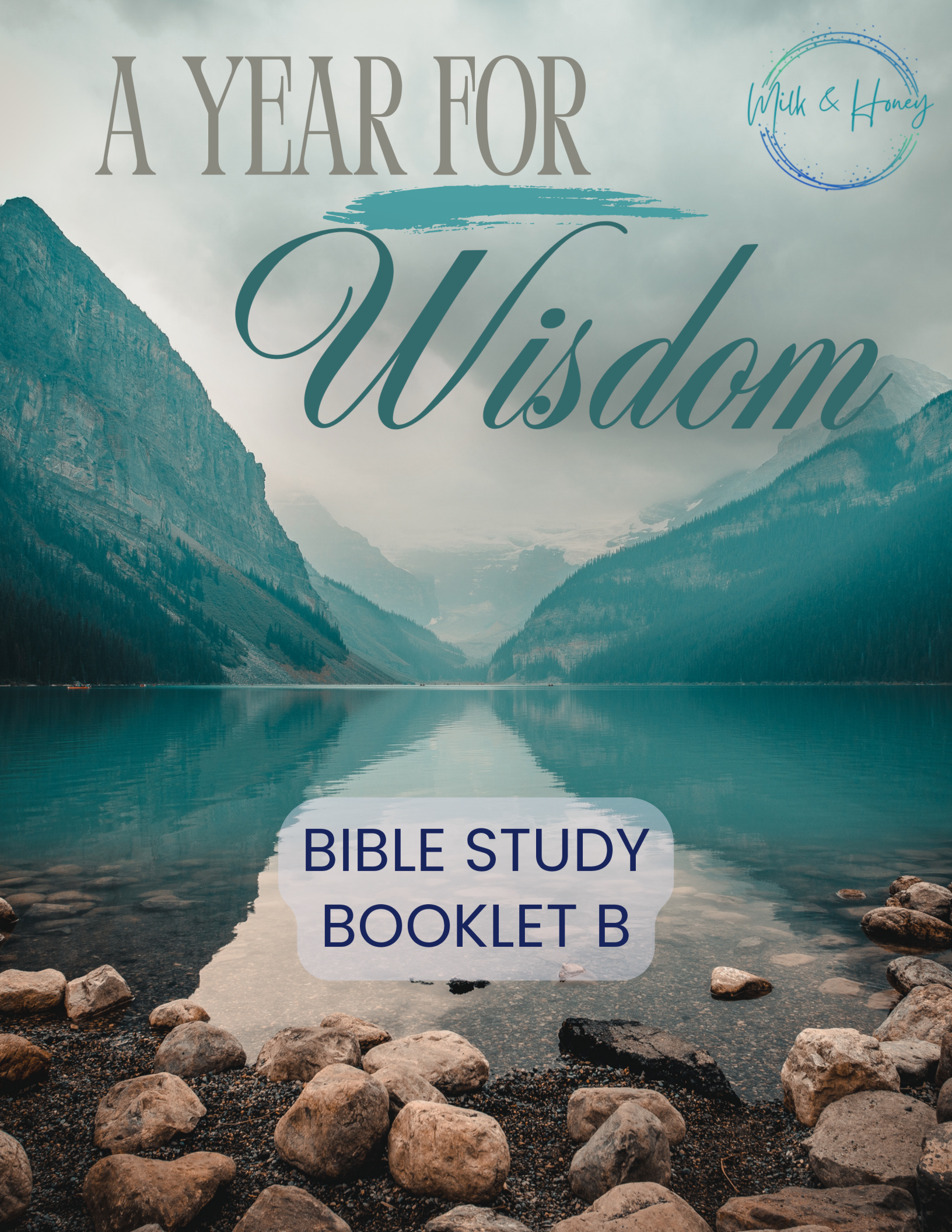




A YEAR FOR



Wisdom

BIBLE STUDY
BOOKLET B

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Bible Verse: James 1:5

"If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you".

Notes For Parents

Bible Study Booklets A and B are a compliment to the Middle School / Teens and Adult Studies.

The Bible reading and discussion points are the same, but the answers are single words / drawings or activities.

Very young children will learn a lot from being in the room while the family discusses biblical principles, while being occupied with their own activity when the older members of the family are writing down their answers.

You may like to give younger children, just the pages for that nights study rather than the whole booklet. Young children can learn to sit and listen as the bible passages are read and then to add their answers to the questions that are asked.

Keep these pages in a file or folder, as some you will need for more than one night.

If your child is not much of a drawer/colourer, a great idea is to have some play dough, paint set or other material, that they can create the scenes with.

It is also recommended to have a special set of colours/textas/pens that are only used for family bible study.



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Week 1: The Value of Wisdom

Day 1 – Study Questions:

James 1:5

"If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you".

1 – Write down a list of times when you find it hard to make good choices.

2 – What are the feelings someone might have when they don't want to ask God for wisdom? Talk to your family about why you circled those ones.

shy happy embarrassed

sleepy afraid worried

prideful confident lonely



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3 – Draw a picture of yourself praying for God’s help with a hard situation you are in. Tell you family about it.



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Day 2 – Study Questions:

"How much better to get wisdom than gold, to get insight rather than silver!" (Proverbs 16:16)

1 – Cut out the words on this page and glue them into the table on the next page. Which words describe worldly wealth and which describe spiritual wisdom?

If you need to, ask your parents what each word means.

grace

faith

excess

money

light

truth

peace

greed

materialism

riches

patience

humility

power

fame



Worldly Wealth

Spiritual Wisdom

2 – Wy do you think that wisdom is more valuable than money?



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3 – How does becoming wiser help us to become better people and make better choices?

Day 3 – Study Questions:

"Blessed are those who find wisdom, those who gain understanding."
(Proverbs 3:13)

1 – Why do you think finding wisdom makes someone happy?



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3 – Draw a picture of someone who you think is wise. Write some words around them that describe why they are wise



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Week 2: Attitude in Gaining Wisdom

Bible Verses:

Proverbs 3:5 - "Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding."

Proverbs 9:10 - "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding." ()

Proverbs 11:2 - "When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom."

Day 1 - Study Questions:

"Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding." (Proverbs 3:5)

1 - Answer these questions:

You see your friend drop their pencil and it rolls under the cupboard. What would God want you to do?

Your mum asks you to wash your hands for dinner. What would God want you to do?

You really want another cookie. But there is only one left and it is for our sister. What would God want you to do?



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2 – Sometimes it is hard to do what we know God would want. Can you think of 3 things that we can do, that help us to grow our trust in God?

1

2

3

3 – Draw a picture of you doing one of these things.



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Day 2 - Study Questions:

"The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding." (Proverbs 9:10)

1 - What do you think "fear of the LORD" mean?

2 - We can learn more about God by talking to someone we trust, and asking them questions. Write down 3 people who you can ask questions about God.

1

2

3

What is one questions about God, that you could ask them?



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3 – Read these two sentences to you parents. Then colour and decorate the second sentence.

{Worldly knoweledge teaches me to think about myself, take the biggest cookies and that money is more important than anything else.

SPIRITUAL
KNOWLEDGE

teaches me to have

PATIENCE

tell the TRUTH, and

LOVE GOD

above everything else.

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Day 3 – Study Questions:

"When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom." (Proverbs 11:2)

1 – What do you think humility is and how can we practice humility?

2 – How do you think being prideful stops us from getting to know God?



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3 – Here are some thoughts that someone might think. Read the thoughts and colour the ones that show unhealthy pride in **RED** and the ones that show healthy humility in **GREEN**.

I'd really like to be captain, but if someone else gets chosen, I will be happy for them.

If the judges don't agree that my painting is the best, they are all wrong.

I didn't make this mess. but I'll help mum clean up with a smile anyway.

It's ok to ask for help when I don't know something.

I should get the bigger slice of cake, I'm more important than my brother.

My friend has a sore leg. I'll walk slower to be with them, instead of rushing to get there first.

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Week 3 – Actions that Lead to Wisdom

Bible Verses:

Proverbs 19:20 – "Listen to advice and accept discipline, and at the end you will be counted among the wise."

Proverbs 23:12 – "Apply your heart to instruction and your ears to words of knowledge."

Proverbs 13:20 – "Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm."

Day 1 – Study Questions:

"Listen to advice and accept discipline, and at the end you will be counted among the wise." (Proverbs 19:20)

1 – What kind of person is good at listening to wise advice?



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2 – Have a look at the list below. Draw a line to the bucket that each one belongs in.



It comes from someone I trust.

It damages other people.

It pushes me away from God.

It is based on Scripture.

It motivates me to do better.



It comes from some who I do not trust.

It encourages other people.

What are some examples of Good (Wise) Advice and Bad (Unwise) Advice that you have heard?

Good (Wise) Advice

Bad (Unwise) Advice.



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3 – Why do you think that listening to Wise advice draws you closer to God?

Day 2 – Study Questions:

"Apply your heart to instruction and your ears to words of knowledge."
(Proverbs 23:12)

1 – What do you think it means to "apply your heart" to instruction?

2 – What things can you do that will help you remember and apply what you learn?



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3 – Why might someone struggle to truly listen to "words of knowledge"?

4 – Why is persistence important in gaining wisdom? (Persistence is determination to keep doing something until you get it right)

Day 3 – Study Questions:

"Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm." (Proverbs 13:20)

1 – Think about your closest friends. If one of them told you to do something, would you do it? Why?



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2 – Do you think your friends as wise? What would a wise friend be like?

3 – What are some things that could happen if you followed Bad (unwise) Advice from a friend?

4 – Discuss with your family how you can choose wise friends without being mean to others.



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Week 4 - When Wisdom is Gained

Bible Verses:

Proverbs 2:12 - "Wisdom will save you from the ways of wicked men."

Proverbs 14:8 - "What makes a person wise is understanding what to do."

James 1:5 - "If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you".

Day 1 - Study Questions:

"Wisdom will save you from the ways of wicked men." (Proverbs 2:12)

1 - Why do you think it is a good idea to become more and more wise?

2 - Peer Pressure is when a group of other people try and convince you to do something. This can be good or bad.

A group of friends might be encouraging you to do something a bit scary (but wise), like read your poem in front of the class.

Or a group of friends might be encouraging you to do something dangerous (and unwise), like throw rocks at the duckings.

How can wisdom help you to know what to do when you have peer pressure?



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3 – Here is a sentence about the difference between Wisdom and Knowledge:

Knowledge is just information that we learn, but Wisdom is how we use that information to make good choices in life.

Read this sentence to your family and then write it out in your own words.

4 – Make a list of warning signs that wisdom tells us “keep away!”

eg. when someone tells us to do something that they do not do themselves



Day 2 – Study Questions:

"What makes a person wise is understanding what to do." (Proverbs 14:8)

1 – Sometimes there is more than one 'right' or 'wise' thing to do. Have a look at the situations below. Draw a line to the 'right' things you could do. colour in green the thing you think is the wisest thing to do. Colour in the picture.

You call out to your friend. "Hey, Mike. Your apple rolled off the bench."

You start laughing and calling out: "Mike, your apple's all dirty now! Ha ha!"

You walk over to your friend, bend down and pick up the apple and hand it to him saying, "Hey Mike, this just rolled off the bench."

You pretend you didn't see the apple fall.



You notice a friends apple rolls off the bench, but you friend did not see it.

You walk over to your friend and tell him his apple rolled off the bench.

You nudge the friend sitting next to you and start whispering how clumsy Mike is.

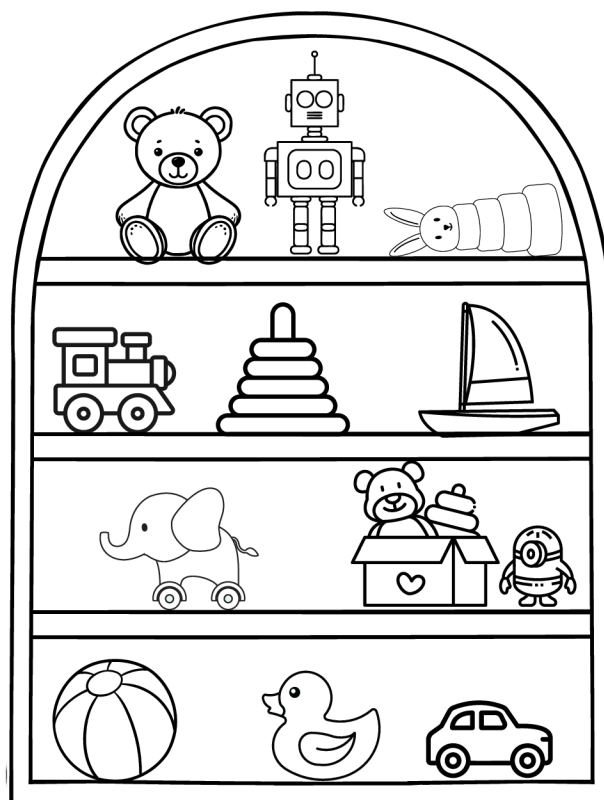
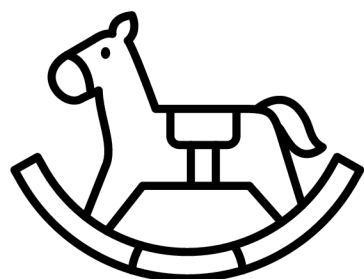


You walk in, get the Teddy and pass it to your sister.

You walk in and ask your sister if she would like you to get the Teddy for her.

You call out to her and suggest she stands on her rocking horse to reach.

You tell her to wait a minute, you'll come and get it down for her.



You see your little sister trying to get her Teddy off the top shelf of the toy cupboard.

You stand in her doorway laughing about how short she is.

You tell her to get the little stool mum got for her so she could reach that shelf.

You tell her to just climb the shelves like a ladder.



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2 – When there is more than one 'right' action to a situation, how do you know which one is the wisest?

3 – Why is it sometimes hard to do the right thing, even when you know what it is?

Day 3 – Study Questions:

James 1:5

"If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you".

1 – Write down one thing you have learned with month about Wisdom.



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2 - Make a list 3 areas of your life, that you would like to have more of God's Wisdom. Finish these sentences:

Dear God, please help me to have more of your wisdom when...

Dear God, please help me to have more of your wisdom when...

Dear God, please help me to have more of your wisdom when...

4 - One the next page, make a list of 2 - 3 things you are going to do each day to continue to grow in Godly Wisdom. Tell your parents what they are, so they can help you remember them. Pin this somewhere where you will see it each day.

Some suggestions:

- Pray each morning and ask for wisdom for an event happening that day.
- Read a few verses from my Bible each day to learn more about God.
- Talk to an adult about something that happened that day and discuss the possible actions that could have been taken and what would be wisest.
- Write a prayer each night and put in beside you bed asking for wisdom for an activity, or situation happening the next day.



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Things I am going to do each day to
continue to grow in Godly Wisdom.

I am going to talk to _____
every day and tell them what I am
learning.





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