



The Gold Coins

God gives special gifts to each one of us. It may be a gift of reading, drawing and painting or playing a sport. We must make use of our talents at home, in the school or parish and at every given opportunity.



A man of noble birth once went to a far country. Before he left, he called his servants and gave them each a gold coin, asking them to earn something from it while he was away.

A few days later he returned home and called the servants. The first one came and said he had earned ten gold coins with the one given to him.



Know Now: There are seven coins named in the New Testament from 7 different Greek words. There are also many coins named in the Old Testament the most famous being the gold "daric" produced by Darius the Mede who is named in Daniel (Daniel 5:30-31).

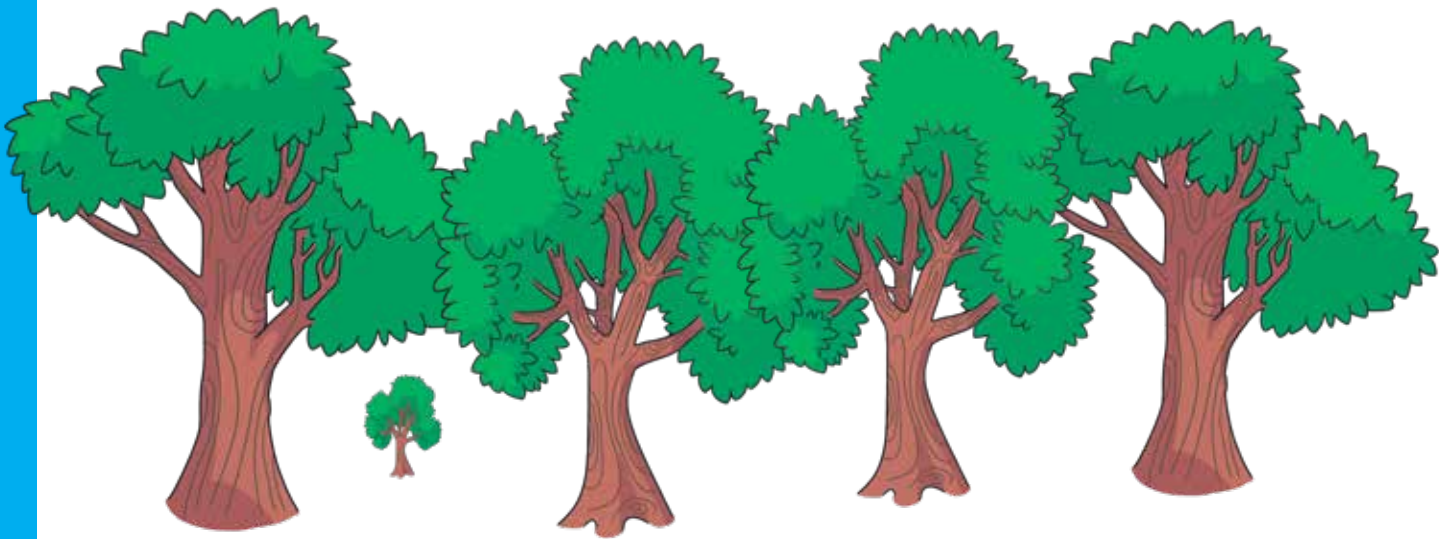
Know Now: Mina and talent are money terms used in the New Testament but they refer to weights of silver rather than coins.

The master was happy and said to him, "Well done, my good servant! You have been faithful to me."

The second servant came and said he had earned five gold coins and it pleased the master.

Then came the third servant and returned his gold coin saying he had kept it hidden, because he feared that the master might scold him if he lost it.

This made the master very angry. "You bad servant," he said and took away the gold coin from him. He then gave it away to the servant who had earned ten gold coins. Then he turned to his servants and said that those who make good use of what they are given, will be given even more. Our talents are like the gold coins. We must not be afraid, and we must not hide our talents.



Then he said to those who were standing there, 'Take the gold coin away from him and give it to the servant who has ten coins.' But they said to him, 'Sir, he already has ten coins!' 'I tell you,' he replied, 'that to those who have something, even more will be given; but those who have nothing, even the little that they have will be taken away from them.'

Luke 19: 24-26



Lord, thank you for all the gifts you have granted each one of us. Please guide and help us to use our gifts well. In Jesus' name we ask. Amen.

What is your talent? Is it in sports or art? Are you good in writing or creating poems? God has given at least one talent to everyone. Find out yours and share it with your teacher.





Here is a plain canvas. Show your talent on how best you can make this space look beautiful. Be as creative as possible in the bottom part of this diagram. Use only crayons or pencil colours.

