

THEME & PURPOSE

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The Great Journey of the Painted Wings

WISDOM

Trust God's guidance even when the path seems impossible.

preceptor reads aloud

DO THIS

► Read the passage carefully.

READ • read carefully — you will answer questions about this

- 1 Every spring, something wonderful happens in the sky above Meadowbrook Valley. Long-tailed travelers called warblers arrive from their winter homes far away. Nobody teaches them the way. Nobody shows them a map. Yet every year, they find their path across thousands of miles, guided by God's gift—an invisible compass in their hearts. This is migration, and it is one of nature's greatest miracles.
- 2 The warblers are small birds with feathers like stained glass. Yellow, blue, black, and orange paint their wings in beautiful patterns. In winter, they rest in warm lands where flowers bloom all year. But when spring arrives and the days grow longer, something inside them stirs. An ancient knowing calls them north, back to the place where they were born. Their tiny bodies hold endless courage.
- 3 Before their journey begins, the warblers eat and eat. They must grow strong for what comes next. Then one morning, with a flutter and a song, they launch into the sky. They fly for days without stopping. They cross wide oceans. They soar above mountains tall as clouds. Rain, wind, and cold test their strength. But they never give up. They trust in the invisible compass that God gave them. Scientists call this magnetic sense. We can call it faith.
- 4 At last, the warblers reach the green forests where wildflowers bloom. They land on the branches where they were born, some returning to the exact same tree every single year. Mothers and fathers build new nests. They sing their glad songs. The valleys fill with color and music. All winter, people in the southern lands look up and see the warblers arriving there too, completing their journey home. God's creation is never resting. It is

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READ (continued) • keep reading

always moving, always trusting, always finding its way.

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THE LESSON • what can we learn from this passage?

What happened?

What did the character learn?

What lesson can apply to me?

WHY DID THE AUTHOR WRITE THIS? • circle one

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ANSWER KEY

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What happened?

When spring comes and days grow longer, the warblers eat extra food to grow strong, then they fly for days and days across oceans and mountains, facing rain, wind, and cold, guided by an invisible compass God gave them

What did the character learn?

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What lesson can apply to me?

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