

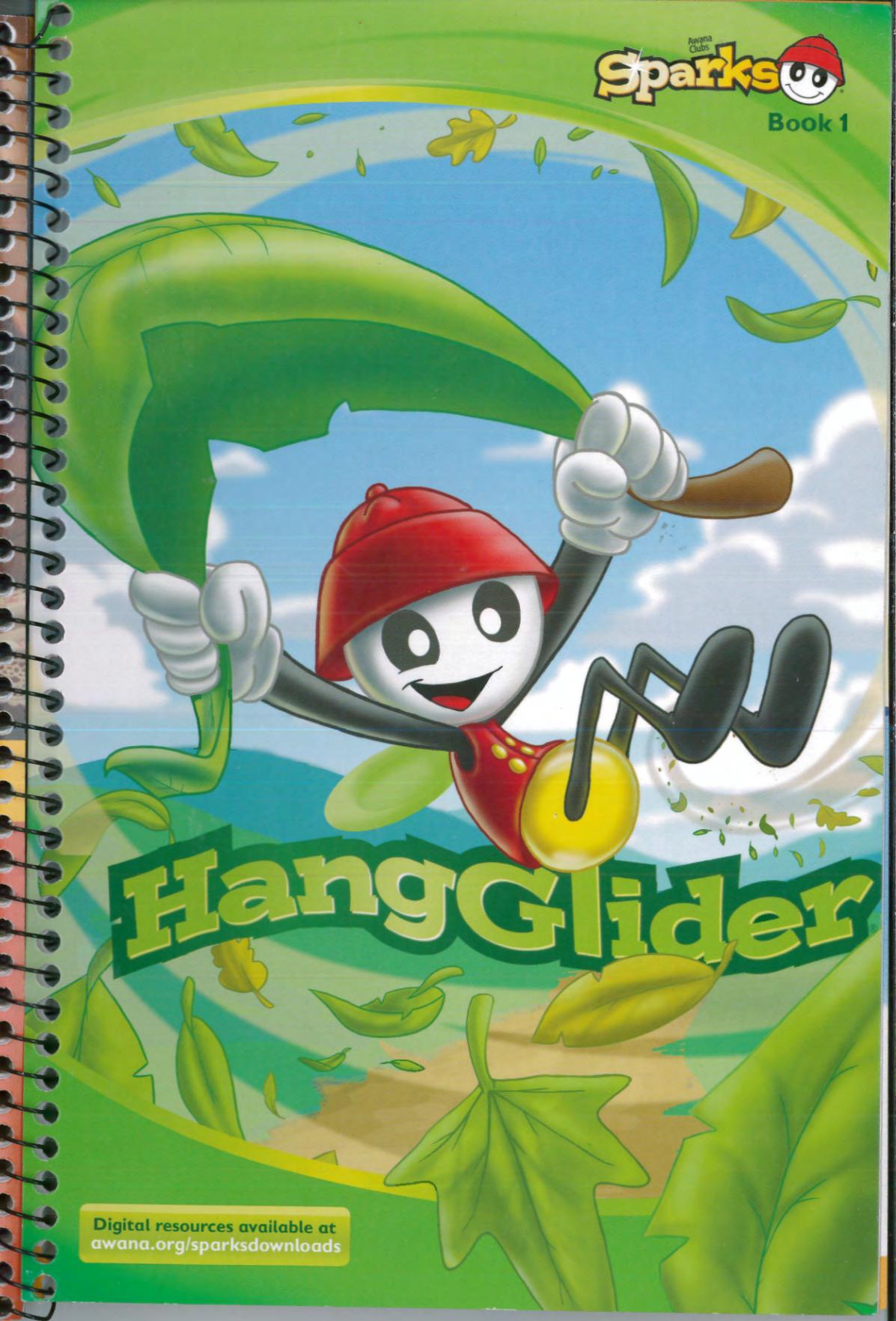
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P

is for Power.



Thanks, Mrs. Torres," said Chloe as she wrote the word *Savior* on her paper. "Do you know what the **P** stands for?" she asked.

"Yes, I do," said Mrs. Torres. "But I think it would be much more fun for you two to look up the verse in the Bible!"

"OK!" said Chloe and Joel together.

"Look up Psalm 147:5 and come back and tell me what you think the **P** stands for," said Mrs. Torres.

"Sounds like a good plan!" said Joel.

"We'll see you soon, Mrs. Torres."

"Bye," said Chloe.

The kids waved goodbye as they ran back to Chloe's house. Chloe found her Bible and she opened it to look for the verse.

"Where's the book of Psalms again?" Chloe asked.

"I think it's somewhere in the middle," said Joel.

"Here it is!" cried Chloe. "Psalm 147:5 says: *Great is our Lord and mighty in power ...*"

"Looks like the **P** is for Power!" said Joel.

God showed His power when He sent His Son, Jesus, to earth to be the Savior of the world.

God is powerful to save everyone who trusts in Jesus as Savior.



You say it!

P is for Power.
Psalm 147:5
Great is our Lord
And mighty in power ...

To finish this section:

- Tell your leader what "P" stands for.
- Say Psalm 147:5.

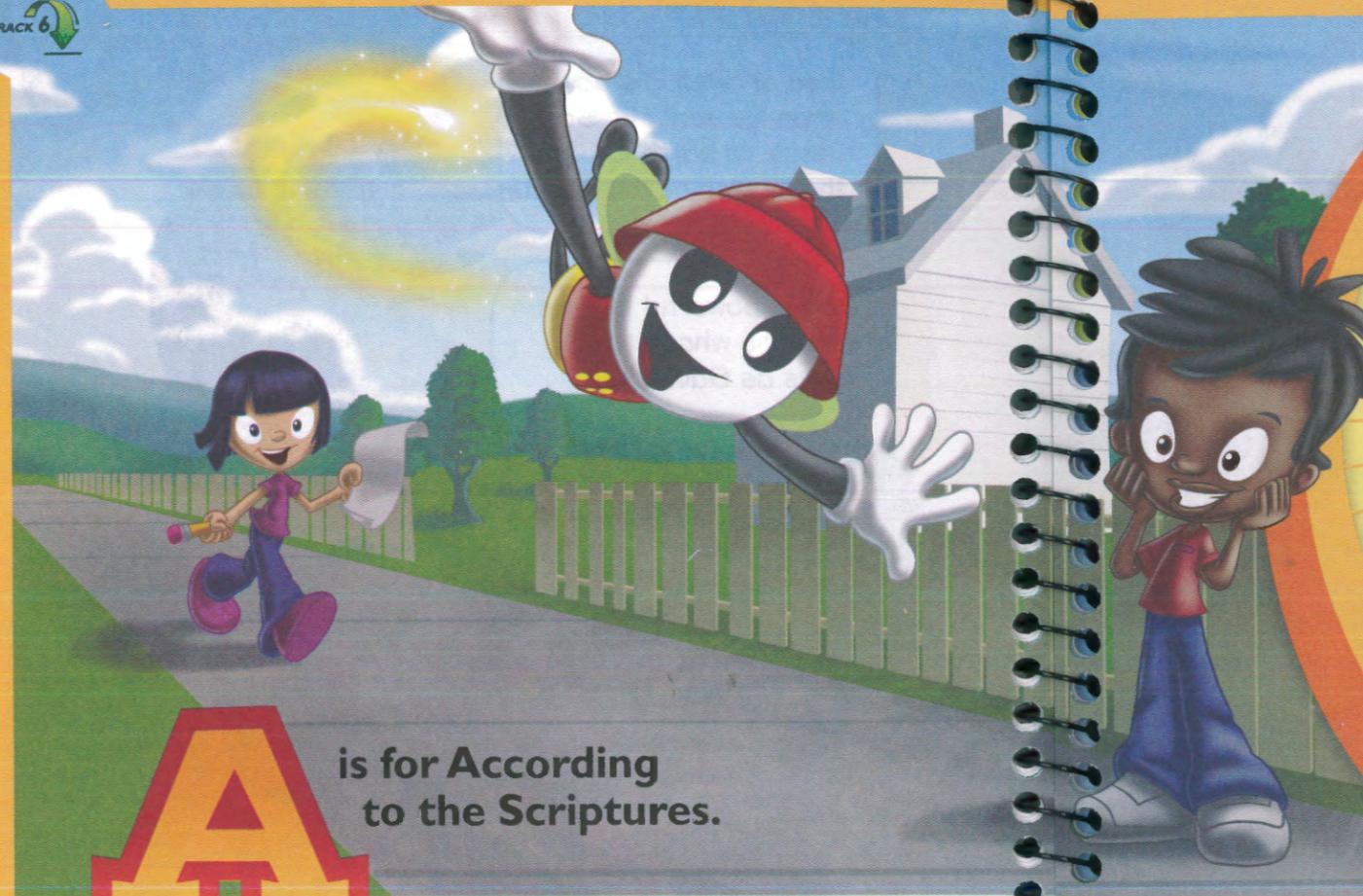
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A is for According to the Scriptures.

Chloe wrote the word *Power* on her paper. Joel carried the Bible as they walked back to Mrs. Torres' house.

Suddenly, Joel saw something in the sky. "What's that?" he asked, pointing his finger.

"It looks like some sort of flying bug! I bet it's our friend Sparky!" shouted Chloe.

"Hi, kids!" said Sparky. "Do you like my new light?" Sparky flew in circles above them.

"Cool!" said Joel.

"Yeah, that's so cool, I love it," said Chloe.

"Hey, Sparky, we need to find what the letter **A** means," said Chloe.

Sparky started to fly round and round. He shaped a big letter with his shiny, sparkling tail. Soon his letter lit up the sky. "Wow! Nice work, Sparky," said Joel. "It looks like a C."

"It sure does!" said Chloe.

"Hey, guess what! The Bible book of Corinthians starts with a C," said Joel.

You say it!



A is for According to the Scriptures.

1 Corinthians 15:3

... Christ died for our sins According to the Scriptures.

To finish this section:

- Tell your leader what "A" stands for.
- Say 1 Corinthians 15:3.

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The Bible is God's Word to us.

In the Bible, God said He would send Jesus Christ to earth to die for our sins. Jesus came to earth just as the Bible said.

"Yeah, I memorized 1 Corinthians 15:3 in Sparks," said Chloe. "Let's see ... I think it says that *Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures.*"

"That's it! The letter **A** is for **According to the Scriptures,**" said Joel, looking proud of himself. "And the word *Scriptures* is just another name for the Bible."

"Thanks, Sparky!" said Chloe.

"You're welcome. Bye," said Sparky.

(Chloe thanked Sparky even though she knew Sparky didn't REALLY know the answer.)

The words according to the Scriptures remind us that God always keeps His promises.



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R is for Raised.

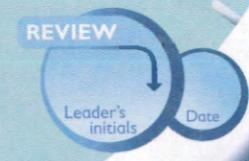
1 Corinthians 15:4

*That He was buried,
That He was raised on the third day
According to the Scriptures.*

To finish this section:

- Tell your leader what "A" and "R" stand for.
- Say 1 Corinthians 15:3 and 15:4.

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"OK, here's the plan," said Joel. "First, I need to make this light work."

Joel peered inside the lamp. "Hmm," he said. "Oh, I got it."

"I'll be right back!" he yelled. He ran out of the clubhouse.

A few minutes later, Joel came back holding a tiny battery. He fit it inside the lamp. Then he flicked on the switch. The lamp lit up.

"Hey!" shouted Chloe. "Let there be light."

"Next, we have to put this stuff on it to protect it." Joel opened a can of white paint. He brushed it all over the lamp.

"Whew, that smells!" said Jacob, holding his nose.

"OK," said Joel. "Now we just wait until this dries. Then tomorrow we can paint Sparky on the lamp."

The next day, Joel and Chloe sat at the table and painted. Jacob walked around the clubhouse with his new camera. *Click. Click. Click.*

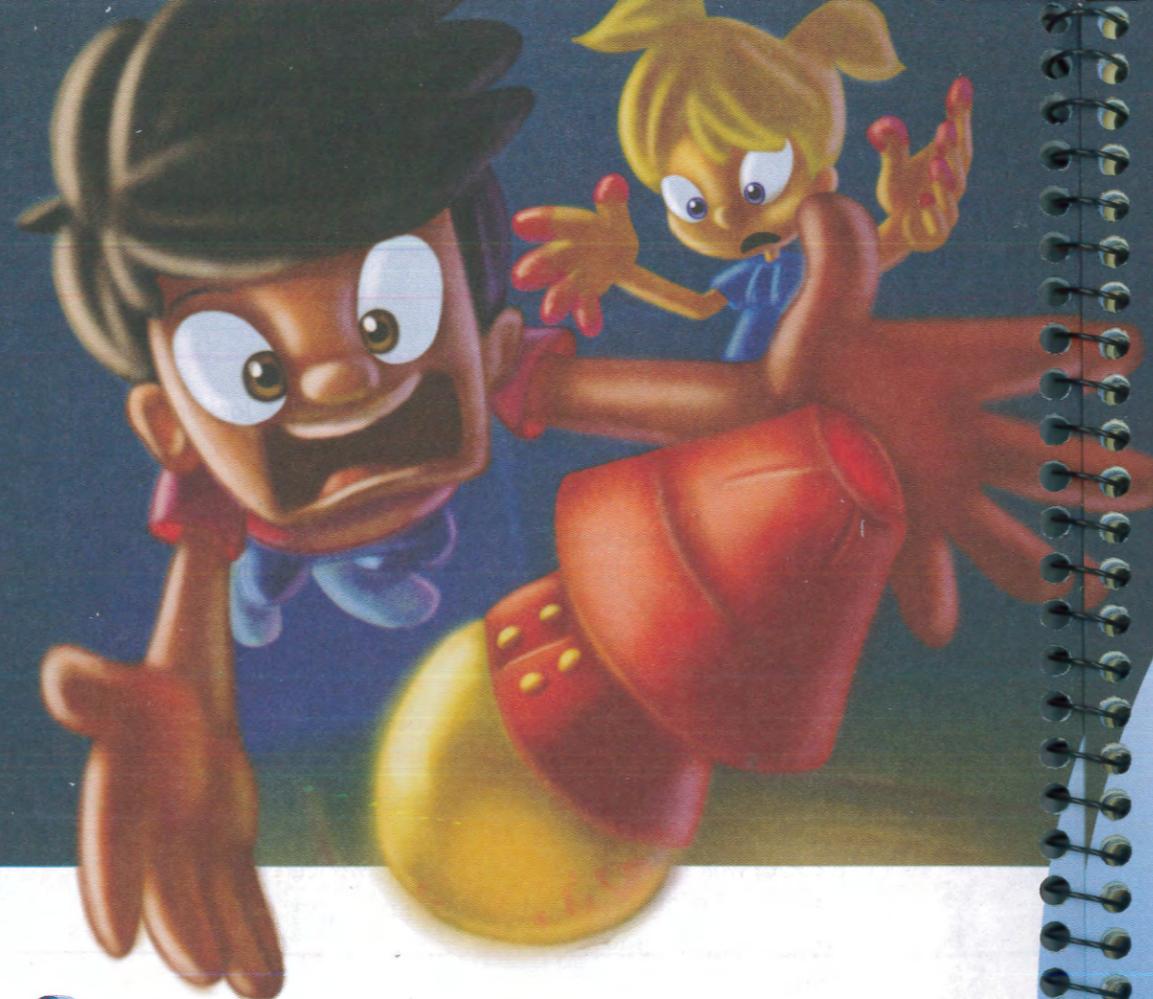
"Do you HAVE to take pictures right now, Jacob?" asked Chloe, upset. "We're trying to work."

Click. Click. Click. "Come on, just let me practice," whined Jacob.

Suddenly, the kids heard a knock on the door. "Who could that be?" wondered Joel.

"I hope it's not Mrs. Torres!" said Jacob.





Quick! Hide the lamp," whispered Chloe.

Joel set the lamp behind a big barrel of toys and games. Then Jacob opened the door.

"Hi, guys," called a little girl's voice. A pair of blond pigtails bobbed into the room.

"Emma!" said Chloe. Emma was her younger neighbor.

"What are you doing?" asked Emma. "Why are those paintbrushes on the table? Can I play with you? Do you have any new toys?"

Emma raced to the barrel and pulled out a jump rope. Suddenly she stopped. "Hey, what's this?"

She reached down and picked up the Sparky lamp.

"No, Emma!" yelled Joel. "Don't touch that! The paint is still wet and I don't want -"

Emma's fingers let go of the lamp. Joel dove to catch it, but it was too late.

SMASH! The lamp fell to the floor and broke into a hundred tiny pieces.

"Oh, no!" cried Chloe. "What are we going to do? Mrs. Torres' birthday is tomorrow."

Here are two more letters and verses from the HangGlider Rank. Now you're really flying!



You say it!



K is for Keep.

James 2:10

*For whoever keeps the whole law
And yet stumbles at just one point
Is guilty of breaking all of it.*



S is for Saved.

Acts 16:31

*... "Believe in the Lord Jesus,
And you will be saved ..."*

To finish this section:

- Tell your leader what "K" and "S" stand for.
- Say James 2:10 and Acts 16:31.

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Law – God's rules in the Bible

Stumbles – disobeys

Saved – not being punished for my sin



JOELLE GOT AN
ICE CREAM
SUNDAE  ON HER
HEAD
 AND HELPED OTHER
KIDS ATTEND
AWANA

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You say it!



A Hiding Place

First, I'll need a place to hide!" whispered Chloe in an excited voice. "Do you know any good spots?"

"How about inside the toy chest?" Jacob suggested.

"Too small! I'll never fit in there," Chloe replied. "Besides, I wouldn't be able to breathe!"

"What about under the table?" asked Joel.

"Under the table?" Chloe exclaimed. "My parents will see me for sure. That's not a good hiding place!"

"Well, silly, it **COULD** be if you put a tablecloth over the table!" said Joel in his know-it-all voice.

"Oh," said Chloe. "I didn't think of that."

Joel pulled the tablecloth off the shelf and draped it over the table. "See? You could have your own undercover fort. No one would see you, and you'd have plenty of room."

"I like it. Let's do it!" shouted Chloe.

"Wait a minute," said Jacob, worried. "Is hiding really such a good idea? I'm sure your parents will find you sooner or later. And they'd never leave without you!"

"You're right – they probably won't leave. But they'll have to stop to look for me. If they find me, I'll tell them the reasons why I'm sad to move. Maybe then they'll change their minds!"

Jacob shrugged his shoulders. "I guess we can't stop you," he said. "What can we do to help?"



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A Little Help From My Friends



“Now,” said Chloe, in her slightly bossy voice. “I need you two to help me get a few supplies.”

“Like what?” asked Jacob.

“I’ll need some snacks, because I might get hungry if I have to hide for a while,” said Chloe.

You know this verse! Say it with your eyes closed.



“I can bring you one of my extra sandwiches,” Jacob offered. “And if you’re lucky, I might even save a cookie for you too!” Jacob smiled.

“Great! Thanks Jacob,” said Chloe. “I’ll also need a flashlight and some games, in case I get bored.”

“You can borrow my yo-yo!” said Jacob, excitedly. “I can teach you the under-the-table trick.”

You say it!



K is for Keep.

James 2:10

*For whoever keeps the whole law
And yet stumbles at just one point
Is guilty of breaking all of it.*

To finish this section:

- Tell your leader what “K” stands for.
- Say James 2:10.

Law – God’s rules in the Old Testament

Stumbles – disobeys

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“Thanks Jacob, but I’d rather play with something else. Joel, can I borrow your little computer with all the games and music on it?”

“NO! I need that. Don’t you have your own games?”

“Yes, but mine are already packed. C’mon, Joel,” Chloe begged, “I promise to give it back!”

“OK, but you’d better not be hiding

for too long,” said Joel, with a serious face.

“Thanks, guys!” said Chloe, smiling. “I think we’re ready now. You bring the snacks and the games. I’ll bring a flashlight, my Sparks handbook and Sophie, my favorite doll. See you back here in two weeks!”

“OK, see ya! Bye,” called Joel and Jacob as they all ran out of the clubhouse.

