

YouTube video and discussion - Hewn

Using this secular YouTube video you can talk with the children about giving and taking.

A father made of wood has a son made of iron. The fire in his son's heart needs feeding with wood to keep it burning. The son eats everything that is made of wood – even their house collapses. The iron son sees what this is doing to his wooden father and runs away. Because he has no more wood to feed the fire, it goes out and he nearly dies. His father then puts a windmill in his heart, which also gives him energy, and the son comes back to life.

So what makes this film suitable for a discussion on this Bible story?

Abram and Lot are in a struggle for water and food. As in this film, there is not enough for both of them and their families. What do you do then?

In the Bible story Abram and Lot separate. In the video the father looks for a solution which means that they can stay together. Which is better?

Important questions:

Before showing this video to the children it's important to ask yourself the following questions:

- is this something I want to show to the children?
- is it compatible with the age and the context of the children with whom I work?

Step 1: Which is stronger?

What do you need:

- three printed worksheets to show the children

What do you do:

Tell: We're going to watch a short video about wood and iron, fire and wind, taking and giving.

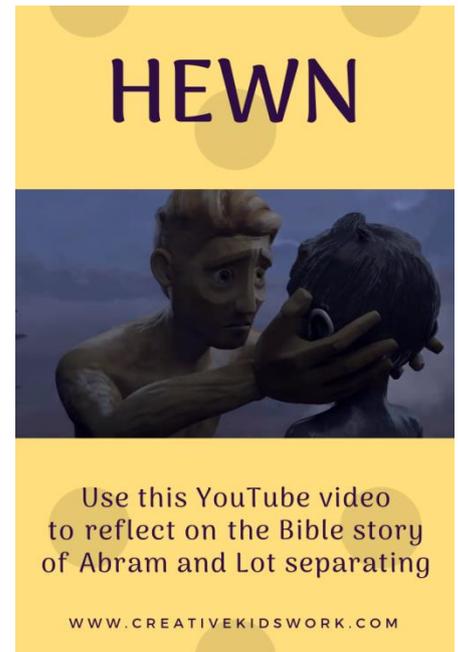
Ask: Which do you think is stronger?

Do: Show the children the picture of the wood and iron.

Ask: Which is stronger, wood or iron? Why?

Do: Show the children the picture of fire and wind.

Ask: Which is stronger, fire or wind? Why?



Do: Show the children the picture of the words 'Giving' and 'taking'.

Ask: Which is stronger, giving or taking? Why?

Step 2: Watch the film Scraps together

You can find this video here on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F2KZP2FZqrE&t=5s>

The film lasts a couple of minutes.

Step 3: How do you stay together?

Do: Show the three worksheets once more.

Ask: Repeat the three questions you asked before you watched the film:

Which is stronger, wood or iron? Why?

Which is stronger, fire or wind? Why?

Which is stronger, giving or taking? Why?

What does this video have to do with Abram and Lot's shepherds?

Tell: In today's story, Abram and Lot's shepherds are fighting about water and food. Just as in the film, there is not enough for both of them.

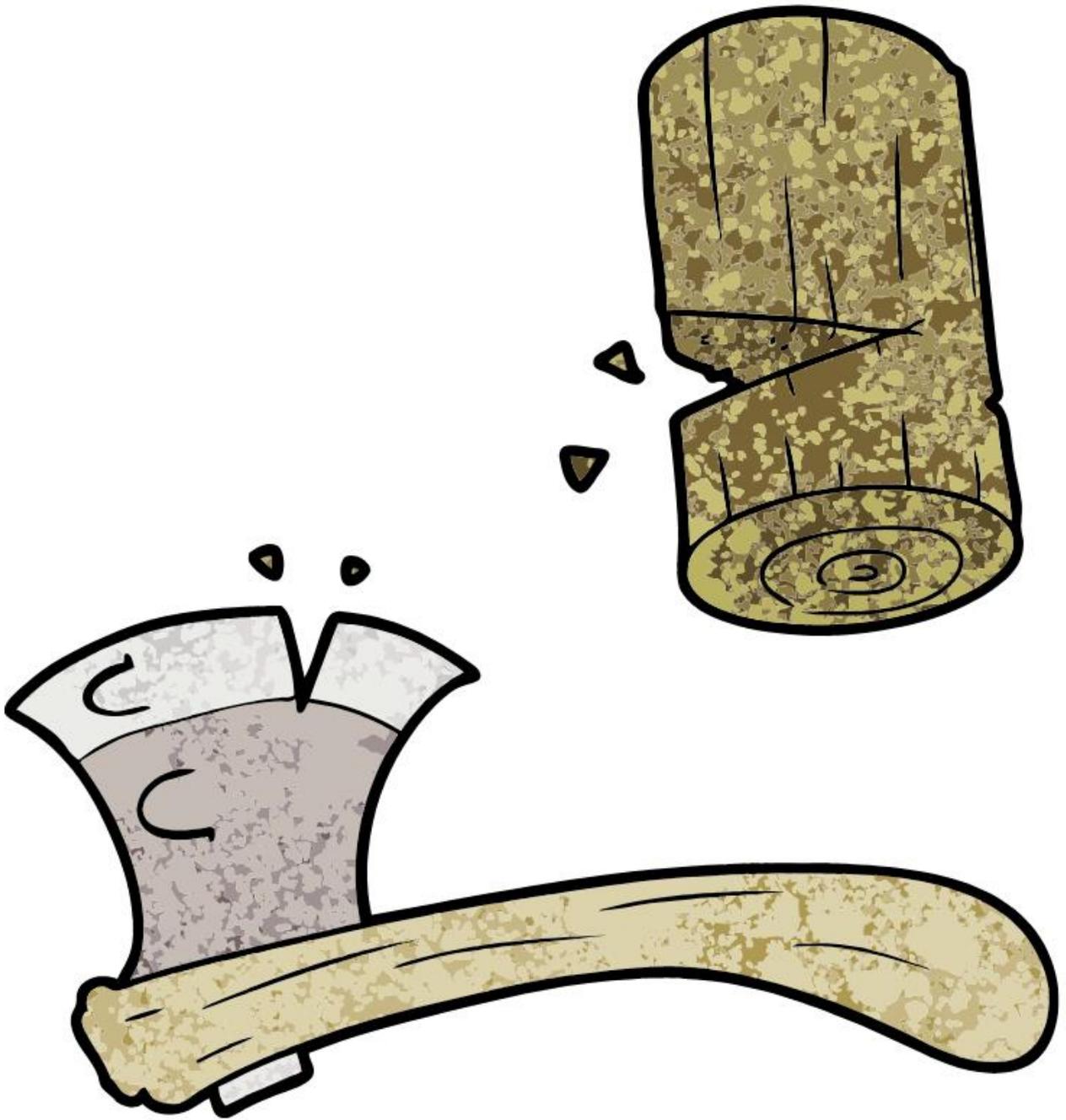
Ask: What to do?

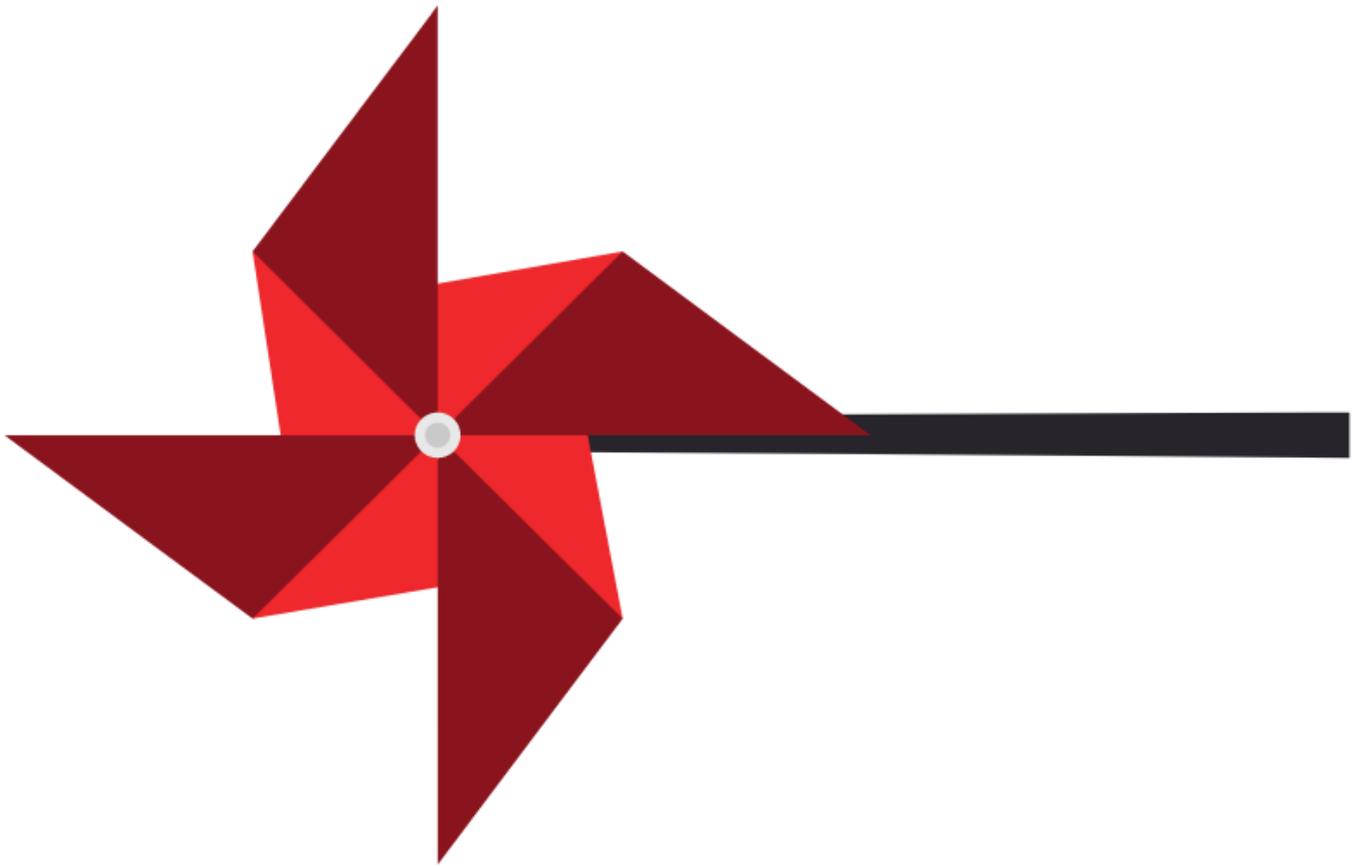
Tell: In the Bible story Abram and Lot separate. In the video the father looks for a solution which means that they can stay together.

Ask: Which is better? Is there a way that Abram and Lot could have stayed together?

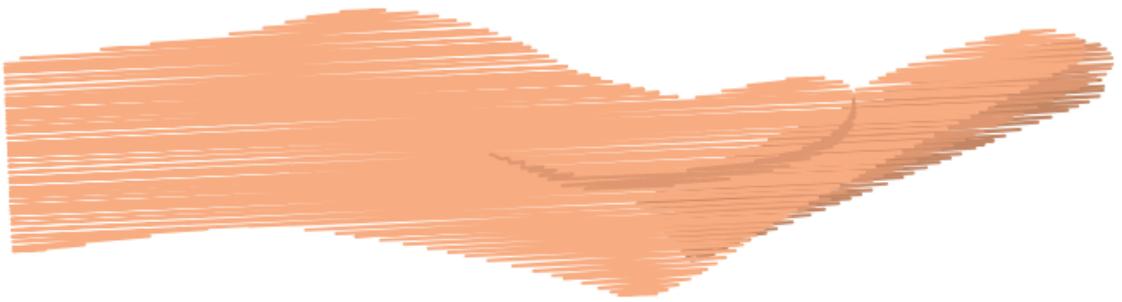
What can we learn from this video?

What does it teach us about how we use wood and trees, raw materials and energy?





Giving



Taking