

BAHÁ'Í CHILDREN'S CLASS LESSONS

33. GRANDEUR

(adapted from Wellspring)

One of the Names of God is Grandeur. What does grandeur mean? Yes, it comes from the word 'grand' meaning - of the highest rank, most important, greatly admired.

“Greater is God than every Great One.” Bahá'u'lláh, Long Obligatory Prayer.

The whole wonderful universe is God's grand plan. He made the entire universe and every part is connected to every other part perfectly. We are all part of His grand design. We need to remember that each one of us is an important part of God's Grand Design. In the Hidden Words, Arabic 12 Bahá'u'lláh says: - **“O Son of Being! With the hands of power I made thee; and within thee I have placed the essence of My light.”** Just think of that – we have God's light in us and so we should shine out. God didn't put this light in us to be hidden. He wants us each to shine out in the community by being a real child of God. That means trying every day to do as God wishes. We need to be loving, kind, helpful and honest among many other virtues (good actions).

We can see God and His love in everything when we know God's greatness and see the grandeur of His creation.

GROUP A

Colour the picture of a garden full of God's creatures. (If some of the older children enjoy colouring, prepare photo-copies of the picture for them too.)

GROUP B

Choose five things in God's Grand Creation. Next to each write five other things that are connected to these.

GROUP C

Choose five things in God's Grand Design. Then for each thing write five connecting things and WHAT is the reason for the connection. For example you may write “banana”. The banana is connected to people because people eat bananas.

Those children in Groups B and C can colour the picture instead of the written work, or colour the picture after the written work.

ENDING THE CLASS

We praise and thank God for the Grandeur of His Creation. What do we understand by the word 'grand, or grandeur'?

Remind the children to tidy up by putting all the colours neatly away. Encourage the children to take their pictures home.

Ask one or two children to say a closing prayer.

GRANDEUR. (Adapted from Wellspring) All groups.

**All creatures, planets, plants, animals, and people
are part of one grand design**

Here is a garden full of many of God's creatures for you to color. Make it look very Grand.

