Lesson 27

The Pharaoh of Egypt Has Two Dreams

The Dreams of the Seven Cows and the Seven Ears of Corn

Genesis 41: 1- 46; John 6:63; Job 27:3; Isaiah 2:22; Ephesians 4:23; John 4:24; Amos 3:7; Psalms 104:4; Hebrews 1:13-14

Joseph was seventeen (17) years old when he was sold into slavery by his brothers. As a slave in Egypt, his master's wife told a lie which sent Joseph to prison. At the age of twenty-eight years old, Joseph interpreted the dreams of the butler and the baker.

(Recite- Now, the Pharaoh of Egypt had two (2) dreams). He dreamt of seven (7) fat cows coming out of the river. Then, seven (7) very skinny cows came and ate the seven (7) fat cows. When he looked at the seven (7) skinny cows, they were still skinny. The Pharaoh of Egypt then awoke from his first dream. As he fell asleep the second time, he had another dream. This time he saw seven (7) good ears of corn on one stalk. All of a sudden, seven (7) skinny, ears of corn came up in the place of the (7) good ears of corn. When the morning had come, the spirit of the Pharaoh's mind was troubled very much.

Now, there are different types of spirits! God is a Spirit as are the angels. God's words are spirit! Even the air or breath you breathe is a type of spirit! For the Pharaoh, the spirit that troubled him were the thoughts in his head or mind! (Recite- The spirit of your mind are the thoughts of your mind)!

Because the spirit of the Pharaoh's mind was troubled, he called for people he believed could interpret his dreams. (Recite- No one could tell the Pharaoh what his dreams meant)! This dream was like a mystery, which had a secret! Upon hearing of the Pharaoh's dreams, (Recite- the Pharaoh's butler remembered Joseph)! The butler told the Pharaoh that (Recite- a Hebrew slave interpreted his dream and that of the baker). The Pharaoh then sent for Joseph out of the dungeon which too is a prison or a jail. They gave Joseph a shave and a change of clothes. (Recite- Joseph now thirty (30) years old, stood before the Pharaoh of Egypt). Joseph told the Pharaoh that (Recite- only God can ease the thoughts of the mind which is the spirit of the mind). (Recite- When your thoughts no longer bother you, you have what is called, 'peace of mind)! Joseph then tells the Pharaoh that (Recite- the dreams of the seven (7) cows and the seven ears of corn means the same thing)! Joseph continues telling the Pharaoh that (Recite- God is showing the Pharaoh what He is about to do)! Yes! God had told Joseph the answer to the Pharaoh's dreams! Joseph then tells the Pharaoh that (Recite- the seven fat cows and the seven (7) good ears of corn means the same thing). (Recite- The land of Egypt will grow a lot of food for seven years). This is known as the seven years of plenty! (Recite- The seven skinny cows and the seven thin, ears of corn means that the land of Egypt will have seven years of famine). (Recite- A famine exists when there is not enough food to feed everyone)! (Recite- Without food, the people and the cattle will starve and die)! Joseph further tells the Pharaoh that because he had two dreams about the same thing, it will surely happen very soon. Because Joseph had become very wise and discreet, (Recite- The Pharaoh made Joseph the overseer of the land of Egypt)! Just like that, by the power of God, Joseph the Hebrew-Israelite went from a slave, to overseeing Potiphar's house, overseeing all the prisoners in prison, and now, overseeing and ruling over all of the land of Egypt. (Recite- Joseph was a slave for thirteen (13) years)! They used (Recite- one-fifth of the land for food storage while the seven years of plenty lasted. They will use the stored food when the seven-year famine arrives. (Recite- The Pharaoh admitted that the spirit of God is in Joseph)! What spirit was in Joseph? The words or the answers to the Pharaoh's dreams that God had given to Joseph! Although the dreams were given to the Pharaoh, (Recite- God gave Joseph the words to speak). For God only reveals His secrets or answers to His prophets. (Recite- God's words are spirit). So, by the power of God, all the land of Egypt was saved by Joseph. Joseph, a child of Israel, who went from a slave to a ruler over all the land of Egypt.

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Lesson Review Questions

1. When the Pharaoh fell asleep, what happened to him?

(A) The Pharaoh got sick **(B) The Pharaoh had two dreams** (C) Nothing

2. What did the Pharaoh see in his first dream?

(A) Seven skinny cows eat seven fat cows (B) Seven camels (C) 7 Alligators

3. What did the Pharaoh see in his second dream?

(A) Seven apples (B) Seven oranges **(C) Seven good ears of corn and seven thin ears of corn**

4. In the story, the spirit of the Pharaoh's mind was troubled! What does this mean?

(A) The Pharaoh's thoughts bothered him (B) He saw a ghost (C) He was hungry

5. Since no one could tell the Pharaoh about his dream, what did the butler tell the Pharaoh?

(A) He knew a Hebrew slave that could tell him of his dreams (B) I'm sorry to hear that (C) He did not know of anyone that could tell the Pharaoh his dream

6. What was is it that Joseph told the Pharaoh that only God can give him?

(A) A car (B) A house **(C) Peace of mind**

7. What did both of the Pharaoh's dreams mean?

(A) Nothing **(B) Seven years of plenty and seven years of famine** (C) Seven years of war and seven years of peace

8. What is a famine?

(A) When there's not enough food to feed everyone (B) A flood (C) Snow

9. What will happen to all of the people and the cattle if there is no food?

(A) Everyone will starve and die (B) Everyone will be okay (C) Only the cattle will die

10. After telling the Pharaoh the meaning of his dreams, what did the Pharaoh do to Joseph?

(A) Sent Joseph back to prison (B) Sent Joseph home **(C) Made Joseph the overseer and ruler over Egypt**

11. How much of the land of Egypt was used to save food for storage?

(A) All of the land (B) half of the land **(C) One-fifth of the land**

Bonus Question: How old was Joseph when he was sold into slavery? **Answer: Seventeen.**

Bonus Question: How old was Joseph when he told the Pharaoh the meaning of his dreams? **Answer: Thirty.**

Bonus Question: In the Pharaoh's dream, when the seven skinny ears of corn sprang up, what direction was the wind blowing? **Answer: East**

BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Reader: Please generate questions and help the children find the words. Using crayons, draw a line through each word found in the search word. Change colors for each word.

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SEARCH WORDS

1. CORN
2. COWS
3. DIE
4. DREAMS
5. FAMINE
6. OVERSEER
7. RAIN
8. SEVEN
9. SLAVE
10. SPIRIT
11. THOUGHTS
12. WORDS

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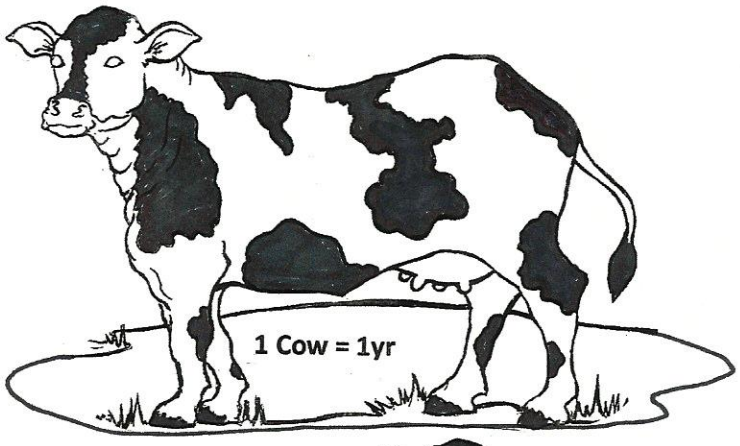
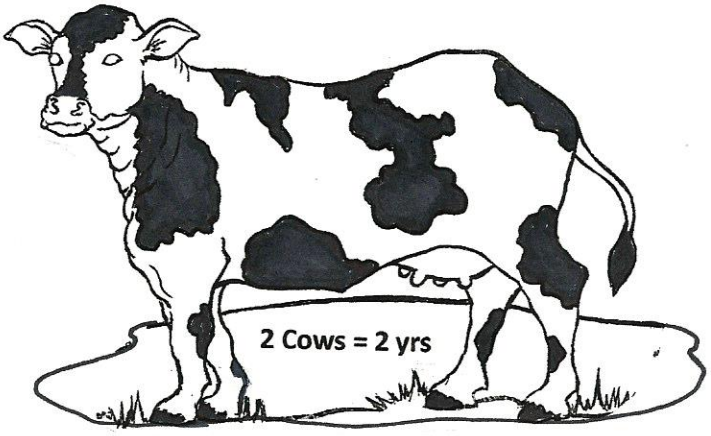
Dream 1

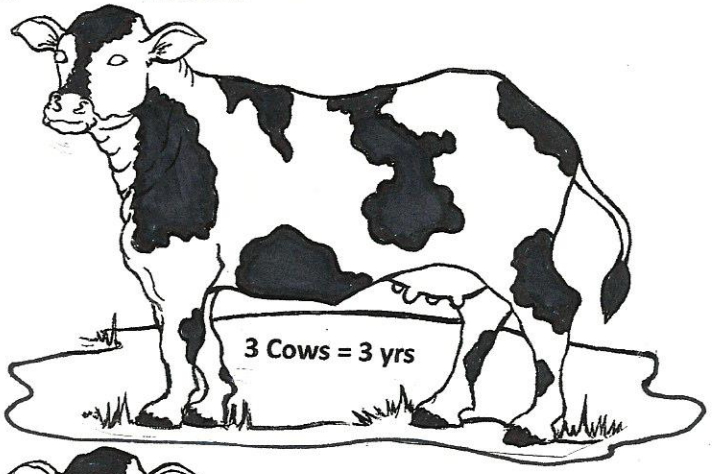
7 Fat
well-fed cows
came up <u>first</u>

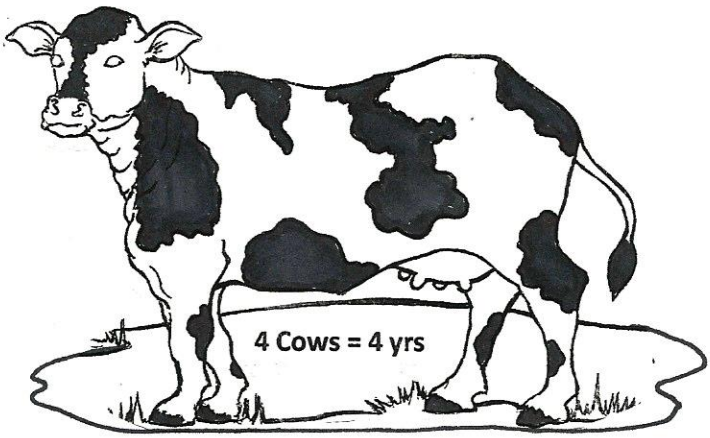
Each cow = 1 Yr

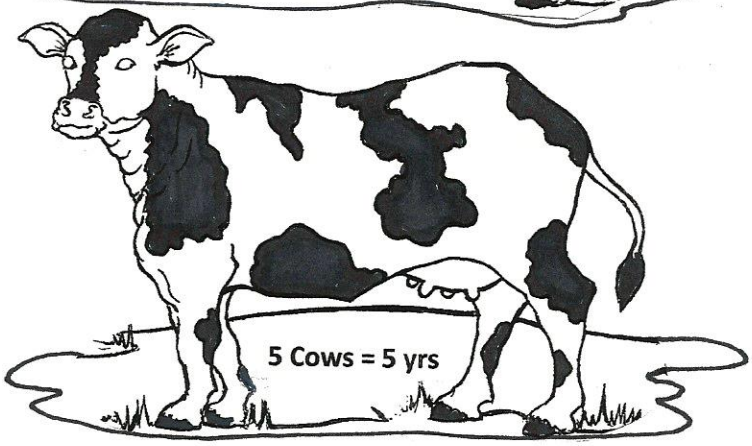
<u>Interpretation</u>
For 7years, the earth
will produce a
plentiful harvest
of food

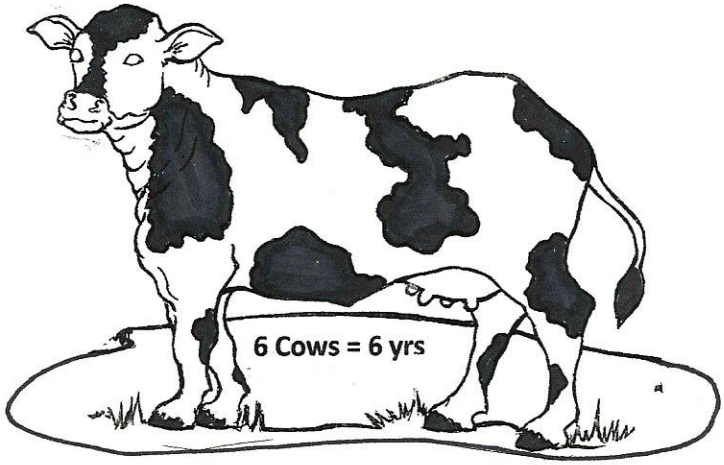


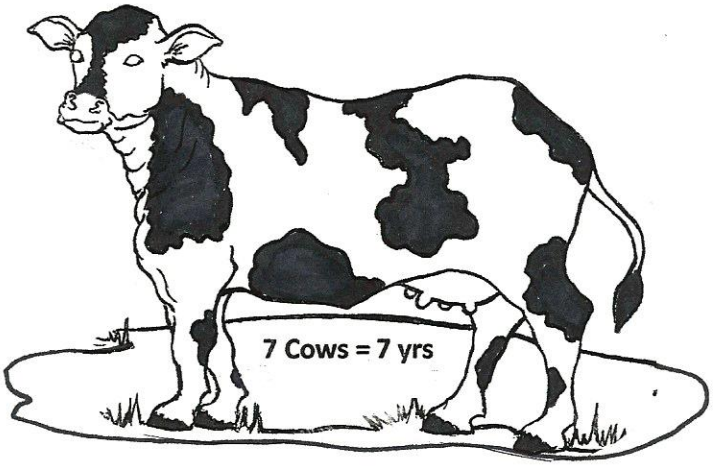












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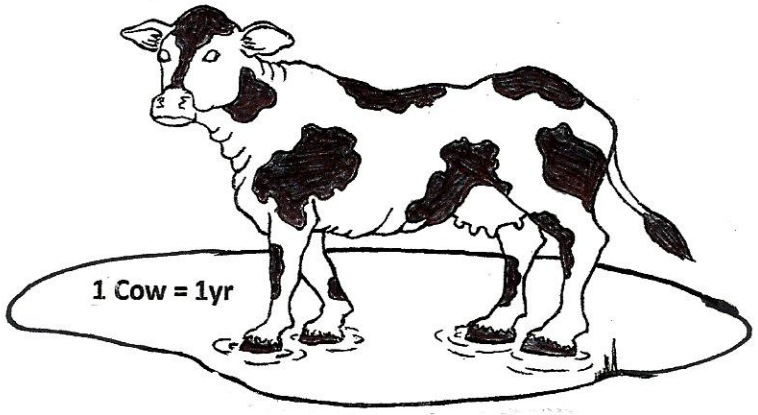
Dream 1

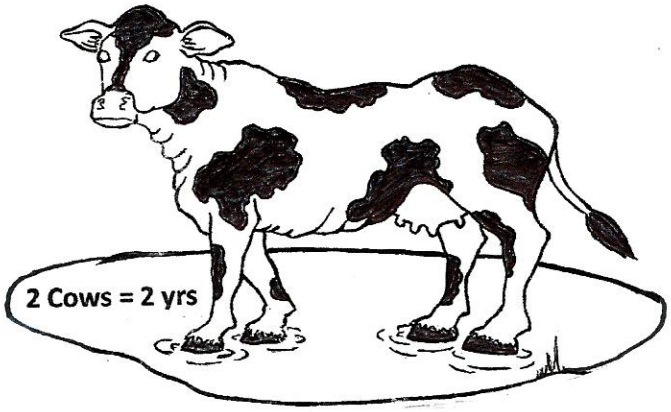
7 Skinny ill-looking cows came up <u>after</u> the 7 fat cows

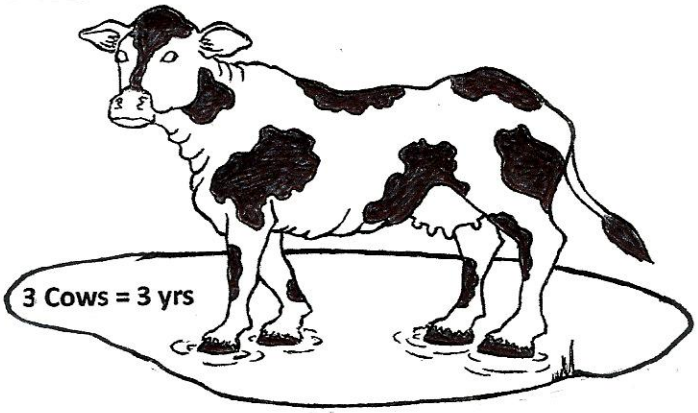
The 7 Skinny cows ate the 7 fat cows but remained skinny

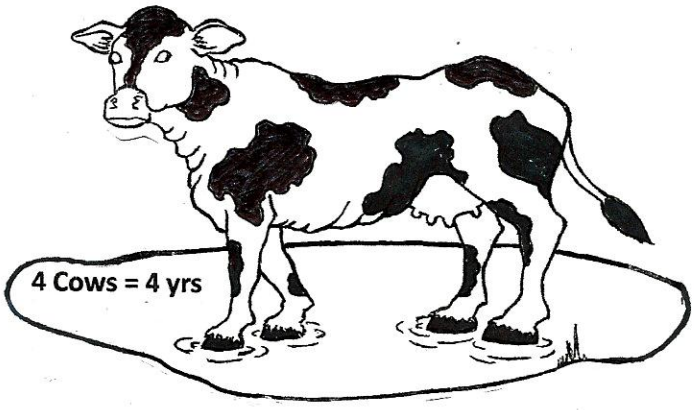
Each cow = 1 Yr

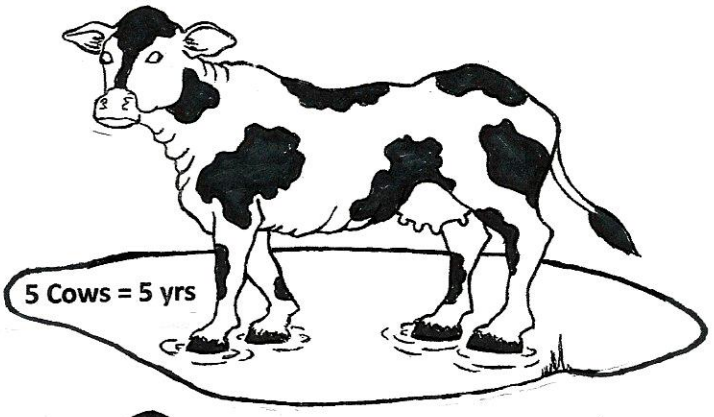
<u>Interpretation</u>
7 Years of Famine comes <u>After</u> the 7years of Plentiful Harvest

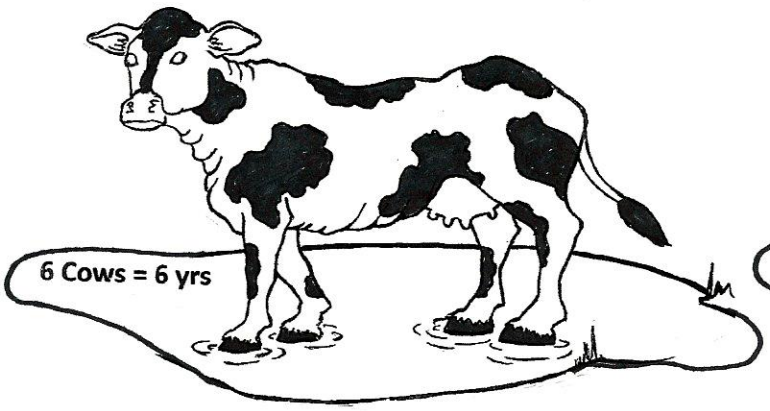


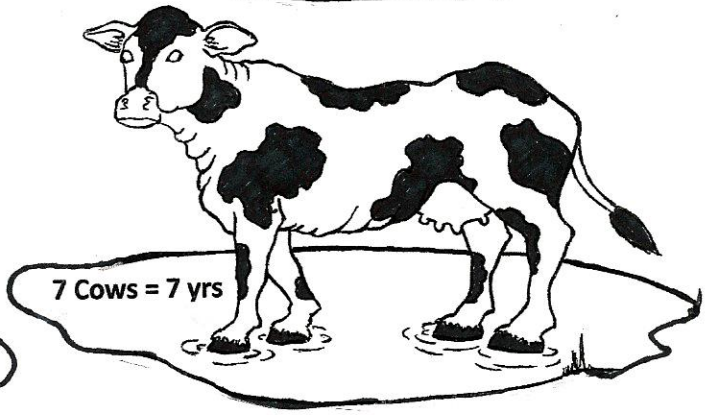












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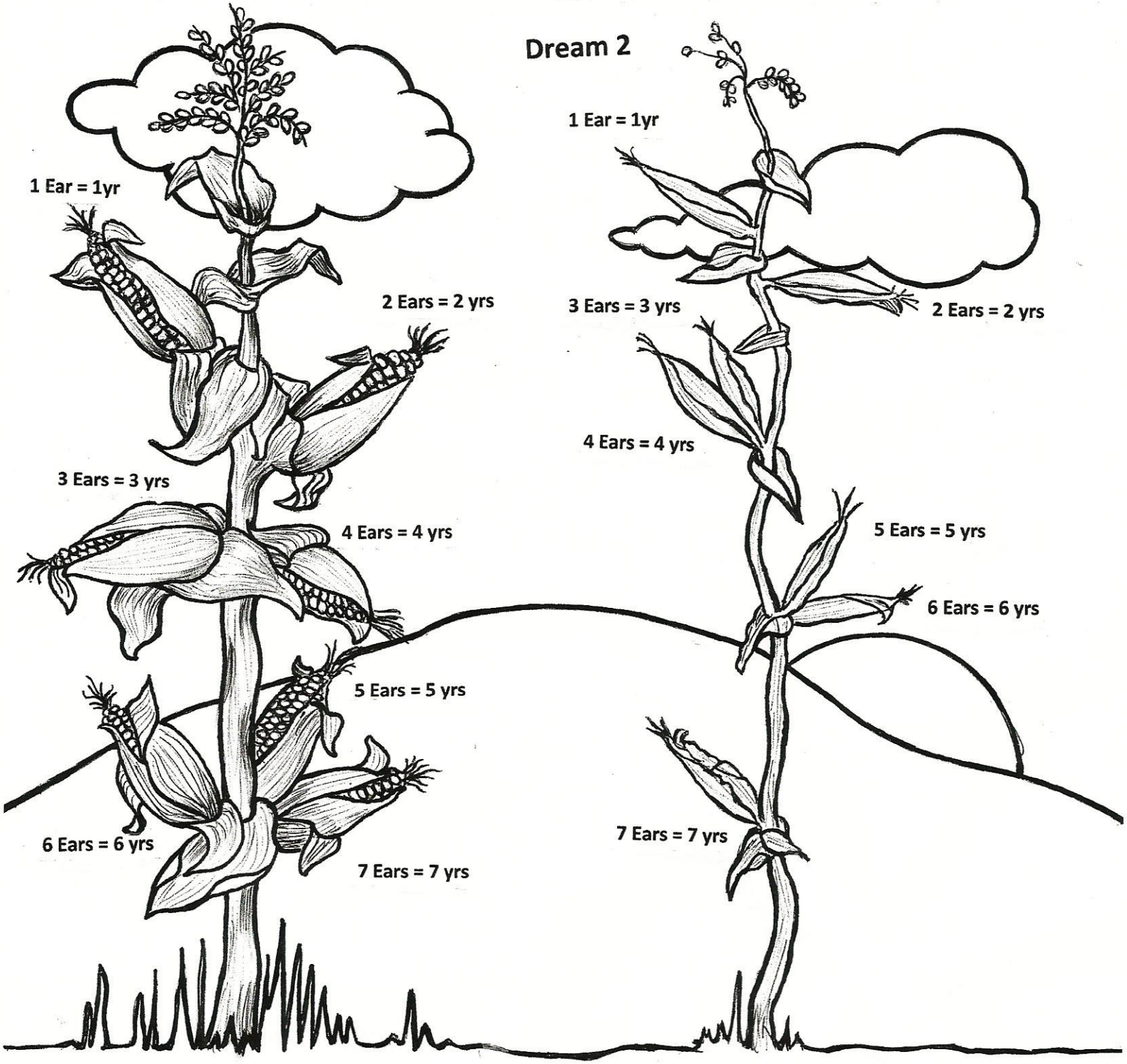

7-Good Ears of Corn came up <u>first</u>

<u>Interpretation</u>
For 7years, the earth will produce a plentiful harvest of food

Each ear of corn = 1 yr

7-Thin ears of corn came up <u>after</u> the 7 good ears corn

<u>Interpretation</u>
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