

Matthew 25 - Be Ready!

In Matthew 25:1-13 Jesus tells a story that reminds us to be prepared while we wait for Him to return. Here are some challenges to do with waiting - you'll need some kind of timer or stopwatch.

How long is a minute?

Set a timer, then close your eyes and try to guess when 60 seconds pass. When you think it's been a minute, stop the timer and see how close you got! Challenge your family to see who can get the closest.

Name:	Time guessed:

Timer tasks!

How long does it take for your toast to pop? How long does it take to eat your breakfast? How long does it take the kettle to boil? Have a look around your house and see what else you can time.

Activity:	Time taken:

Minute Rush!

Get a blank piece of paper and a something to draw with. Set your timer to a minute and try to draw a picture of yourself (or something else you like to draw). Stop drawing when the timer goes off. Did you have enough time?

- Start a new drawing, but experiment with different amounts of time - is 5 minutes enough? What about 10 minutes? Or try 30 seconds?
- Instead of drawing, what else can you try? What about building a house with Lego, making paper aeroplanes or counting how many star jumps you can do in a minute?

Did you notice how sometimes a minute felt like a really long time, and sometimes it felt really short? Why was that?