JOSEPH

Genesis 37

Jacob had twelve sons but he loved Joseph more than all his other sons. The brothers knew this and when Jacob gave Joseph a beautiful coloured coat, they were angry.

One day Joseph was sent by his father, to see how his brothers who were minding the sheep, were getting on. When they saw him coming the brothers planned to hurt him. They took off his beautiful coat and put him into an empty hole, a pit.

Later, some merchants rode by on camels and Joseph's brothers sold him to them. They took him to Egypt but God was looking after Joseph and kept him safe.

ACTIVITY

Glue pieces of bright material onto Joseph's coat, so that they overlap.

FURTHER SUGGESTIONS

Cut paper dolls from a strip of paper fan-folded into twelve, so that their hands are joined. Colour eleven brown, and one bright colours.

Using thin cardboard, make a sewing outline of Joseph's coat. Children sew around the edge using wool.

Cut some sheep (see back page for pattern) out of cardboard, and glue cotton wool onto them. Alternatively, make pipe cleaner sheep using cotton wool balls. Stand brothers amongst the sheep. "Walk" Joseph up to them, and act out the story.

Make a standing camel (see back page for pattern), using thin cardboard for the body, two spring clothes pegs for the legs, and a piece of wool for the tail.

