

12. Writing Names of Places

Where did God tell Joseph to take Mary and Baby Jesus? Did He just tell him to go to another country? No, God wanted Joseph to go to a specific country. He told Joseph to take the mother and child to Egypt.

What did the angel tell Cornelius? Did the angel tell Cornelius to send his servants to just any town to find Peter? No, the angel named a specific town. He named the town of Joppa.

Egypt is the name of a specific country. Joppa is the name of a specific town. There are many places in the world, and each place has its own special name. We use these names to say which specific place we mean.

Read the names of the specific places listed below. Each name begins with a capital letter.

<u>country</u>	<u>state</u>	<u>city</u>	<u>river</u>
Mexico	Iowa	Lancaster	Jordan
India	Kansas	Ottawa	Nile
Canada	Ohio	Chicago	Hudson

Remember: Names of specific places begin with a capital letter.



Lesson 12

Purpose: To teach that some nouns are used to name specific places and that such nouns begin with a capital letter.

Stimulate Interest: Remind the class that yesterday they learned about nouns which name specific people. Today they will be learning about nouns which name specific places.

Class: Write the word *country* on the blackboard. Tell the class that this noun names a place, but not a specific place. Ask them to say the

names of some specific countries. Write the names on the board. Point out to the class that each of these names begins with a capital letter.

Tell the class to open their books to lesson 12. Read together the list of specific places. Discuss briefly each place that is named.

Do *For You to Do* together in class. Write the names for parts A and B on the board and have the children copy them correctly. The use of a map for part B should add interest and learning to this exercise.