

# Elijah

**You will need**

**2 narrators**

**1 cue card holder and 5 cue cards!**

**[BOOO]**

**[CLAP]**

**[OH NO!]**

**[YUM]**

**[CHEER]**

**Narrator 1:** The story of Elijah: A simple story of a man. A prophet. He trusted and obeyed God and finally he went to be with the Lord. The end. **[CLAP]**

**Narrator 2:** What do you mean, 'the end'? **[CLAP]** Stop clapping, it's not the end! **[CLAP]** That's not funny!!

**Narrator 1:** Well, I thought I would skip the uninteresting details.

**Narrator 2:** Uninteresting details? The story of Elijah is anything but uninteresting my friend. It begins with Elijah talking to the most evil king there had ever been in the land of Israel. His name was Ahab! **[BOOO]** God had stopped the rain and sent Elijah to tell Ahab that there would be no more rain until he said so.

**Narrator 1:** Well, maybe it is an interesting story. I'll give it a go. Next, because Ahab was angry with Elijah, God told him to go and hang out in a ravine, where ravens would feed him bread and meat in the morning and evening **[YUM]** and he could drink from the ravine's stream. Lovely fresh water.

**Narrator 2:** And that's exactly what happened. However, after some time the stream dried up. **[OH NO]** So God told Elijah to...

**Narrator 1:** ...travel to a place called Zarephath where he would meet a widow who would supply him with food and water. **[YUM]**

**Narrator 2:** And it happened just as God had said. The widow was collecting sticks at the town gate. Elijah asked the woman

**Narrator 1:** 'Please can you fetch me some water and a piece of bread?' **[YUM]**

**Narrator 2:** Now, getting some water didn't seem to be a problem for the widow, but the bread, that was another matter. The woman told Elijah that she only had enough food for her and her son's last meal... then they were going to die! **[OH NO]** But, Elijah told the woman...

**Narrator 1:** 'Don't worry. God will look after you. Get me some bread and I promise you that your food will not run out.' **[CHEER]**

**Narrator 2:** And it didn't. There was enough food for the 3 of them for the entire time that Elijah was staying there. But, there came a time when the widow's son, unfortunately, became very ill and died. **[OH NO]**

**Narrator 1:** The widow became so angry with Elijah for letting her son die. But Elijah, unfazed by this, went to where the boy was and stretched himself out over his body 3 times whilst calling to God for the boy's life to return to him.

**Narrator 2:** And the boy's life did return to him. **[CHEER]** He was alive and well.

**Narrator 1:** Sometime later, in the third year of no rain in the land, God told Elijah to go and meet the evil King of Israel, King Ahab. So he did.

**Narrator 2:** A small competition was about to begin. A competition between Elijah's God, the one true God, **[CHEER]** and Ahab's god, a false, imaginary god that couldn't do anything, called Baal **[BOOO]**. Can you guess who was going to win?

**Narrator 1:** Elijah had a dead bull, which he placed on an altar, and King Ahab also had a dead bull, which he placed on another altar. The competition was for both Ahab and Elijah to pray to their God and see which one sent fire to burn up their bull.

**Narrator 2:** And so it began. Ahab and the followers of the false god, Baal, **[BOOO]** began praying. They prayed through the morning.

**Narrator 1:** Nothing happened.

**Narrator 2:** They prayed through lunch.

**Narrator 1:** Nothing happened.

**Narrator 2:** They prayed through the afternoon.

**Narrator 1:** Nothing happened.

**Narrator 2:** They prayed all the way to the evening and nothing happened because they were too silly to realise that their god wasn't real.

**Narrator 1:** Then it was Elijah's turn. After filling 4 huge jars with water and pouring them on his bull 3 times (that's 12 jars of water), Elijah prayed to God asking for him to show the people watching who the true God was.

**Narrator 2:** Only seconds passed and the bull burst into flames. The scorching hot fire engulfed the bull, the altar, the water and everything around it. **[CHEER]**

**Narrator 1:** All the people fell to their knees and worshipped the Lord God.

**Narrator 2:** Meanwhile, the people who were the crazy followers of the false god, Baal, ran away... and were then captured and put to death.

**Narrator 1:** In the distance, flashes of lightening could be seen and clashes of thunder heard, as rain was finally on its way. The end. **[CLAP]**