

NOAH THE ARKIVIST

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Now this is the story of Noah;
Bible tells us Lamech was his dad.
He lived at a time of great evil,
When all people were thoroughly bad.

*Noah steps forward.
A + beard joins Noah
B & C fight
D picks wallet from C's pocket*

This grieved the Lord God who had made them,
Who'd poured into them life-giving blood.
So he said of all He'd created,
"I'll wipe them out by sending a flood".

*God appears in pulpit - sad
God gestures*

God produces bucket

But Noah was found to be different;
Truly righteous and blameless was he.
So he and his family were chosen
To start off the Almighty's Plan B.

*Noah 'arrests' D, stops fight
& returns wallet to C
ABCD become family
God holds up 'Plan B'*

"Make an ark", said God to our hero.
"You will need to start chopping some wood.
It'll have an oil tanker's dimensions,
With a roof that will make it look good."

*Noah + ABCD start
Construction.
God turns scroll & reverses to
show plan of ark*

"Your ark must be thoroughly damp-proofed,
In a while it is going to rain.
Fill the ark with two of all creatures,
And its larder with plenty of grain."

*Pots & brushes
All look up, hold out hands
Get animals
Sacks*

When his ark was ready for launching,
No'h and his wife, they clambered aboard.
With his sons, that's Ham, Shem and Japheth.
Then, right on cue, it poured and it poured.

*Noah dons captain's hat
Noah gets in +ABCD*

Put up umbrellas

Forty days Bank Holiday weather,
With no let up – not even by night.
The water rose higher and higher;
Highest mountains were far out of sight.

*Buckets & spades
Torch
Look over edge of ark
Binoculars*

All on earth were swamped by the waters;
The result of their evil and sin.
But for No'h, his pluvial insurance,
Safe in his ark, now gave a win win.

Sheets for water

*Noah produces document
Thumbs up*

Then at last - no precipitation,
The waters revealing dry ground.
The ark came to rest on a mountain;
And so Noah began to look round.

He sent birds to act as his searchers:
First a raven and then a white dove.
But at first their recesses proved fruitless,
No sign of land when seen from above.

But one day, joy of joy for our Noah,
And his family a blessed relief.
Dove returned to Noah one evening,
And in its beak - a fresh olive leaf.

So the cruise was over for Noah;
The animals released in the wild.
"Be fruitful," said God to our Noah,
"May your children have many a child."

A rainbow he used as a promise,
Never again to send down a flood.
Next rescue for us not a vessel,
But a saviour who'd shed His own blood.

So what do we learn from our Noah,
A man of God six hundred years old?
Built an ark when it wasn't raining;
He obeyed God – did what he was told.

But let's heed another deep meaning,
If we want to keep our lives afloat.
He offers us all His salvation,
But we've got to get into His boat.

Umbrellas down

*All lurch to one side
Binoculars*

Birds on end of pole & string

Dove round once, then

change to add leaf.

*Cap off
ABCD exit carrying animals
God holds up fruit
& then baby*

*Gd holds up rainbow umbrella
Walks down to get into ark
Hands umbrella to Noah
God holds arms wide*

All stand in a row

*Puts down umbrella
All go down on one knee*

*God invites
All enter ark*