What’s in A Name?
Isaac’s name means laughter and is the only guy in his family to not have his named changed.
Sarai’s name was changed to Sarah (Princess).
Abram’s name was changed to Abraham.
Abram means: exalted father,
Abraham means: father of many nations.

Hagar and Ishmael
Hagar and Ishmael was Sarah’s slave from Egypt. When Sarah realized that she could not have children she told Abraham to try and have children with Hagar. Hagar had a son Ishmael. Later, when Isaac was born, Hagar and Ishmael were sent away. (Genesis: 21)

BIG TOPIC!
What’s so bad about Sodom and Gomorrah that they are destroyed by a major fire?
Genesis 19:5-14

“Children of Abraham”
Judaism, Islam, and Christianity all claim to be descended from Abraham.
Which religions do you think descend from Isaac and which from Ishmael?

Hmmmm... That sounds familiar!
Isaac and Jesus:
When Isaac was in his late twenties, God told Abraham to take his son and sacrifice him. At the last minute the angel called out and told Abraham to stop. Many scholars compare this story with Jesus.
- Both were around the same age.
- Abraham is a father to all the nations and God is the ultimate “father” of humanity.

Some Other Characters:
- Keturah: The second wife of Abraham. She had six sons with him, but is still seen as the lesser wife to Sarah.
- Lot: Abraham’s nephew who gets kidnapped and then rescued. After that he lives in Sodom and Gomorrah until it is destroyed.
- King Abimelech: King of Gerar who was tricked to think that Sarah was Abraham’s sister.

NOTICE!
Two by Two:
“Good” Guy —— “Bad” Guy
Abel ——- Cain
Abraham —— Lot
Isaac —— Ishmael
Jacob —— Esau

Read and Discuss the Story of Sarah:
Genesis 16:1-16
Genesis 18:1-15
Genesis 21:1-7

There is a BUNCH about Abraham and Sarah
Here are some of the other stories and scriptures about them in Genesis 12-23.
- Abram and Sarai in Egypt. 12:10-20
- God gives Abram the land of Canaan. (Which is later the “Promise Land.”) 13:14-18
- Lot and Abraham separate and Lot gets captured. 14:13-16
- Lot and his family in Sodom and Gomorrah. Lots wife turns to salt. Chapter 19
- Abraham tell King Abimelech that Sarah is his sister. Chapter 20
- Sarah dies. Chapter 23