

Dreams

Word Forms:

- dream (n) I had a very strange dream last night.
Jennifer has a dream that she'll marry a tall handsome man and have four children.
- dream (v) I dreamed last night that I was a movie star and you were one of my fans.
- daydream (v) When students get bored in class they often daydream about other things.
- dreamer (n) Greg's a dreamer. He always has some new impossible plan or fancy idea.

Related Words:

- vision (n) What's your vision for what your company will be like in ten years?
- visionary (adj) Helen is a visionary thinker. Her ideas are far ahead of her time.
- nightmare (n) I had a terrible nightmare last night. Someone was chasing after me with a big knife.
- plan (n) Do you have any big plans for your future?
- imagine (v) Can you imagine what life would be like without electricity?
- imagination (n) Children like to use their imagination when they play together.
- hope (v) Alan hopes to go to Europe some day.
- hope (n) What are your hopes for your children?
- ideal (adj) My ideal family would have two sons and two daughters.

Exercises:

1. James _____ to change jobs by the end of the year.
2. Do you _____ a lot when you sleep?
3. _____ that you're only five years old and I'm your father.

Questions:

1. Do you dream a lot at night? If you do, what do you usually dream about?
2. Do you have any dreams for your future? If so, what are some of them?
3. What kind of plans do you think God has?

Bible Readings:

1. "[God] wants all people to be saved and to learn the truth." (1 Timothy 2:4, God's Word)
2. "For God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not die but have eternal life." (John 3:16, TEV)
3. "We know that all things work together for the good of those who love God—those whom he has called according to his plan." (Romans 8:28, God's Word)
4. "Because of his great mercy [God] gave us new life by raising Jesus Christ from death. This fills us with a living hope, and so we look forward to possessing the rich blessings that God keeps for his people. He keeps them for you in heaven." (1 Peter 1:3-4, TEV)

Questions:

1. What does God want? (reading 1)
2. What plan did God carry out in order to save us? (reading 2)
3. What happens to those whom God has called according to his saving plan? (reading 3)

4. What kind of hope can we have since God raised Jesus from death? (reading 4) Where will God one day take all who believe in Jesus? (readings 2&4)