

Lesson 3

Moses 4

The following assignments include various learning activities, such as questions, lists, essays, charts, comparisons, contrasts, and surveys. To receive credit for this lesson, you must complete the number of assignments indicated below and submit them to your institute instructor or administrator. You may submit your work either electronically or on paper, handwritten or typed.

Each lesson should take approximately 60–90 minutes to complete, the same amount of time you would typically spend in a weekly institute class. Since reading the scripture block listed in the lesson heading is expected of all institute students prior to class, the estimated time for each assignment does not include the time you need to spend reading the scripture block.

Complete all of the following assignments:

1. Moses 4:1–6. How Lucifer Became the Devil

- a. Read Moses 4:1–6; Abraham 3:27–28; 2 Nephi 2:17–18, 27; Doctrine and Covenants 29:36–37; and the institute student manual commentary “Moses 4:1–2: The Plan of Our Father in Heaven” (page 12). Then write answers to the following:
 - How many times did Satan use the pronouns *I* or *me* in Moses 4:1–6 and Isaiah 14:12–15? What do these verses reveal about the nature of Satan and his motives? What was he seeking to accomplish?
 - What did Elder Neal A. Maxwell say was *not* the central question Heavenly Father asked in the premortal council in heaven?
 - According to Moses 4:2, when did the Father choose Jesus Christ to be the Savior of mankind?
 - How can knowing the truth about Satan and his tactics help us?
- b. Review Moses 4:3 and read 2 Nephi 2:13. Then respond to the following questions and activities:
 - According to Moses 4:3, what essential part of the Father’s plan did Satan seek to destroy?
 - What does 2 Nephi 2:13 teach us about how agency can be destroyed? How does

Satan continue to oppose this part of the Father’s plan?

- Write a paragraph explaining why it would have been impossible under Satan’s plan for us to grow and become like our Father in Heaven.
- c. Review Moses 4:4 and read 2 Nephi 2:17; then write short answers to the following:
 - Using a dictionary, list the meanings of the word *captive*.
 - According to Moses 4:4, who will not be deceived, blinded, or led captive by Satan?
 - In what ways do Doctrine and Covenants 1:38; 8:2–3; and 18:34–36 clarify how we may sometimes hear the voice of the Lord more in our life?
 - d. Review Moses 4:8–11 and read the first paragraph of the Bible Dictionary entry “Death” (page 655). Write a paragraph explaining two different ways in which the Lord’s words were fulfilled when Adam and Eve ate the fruit.
 - e. Read Moses 4:12, 18 and the student manual commentaries “Moses 4:12: ‘Why Did Adam and Eve Partake of the Fruit?’” and “Moses 4:12: The Difference between Transgression and Sin” (page 13). Then respond in writing to the following:
 - List the different options Adam had after he discovered Eve had partaken of the forbidden fruit.
 - Why did Eve choose to partake of the fruit?

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 - What would have happened if he had decided not to partake of the fruit?
 - Write a paragraph explaining how Adam and Eve’s decision to partake of the fruit was a necessary and beneficial step for the whole human family.
- e. Read Moses 4:13–16 and the student manual commentary “Moses 4:14: Adam and Eve Tried to Hide from God” (page 13). Then respond in writing to the following:
- List two things Adam and Eve did (according to Moses 4:13–14) to deal with the problem of their nakedness. How did they react when God called to them?
 - Read Proverbs 28:13 and Doctrine and Covenants 121:37. Write a paragraph explaining what happens to us when we try to hide our sins.
- f. Read Moses 4:15–19 and the student manual commentary “Moses 4:15–19: God Asked Adam and Eve If They Had Eaten the Fruit” (page 13). Respond in writing to each of the following:
- Make a list of the questions the Lord asked Adam and Eve in these verses.
 - How did these questions help Adam and Eve account for their actions?
 - Why does Heavenly Father want His children to understand they are accountable for their actions?
 - Explain how the questions “Where are you going?” and “What have you done?” could help you evaluate your standing before the Lord.
3. **Moses 4:20–32. The Consequences of the Fall**
- a. Read Moses 4:20–21 and the student manual commentary “Moses 4:21: The ‘Seed of the Woman’ Refers to the Savior, Jesus Christ” (page 14). Read the following scriptures:
- Genesis 3:15 footnote c; 2 Timothy 1:10; Hebrews 2:14; Doctrine and Covenants 19:2–3; 1 Corinthians 15:20–22. Write a couple of paragraphs explaining how the “seed of the woman” (Jesus Christ) fulfilled the prophecy to bruise the head of Satan.
- b. Read Moses 4:22–29; the Bible Dictionary entry “Fall of Adam” (page 670); and the student manual commentaries “Moses 4:22: ‘I Will Greatly Multiply Thy Sorrow’”; “Moses 4:23–25: ‘Cursed Shall Be the Ground for Thy Sake’”; and “Moses 4:23: ‘In Sorrow Shalt Thou Eat of It All the Days of Thy Life’” (pages 14–15). Then respond in writing to the following:
- List all the consequences you can find of Adam and Eve’s transgression.
 - How can the thorns and thistles mentioned in Moses 4:24 be likened to what we experience in mortality?
 - Explain how each consequence of the Fall could be perceived as a blessing.
 - How has one of the consequences of the Fall helped you to grow?
- c. Review Moses 4:22 and read the student manual commentary “Moses 4:22: ‘He Shall Rule over Thee’” (page 14). Then write responses to the following:
- What word did President Spencer W. Kimball use in place of *rule*?
 - Read Ephesians 5:22–31 and Doctrine and Covenants 121:41–46, and list the teachings the Lord gave to husbands.
- d. Read Moses 4:27 and 2 Nephi 9:14 and respond in writing to the following:
- How did the Lord resolve the problem of Adam and Eve’s physical nakedness?
 - Explain the difference between trying to “cover” our sins and going to the Lord to allow Him to “clothe” us spiritually through the Atonement of Jesus Christ (see also Isaiah 61:10; D&C 109:76).