

Objective

By the end of this lesson, you will understand the concept of creation and explore the themes of science and magic in The Magician's Nephew.

Materials and Prep

- Copy of The Magician's Nephew by C.S. Lewis
- Paper and colored pencils
- Access to a garden or outdoor space (optional)

Activities

- **1. Create Your Own World:** Imagine you have magical powers like Uncle Andrew in the story. Draw a detailed illustration of a world you would create if you were a magician.
- **2. Plant Observation:** If you have access to a garden or outdoor space, spend some time observing different plants. Take notes on their characteristics and think about how they might have been created.
- **3. Science vs. Magic Debate:** Have a debate with a family member or friend on whether the events in The Magician's Nephew are more scientific or magical. Use examples from the book to support your arguments.

Talking Points

- **Creation of a World:** "In The Magician's Nephew, Aslan sings a beautiful song to create the world of Narnia. Just like a painter creates a masterpiece, Aslan used his voice and magic to bring Narnia to life."
- **Exploring Science:** "Science helps us understand the world around us. Just like Digory and Polly explored different worlds, scientists explore our world to learn how things work."
- **Magic and Imagination:** "Magic in stories like The Magician's Nephew allows us to imagine fantastical things that may not be possible in our world. It's like dreaming with our eyes open!"