

2 Timothy 2.¹⁻⁷

be strong!



did you watch any of the Olympics?

There were a *lot* of strong people there!

Mark with an **X** on the map where the Olympic Games were held.



How many different sports can you see in the picture above? Write them down in the box.

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Here's today's Bible passage

You'll see from the start of tonight's passage that Paul was urging his younger colleague, Timothy, to ..

be strong!

That's really what the whole passage is about. Why Timothy need to be strong: and how you get to be strong.

Read

2 Tim.2.¹⁻⁷

You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.

²And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others.

³Join with me in suffering, like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. ⁴No one serving as a soldier gets entangled in civilian affairs, but rather tries to please his commanding officer.

⁵Similarly, anyone who competes as an athlete does not receive the victor's crown except by competing according to the rules.

⁶The hardworking farmer should be the first to receive a share of the crops.

⁷Reflect on what I am saying, for the Lord will give you insight into all this.



the 'domino effect'

Paul wanted something a bit like the 'domino effect'.

You know what happens when you line up each of the domino tiles in a row – and then topple the first one into the second the 'momentum' from the first one topples the second one onto the third, and so on, from one tile on to the next, right down the line.

Have a look at v.2 again

Paul

".. the things you have heard from me .."



Timothy

".. entrust to reliable people .."



Reliable people

".. who'll be qualified to teach others also .."

others



Paul wanted to make sure that the message God's given us about Jesus kept on being passed on from one person to the next: in that way the whole world would get to hear about Jesus!

That's what Jesus had told his followers they were to do – to take the message to all people, everywhere!

3 pictures

Passing on God's message is an important job!

It's God's message after all, so it needs to be **handled with care**.

Paul uses 3 different pictures to help Timothy understand what this job was going to involve.

Look at vv.3-6 again to see what the 3 'pictures' are which Paul uses. Write the answers in the boxes



vv.3-6

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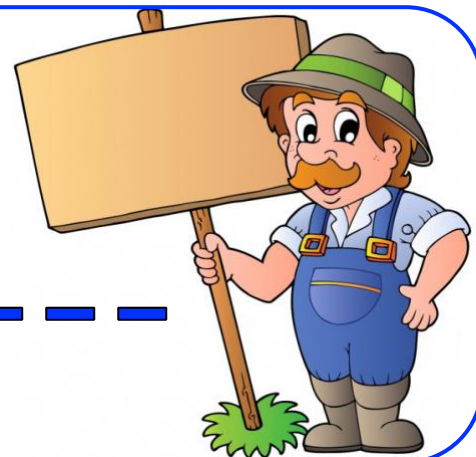
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3 lessons

Paul used the 3 pictures to help Timothy understand what would be involved in passing on the message to others.

See if you can work out what lessons Paul wanted Timothy to learn from each 'picture'.



Fill in the blanks in the boxes with the 3 lessons to be learned!



1.

Letters: P, L, N, M, M, E, Y, E, U, R, D, O, S, A, G, O, C, C, O, I, N, I, F, F, E, R

Connections: P-L, L-N, N-M, M-M, E-Y, Y-E, E-U, U-R, R-D, D-O, S-A, A-G, G-O, O-C, C-C, O-I, I-N, N-I, F-F, E-R

2.



Letters: O, B, H, E, T, Y, E, R, E, L, U, S, E

Connections: O-B, B-H, H-E, T-Y, Y-E, R-E, L-U, U-S, E

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A Prayer



Think about what you've been learning in today's worksheet.
Now try praying this prayer (or making up your own prayer!)

Thank You, Lord Jesus, that You make us strong!

I don't always *feel* very strong at all! In fact, when I look around at other people I think they're much stronger and faster and cleverer than me!

It's great to know that You want me as Your friend and that You've promised to help Your people serve You well.

That's what I want to do. Every day!

But I need You always to help me.

ALIVE!

Help me to listen well to what You're saying to me through the Bible.

Please help me to follow the rules like a good athlete...

... and to work hard like a good farmer making sure there's a good harvest at the end of the day.

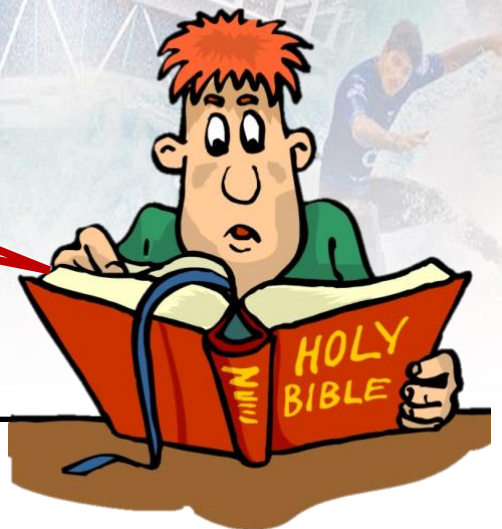
Thank You that You've given me the job of passing on Your message to others – please help me to do that well



Today's verse for you to try and remember!

**"You then, my son, be
strong in the grace that is
in Christ Jesus"**

2 Timothy 2.1



A WORDSEARCH

about FARMING

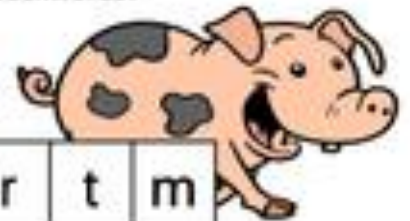
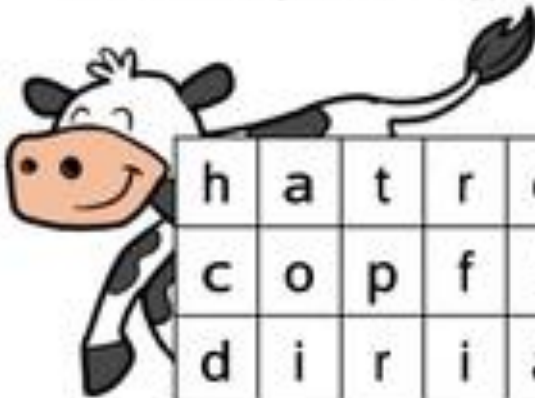


Farm Animal Word Search



Directions: Circle the farm animal words hidden in the puzzle.

The words are spelled vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and even backwards!

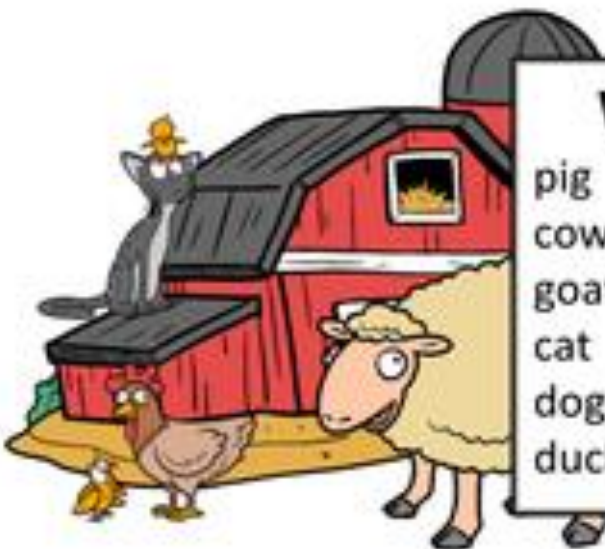


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Word Box:

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|------|---------|-------|
| pig | chicken | sheep |
| cow | rooster | goose |
| goat | turkey | mouse |
| cat | rabbit | |
| dog | horse | |
| duck | donkey | |



now try this one ..

It's a lot harder! Noah was a 'farmer' – and he was also a 'soldier' serving the Lord!

Read his story in Genesis 6-9

Noah's Ark Word Search

X M S B L Z P Q Q J Y T M M C J D Q K Y W D I H Y C
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P M L W P M J F O Q F C O V E N A N T J M R C H Y T
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H Z Z T L A L D D O D K H L J M E G I B U K G K V R

Animals

Bible

Cattle

Covenant

Dove

Flood

Forty Nights

Genesis

God

Gopher Wood

Japheth

Mount Ararat

Promise

Rain

Rainbow

Raven

Bonus Challenge

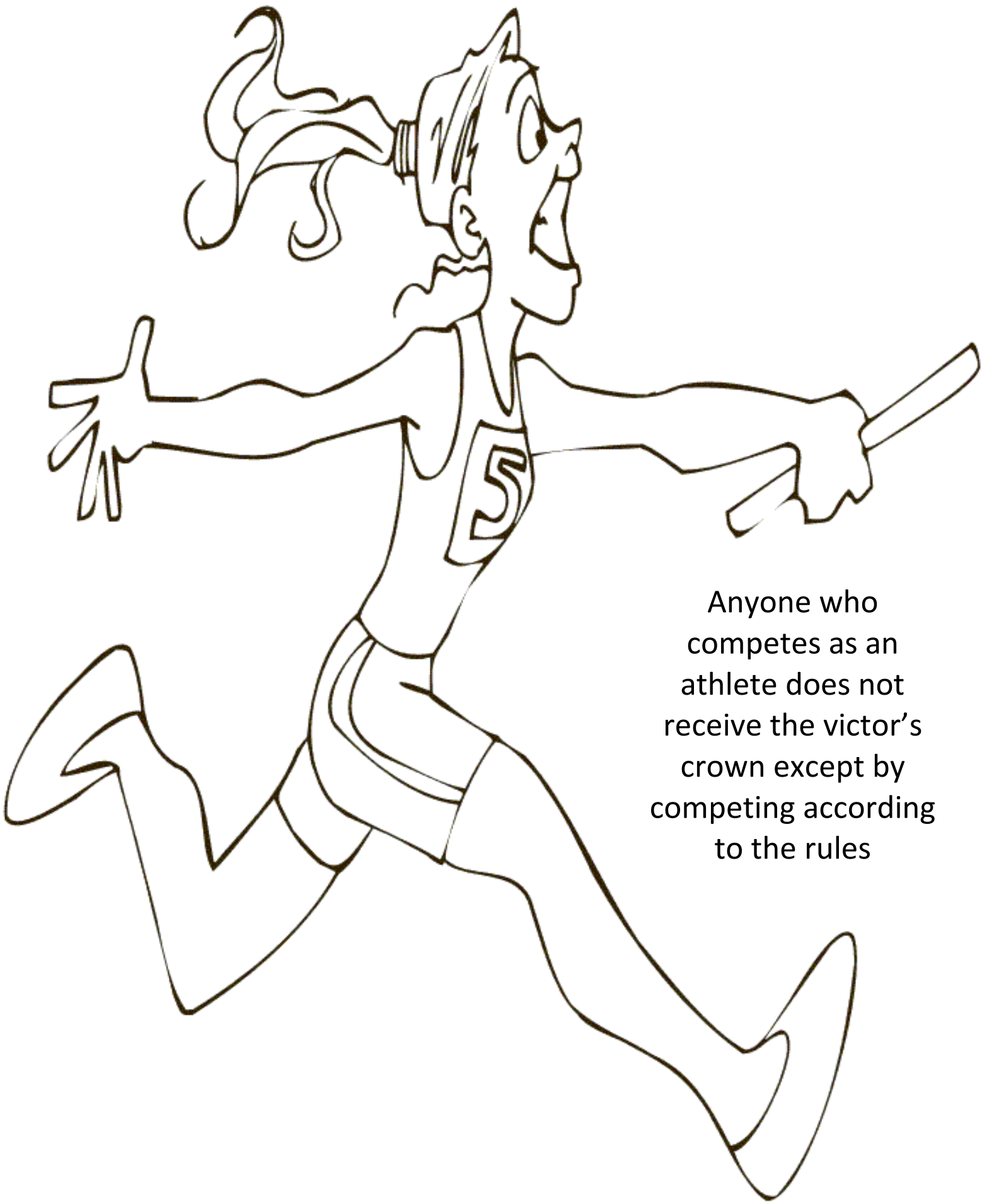
Find 4 other words with the same meaning as an 'ark'!

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

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