



God gives each of us different talents.  
How we use our talents matters.  
Our talents are a gift from God to use in  
serving God and other people.

Here is a list of some talents or gifts.  
Write ways to use them on the lines.



Musical Ability \_\_\_\_\_

A Scientific Mind \_\_\_\_\_

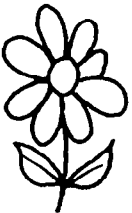


Mechanical Ability \_\_\_\_\_



Good Listening \_\_\_\_\_

Public Speaking Ability \_\_\_\_\_



A "Green Thumb" \_\_\_\_\_

Athletic Skills \_\_\_\_\_



Cooking Know-how \_\_\_\_\_

Gentleness \_\_\_\_\_



Artistic Ability \_\_\_\_\_

# The Parable of the Talents\*

Use the code to read the story below.

♥ = A	⚙ = E	★ = I	☆ = M	📎 = Q	▲ = U	○ = Y
⊕ = B	□ = F	✈ = J	✕ = N	▮ = R	✱ = V	✱ = Z
⇨ = C	✂ = G	✓ = K	⊕ = O	◆ = S	◇ = W	
⊗ = D	■ = H	✕ = L	◐ = P	* = T	● = X	

Jesus said the kingdom of God is like a man who ...



... was a unit of money worth more than \$1,000.



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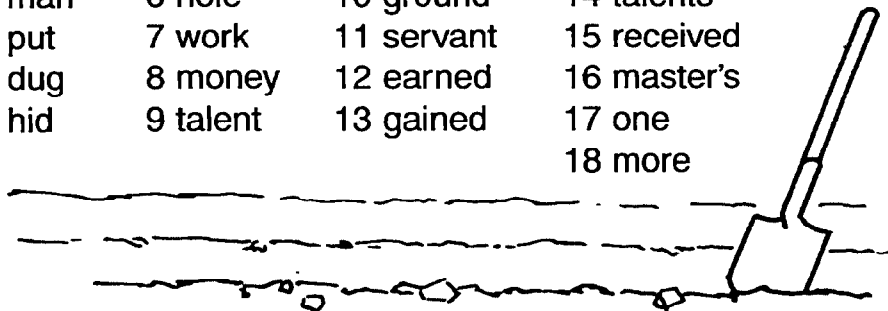
The parable continues ...

Find the answer to each math problem.  
Then write the word beside that number on the line.

The  $\frac{\quad}{4 \div 2}$  who  $\frac{\quad}{3 \times 5}$  5  $\frac{\quad}{7 + 7}$   
 $\frac{\quad}{2 + 1}$  the  $\frac{\quad}{16 - 8}$  to  $\frac{\quad}{3 + 4}$  and  
 $\frac{\quad}{3 \times 4}$  5  $\frac{\quad}{2 \times 9}$ ! The  $\frac{\quad}{9 + 8}$  with  
 2  $\frac{\quad}{2 \times 7}$   $\frac{\quad}{8 + 5}$  2  $\frac{\quad}{9 + 9}$ . The  
 $\frac{\quad}{6 + 5}$  who had 1  $\frac{\quad}{3 \times 3}$   $\frac{\quad}{8 - 4}$  a  
 $\frac{\quad}{12 \div 2}$  in the  $\frac{\quad}{5 + 5}$  and  $\frac{\quad}{10 \div 2}$   
 his  $\frac{\quad}{8 + 8}$   $\frac{\quad}{2 \times 4}$ .

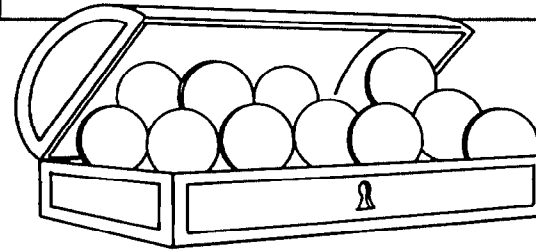
Answers...

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|-------|----------|------------|-------------|
| 2 man | 6 hole   | 10 ground  | 14 talents  |
| 3 put | 7 work   | 11 servant | 15 received |
| 4 dug | 8 money  | 12 earned  | 16 master's |
| 5 hid | 9 talent | 13 gained  | 17 one      |
|       |          | 18 more    |             |



The master returned and called his servants to settle his accounts. He was not happy with the servant who hid his money in the ground. He took the "talent" back and sent the servant away. But he was very happy with the 2 servants who made their talents grow.

Use the code to read what he said to them...



A 1 D	B 2 C	E 3 H	F 4 G	I 5 L	J 6 K	M 7 N	O
R 5 T	S 6 U	V 7 Y	W 8 X	Z	Q		

"  $\frac{\quad}{6}$   $\frac{\quad}{2}$   $\frac{\quad}{3}$   $\frac{\quad}{3}$   $\frac{\quad}{1}$   $\frac{\quad}{4}$   $\frac{\quad}{4}$   $\frac{\quad}{2}$   $\frac{\quad}{2}$   $\frac{\quad}{4}$   $\frac{\quad}{4}$   $\frac{\quad}{1}$  and  
 $\frac{\quad}{2}$   $\frac{\quad}{1}$   $\frac{\quad}{3}$   $\frac{\quad}{5}$   $\frac{\quad}{2}$   $\frac{\quad}{2}$   $\frac{\quad}{5}$   $\frac{\quad}{3}$  servant! You have been  
 $\frac{\quad}{2}$   $\frac{\quad}{1}$   $\frac{\quad}{3}$   $\frac{\quad}{5}$   $\frac{\quad}{2}$   $\frac{\quad}{2}$   $\frac{\quad}{5}$   $\frac{\quad}{3}$  with a few  
 $\frac{\quad}{5}$   $\frac{\quad}{2}$   $\frac{\quad}{3}$   $\frac{\quad}{4}$   $\frac{\quad}{2}$   $\frac{\quad}{5}$  ; I will  $\frac{\quad}{4}$   $\frac{\quad}{5}$   $\frac{\quad}{5}$  you in  
 $\frac{\quad}{1}$   $\frac{\quad}{2}$   $\frac{\quad}{1}$   $\frac{\quad}{5}$   $\frac{\quad}{2}$   $\frac{\quad}{2}$  of  $\frac{\quad}{4}$   $\frac{\quad}{1}$   $\frac{\quad}{4}$   $\frac{\quad}{6}$   
 $\frac{\quad}{5}$   $\frac{\quad}{2}$   $\frac{\quad}{3}$   $\frac{\quad}{4}$   $\frac{\quad}{2}$   $\frac{\quad}{5}$  and  $\frac{\quad}{1}$   $\frac{\quad}{4}$   $\frac{\quad}{4}$   $\frac{\quad}{2}$   
 $\frac{\quad}{5}$   $\frac{\quad}{2}$   $\frac{\quad}{1}$   $\frac{\quad}{5}$   $\frac{\quad}{2}$  your master's  
 $\frac{\quad}{2}$   $\frac{\quad}{1}$   $\frac{\quad}{4}$   $\frac{\quad}{4}$   $\frac{\quad}{3}$   $\frac{\quad}{4}$   $\frac{\quad}{2}$   $\frac{\quad}{5}$   $\frac{\quad}{5}$ !"