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**Key Verse:**

When all Israel heard the verdict the king had given, they held the king in awe, because they saw that he had wisdom from God to administer justice. (1 Kings 3:28)

## Justice Is Done!

Two women went to King Solomon with an issue. Both women claimed to be the mother of the same baby. They lived in the same house and each had her own baby. The second woman's baby died, so she took the first woman's baby while the woman slept. She laid her dead baby in the other woman's arms. The next morning, the woman saw that her baby was dead. But when she looked closer, she realized that it was not her baby at all.

The women argued back and forth before the king. After hearing the story, the king called for a sword to have the baby cut in two in order to give each woman half to end the argument.

The woman who was really the mother of the living baby cried out for the king to spare the baby. The other woman wanted the king to divide the baby. So, the king gave the baby to the woman who wanted him to live—because *she* was his mother!

The news of the king's decision spread quickly throughout the land. The people were amazed by the great wisdom that God had given the king to help him to make fair decisions.



## Kickball Crazyiness!



Margo wanted to win—badly! Her team always lost at kickball during gym time, but this time they were so close to winning she could taste it. She pulled her leg back and kicked forward so hard that the ball flew into the air! It looked like it disappeared for a second. But she did not care.

“Go, Margo! Go!” her teammates shouted from behind her. She raced around the diamond and touched all the plates. She was going to make it to home plate, but the ball came flying back down to earth. She had to stop at third base.

Right as her foot hit the plate, Kimmie smacked her in the stomach with the ball! But it did not mean anything, since Margo’s foot was already on the base.

“I tagged you out!” Kimmie screamed in Margo’s face.

“No, you didn’t. I was on the base,” Margo yelled back. Her stomach hurt from where Kimmy hit her and she was starting to get upset about how Kimmie was acting.

“You were not!” Kimmie said, getting louder.

Before Margo could respond, Mr. Jordan, the gym teacher, came over and spoke the truth—and that was that!

## Exploring the Story in Ruby's Lab



Hello, everyone! Ruby here! Have you ever had a disagreement with someone? It can be very frustrating! Sometimes, someone who can see both sides of the situation can help make it a peaceful time. What should you do when you are in a disagreement with someone? How should you treat that person? Do you know when it’s time to call in someone who can help ease the situation?

Sometimes, we are so busy trying to prove our point that everyone loses! That’s what makes this lesson so valuable. Wisdom is always welcome when there is a disagreement!

# Word Scrambler

Unscramble the scrambled-up words below that are from today's lesson. You may use the Word Bank if you need help.

## WORD BANK

argument • awed • child • decision  
divide • justice • living • sword

1. CJSUTIE

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2. LGVIIN

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3. RWDOS

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4. TMRNUGAE

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5. CSIIODEN

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6. WDAE

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7. DVEDII

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8. HDLIC

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## Decode the Message

Decode (figure out) a message related to today's lesson by writing on each dash the letter that comes between the combination of letters in the alphabet. (The letter combination is found under the dash.) (For example, z-b = a; l-n = m.) See if you can decode the message without looking back at the Scripture passage.

f-h    n-p    c-e    r-t

i-k   t-v   r-t   s-u   h-j   b-d   d-f

c-e   n-p   d-f   r-t   m-o   n-p   s-u

                   

e-g    z-b    h-j    k-m

