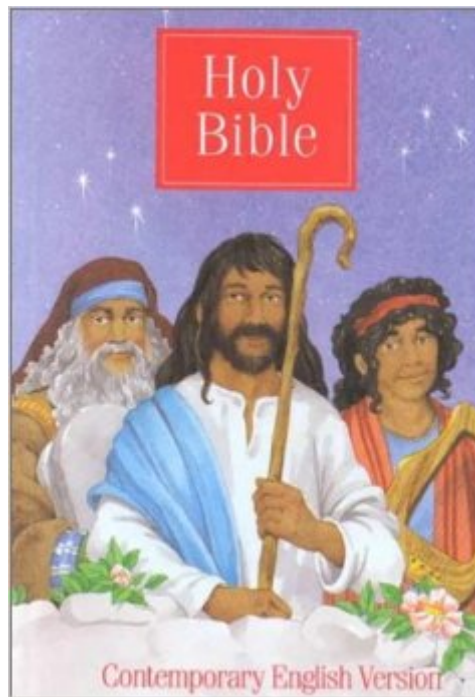


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# Holy Bible



## Synopsis

A real Bible, with easy-to-read text, this edition is intended for children from seven to their early teens. Complete with a presentation page, the text is illustrated throughout by 32 full-color drawings that bring biblical scenes to life.

## Book Information

Hardcover: 1551 pages

Publisher: American Bible Society; Contemporary English Version edition (April 1, 2000)

Language: English

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Product Dimensions: 6.2 x 1.6 x 9.1 inches

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Age Range: 7 - 14 years

Grade Level: 2 - 9

## Customer Reviews

After previewing a number of different bibles available for elementary aged children, our church school chose this one for its easy to use organization. Each book has a brief summary and a Table of Contents. The illustrations are better than most - pleasant but not too sappy. There is no illustration of Abramham with a knife poised over Issac's throat and the people shown are believably middle eastern with a variety of races included. The translation is the contemporary English version, which seems to be the standard for children's bibles. Headings make it fairly easy for children to locate the passage they're looking for so Bible study discussions are not consumed with trying to get everyone on the same page! Maps and supplementary material are helpful in familiarizing the children with the organization of the bible. Overall we thought it was the best choice of the ones we reviewed.

I have used this particular Bible with elementary school children (and this translation, although not

this Bible, with teenagers)in catechism classes. I found it the best Bible for the elementary age. It is advertised as a translation meant to be read aloud, and I agree that it works well when listened to. It holds the attention of the first and second graders. They are able to listen and act out the stories with little further explanation. As the students get older, the vocabulary is easily accessible to them and they can easily follow along. As they gain confidence as readers, they can read with understanding. And the illustrations are outstanding. No crowds of blondes, and at the same time, no heavy handedness with ethnic representations. I agree with the reviewer who said the illustrations are not sappy, and with the reviewer who said the illustrations are inviting to the younger set. I and the other catechists are very happy with this Bible.

I was looking for a bible to have in the house, mostly as a reference so we can answer difficult questions posed by our children. But I also wanted something they might be encouraged to pick up themselves. This bible is attractively illustrated and is nicely broken up into manageable chunks that are not too intimidating. The translation is in plain english, so the language is accessible to the children and does not require translation by us. Overall (if you want to judge by the cover) it is a book that invites the reader in rather than warning them off. I ended up reading the loaves and fishes to the kids over dinner, and later my wife took it to bed while I watched Lost on TV. I guess that makes it an instant success.

I bought this for my 9 year old granddaughter who was annoyed with a children's Bible in which she was looking up the Joseph story("it doesn't have the whole thing!"). She is finding the language far more approachable than NRSV and not as "cute" as some of the other choices, and is enjoying the illustrations scattered throughout. More maps might be helpful, but overall, this is well worth the purchase.

It was really suited more for a much older child than 9-12. I felt, It was a regular Bible and I had expected it to be easier reading for that age category, I saved it because I have other grandchildren that will be right for it in a few years

My young granddaughter requested 'a real Bible' for Christmas instead of her children's picture version. She asks to borrow mine every Sunday 'for just one day.' She is only in first grade, but is an avid reader and does well with this translation. Her disappointment will be there is no red letters for the words of Jesus. This seems to appeal to all young readers and one I would incorporate if

reprinted. The pictures are used more as section dividers rather than illustration, eg. between chapters. The art is a generation or two behind. I would update the illustrations if this comes up for reprint.

I teach Sunday school to kids age 4 to 12 and use this to tell bible stories while showing the pictures. Not as captivating as videos, but better than just me and my attempts at animated story telling.

This version is good for the younger student, elementary-junior high. Wordings a little more understandable but true to the scripture. Is laid out in chapters and verses like a regular Bible with some other headings of sections to find help find where one story or section begins and ends. Pictures are beautiful and each picture, not always aligned with the accompanying scripture, has the scripture reference by it to be able to connect easily. Would be nice to have a red letter feature for the words of Jesus.

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