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7-11s discover the adventure!

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Technology

British children are spending hours a day watching television and online videos or playing games on game consoles or on other electronic devices. With this in mind it's important that the experiences and messages children are engaging with through technology are positive and help them to think of life not only at, but away from the screen too.



Plug in

Show some electronic devices e.g. iPad/tablet, mobile phone, electronic/interactive pet, digital camera, laptop. Have a discussion about them, using the following questions:

- How can technology be helpful/unhelpful?
- How much time do you think you should spend on the computer/internet? What are the effects of this?
- How can you share your technological experiences with your friends and families; what activities could you perhaps do together?

Get connected

Many Bible stories have been made into films and cartoons – what a great use of technology.

Veggie Tales can be found on YouTube and covers many different Bible stories. Why not choose your child's favourite Bible story and see if there is a cartoon version?

You can watch the Veggie Tales version of the Good Samaritan here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XFj6YiG0-k>

Or a cartoon version of Noah's Ark here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vjhhMWJ2wE>

Activate

You'll need: A digital camera/device with camera function.

Take a photo of something you can see in your garden or outside e.g. a flower, tree, or bird.

Whilst you look at the photo you've taken (you could print it if you're able to), ask your child to draw/paint what they see.

Isn't it amazing that by using technology we can capture God's beautiful world.

Reconnect

If you're able to, download the free app Guardians of Ancora by Scripture Union. This app is an adventure whilst exploring stories of the Bible, which your child may enjoy watching.