



# Activity Time

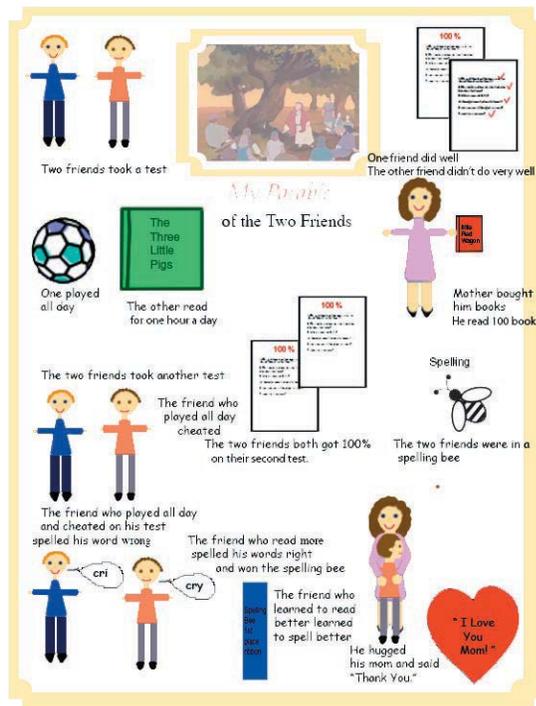
Approximate Time: 5-15 minutes

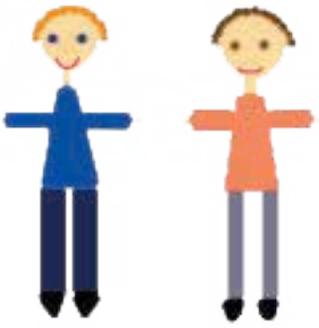
**What you need:** A copy of “My Parable” stationery (artwork included with this lesson) and pen, pencil or crayons for each family member.

**Preparation** 1. **Print** out the artwork.

**Activity:** (Younger children will need help from an older sibling or parent.)

1. Ask: What important principles can our family learn from the new Parable of the Two Friends? (Honesty, hard work, gratitude, sacrifice, etc...)
2. Ask: What important principles do you need to work on doing better?
3. Tell your family to think about situations that they have evaluated in their lives or the lives of others that could help illustrate these principles.
4. Give each person a piece of “My Parable” stationery and a pen, pencil, or crayons and have them write their own parable. Help younger children with their idea (show and read example of the illustrated parable) and then let them draw their parable. Have an older sibling or parent write captions for their pictures.





Two friends took a reading test



One friend got 100%

The other friend didn't do very well

### My Parable of the Two Friends (Illustrated version) for example



One played all day



The other read for one hour a day

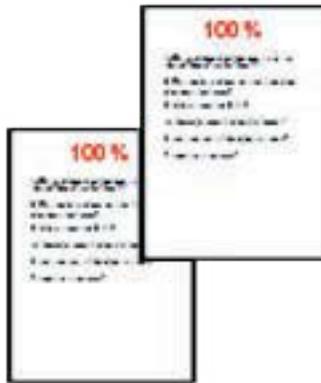


Mother bought him books  
He read 100 books during the summer

The two friends took another test



The friend who played all day cheated



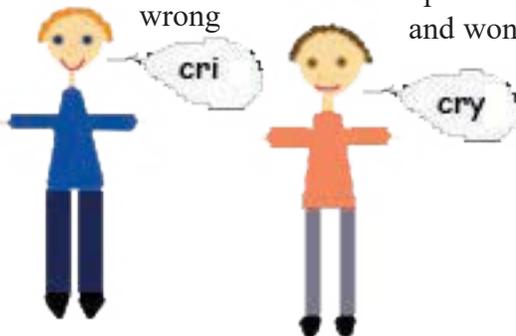
The two friends both got 100% on the second test

Spelling Bee



The two friends were in a spelling bee contest

The friend who played all day and cheated on his test spelled his word wrong



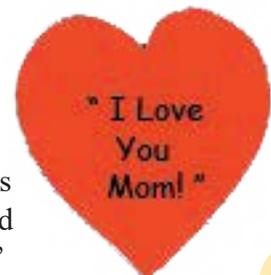
The friend who read more spelled all his words right and won the Spelling Bee



The friend who learned to read better learned to spell better



He hugged his mom and said "Thank You"





*My Parable*