

# Baby Moses

“Miriam, we will have to hide our baby.”

“Why, Mum?” Miriam asked.

“The king says he will kill every baby boy who is an Israelite,” the mother answered. “We live in Egypt but our fathers and grandfather came from Israel many years ago.”

“Come now and help me hide our lovely baby. We must save him from the angry king. God said I must hide him.

They gathered reeds that grew beside the river and wove a strong basket. They floated it on the river among the reeds. It was so thick that the water could not get in the basket. Mother put the baby in the basket and hid it among the reeds.

“Miriam, please stay here and watch over our baby.”

Miriam stayed nearby and looked after her baby brother.

One day the daughter of the king came to swim in the river. She found the basket with the baby in it.

“Come and see!” she called to her maids. “There’s a little baby in the basket. I want to take him home and have him for my own. I’ll call him Moses.”



**Number of words:** 185

**Words correct:**

**Accuracy rate:**    %

(1 error = 99%; 2 errors = 99%; 3 errors = 98%; 4 errors = 98%; 5 errors = 97%; 6 errors = 97%; 7 errors = 96%; 8 errors = 95%; 9 errors = 95%; 10 errors = 94%; 11 errors = 94%; 12 errors = 93%; 13 errors = 92%); 14 errors = 92%)

**Comprehension:**

1. Who told Miriam's mother to hide the baby?
2. What did they make to put the baby in?
3. Who wanted to keep the baby and look after him as her own?

Comprehension score:  $\frac{\quad}{3}$