



That's important

Near Alice Springs there is an ochre pit that the children enjoyed visiting. Kaylee and Sean drew pictures with the ochre and made some of it into paint. Ochre is a coloured pigment in rocks that Aborigines have been using for thousands of years for art and body painting. It was used to record things of great importance to the people.

Ochre is one of the first pigments ever used. It may even have been used by Moses when he wrote down God's laws. The Bible was first written on stones, then later scrolls made from animal skins. (It took a whole flock of sheep to write down all of God's laws.) The New Testament was written on an early type of paper called papyrus. It was copied many times over the years, but just as there are still Aboriginal paintings from thousands of years ago, we also have copies of parts of the Bible and other writings from thousands of years ago too.

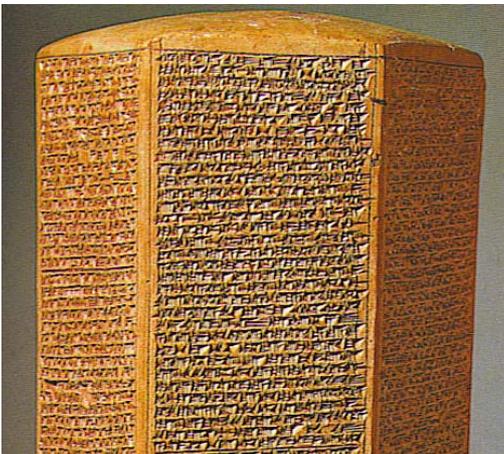


An aboriginal rock painting that is probably thousands of years old



Listen to God! John 20 :31

Write out this verse on the scroll or get a grown-up to write it out for you. Then colour the scroll.



This is part of a six sided clay prism that records an attack on King Hezekiah that is also written about in the Bible. It is over 2,700 years old. Writing like this helps us know the Bible is true.



Talk to God!

Lord God, thank you for the people like Moses who wrote down your words to us many years ago. Help us to understand the importance of your words in the Bible.

Binara the nosey frilled neck lizard wants to know why you think the Bible is so important.

