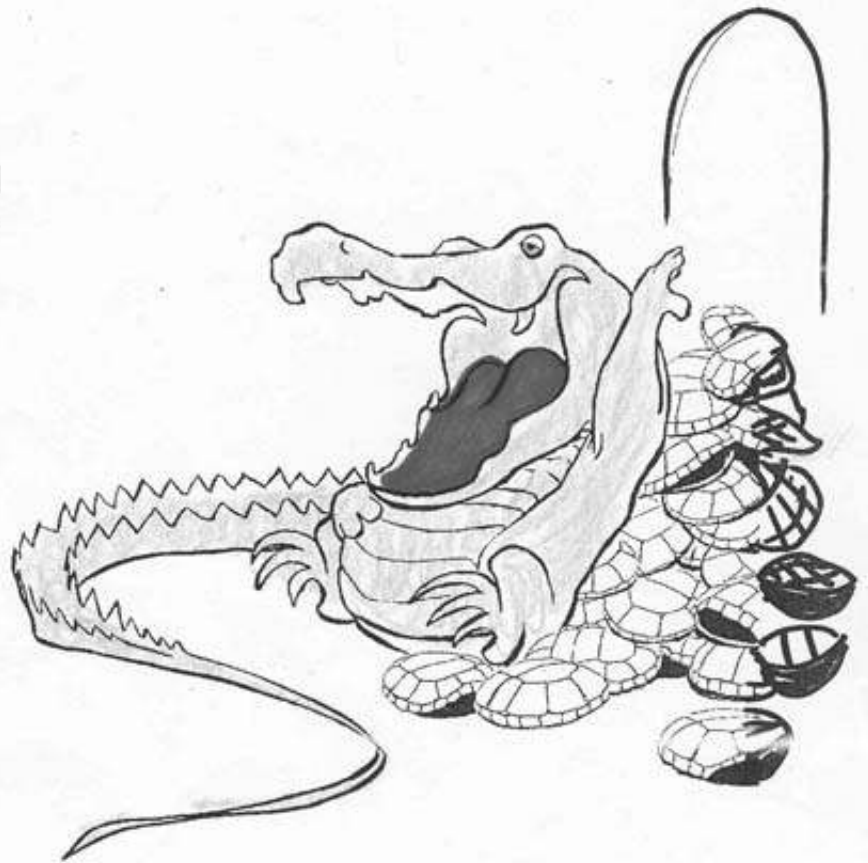
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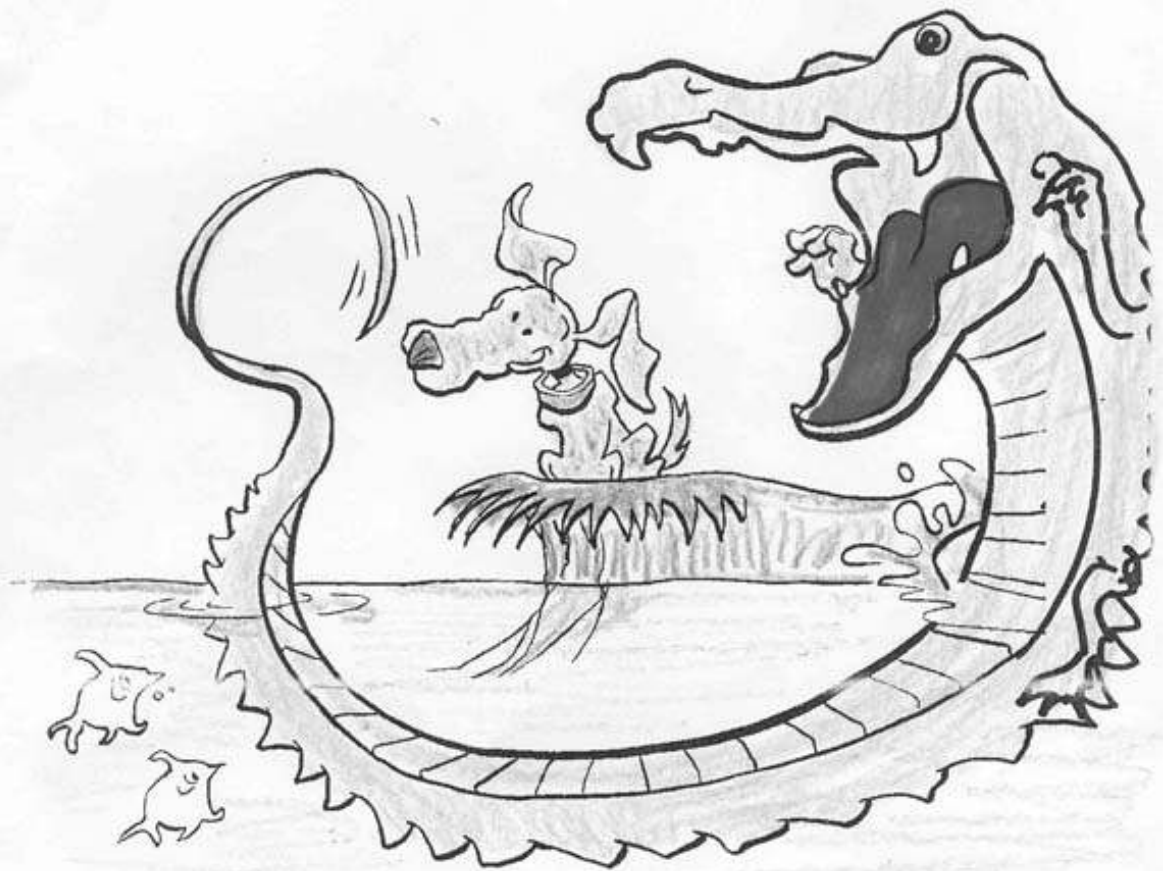
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