

# engage Kids

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NOW & LATER



**YOUR WORK MATTERS**

# FIRST STOP: LEMON DROP



## Introduction

Hey, everyone! It's me—Louie! I don't know what you are doing but drop EVERYthing. It's time for some candy!! Wait... did you say you can't have any right now? Don't worry. It's okay. THIS candy won't give you cavities. There's no time to explain. Just...follow me as we explore my new board game. Each time we reach a piece of candy, we will meet a new sweet somebody to go with it. Are you ready to start the adventure? A quick flick of the spinner tells us that our first stop is just ahead!

**Land: AFRICA**

**Square: YELLOW**

**Candy: LEMON DROP**



Greetings, Lemon Drop! Tell us...is that your real name?



Hello, Louie and friends! My real name is Kathryn Peterson. I'm sixteen years old, and I live with my family in the tiny mountain country of Lesotho (*La-SOO-too*), Africa.

**Louie:** Lovely! Tell us—what are your favorites?

**Lemon Drop:** Hmm...well, my favorite holiday is Easter, and my favorite activities are reading good books, writing, exploring the outdoors, and drawing maps. C.S. Lewis is one of my favorite authors.

**Louie:** Good! And...?

**Lemon Drop:** And...my favorite things about Lesotho are its beautiful landscape, fascinating culture, and colorful Basotho (*Bə-SOO-too*) people. My favorite hymn to play on the piano is “Nearer, My God, to Thee.”

**Louie:** Cool. And...?

**Lemon Drop:** I get involved with mission work in lots of ways. One of my favorites is the youth ministry—oh and singing in the youth choir! Can you believe I have even helped with some building projects? My favorite scripture is Isaiah 43:1-2. Those verses remind me that I am God’s child and that He will be with me no matter what challenges I might face.

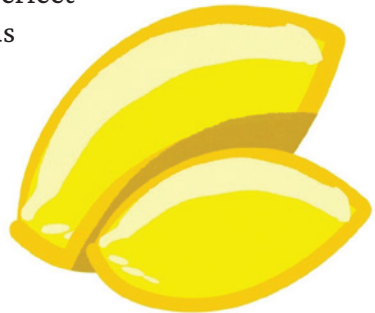
**Louie:** Ooooh, I like that a lot! And...?

**Lemon Drop:** Louie, you’re so silly! What more would you like to know? My favorite meal is shepherd’s pie followed by some delicious South African Koeksisters (*cook-sisters*)\* and a mug of Rooibos (*roy-boss*) tea.

**Louie:** My mouth is watering! But we are still missing something. Your favorite monkey is...?

**Lemon Drop:** Of course! My favorite monkey in ALL the world is...Louie!

**Louie:** Ahhhhh...there it is—the perfect answer! Well, the spinner is telling us it is time to leave this lovely drop of sunshine named Kathryn and move along. Thank you for your time, Miss Kathryn. Remember: **you are a blessing and your work for Jesus matters!**



\* *A fried, donut-like pastry*



# SESO THO WORDS

## Instructions

The official language of Lesotho, Africa is Sesotho (*Sə-SOO-too*). Find the following Sesotho words in this search, made by Kathryn Peterson.

N	T	A	T	E	H	P	U	L	A	D	T	L	N
Z	H	B	G	M	N	G	O	E	K	C	H	J	H
D	A	U	C	M	E	Y	L	K	U	K	A	G	L
P	B	T	D	B	A	U	S	I	Z	E	R	K	U
E	A	I	L	U	K	A	J	B	A	B	O	J	M
L	E	S	O	T	H	O	G	M	L	E	J	O	E
I	H	M	A	T	T	H	E	U	D	I	Y	C	L
J	C	N	E	B	I	B	E	L	E	A	M	D	A
K	H	O	T	S	O	Y	K	H	O	H	O	B	K
L	O	N	T	J	A	Z	M	A	R	E	K	A	J
M	B	Y	Y	B	E	H	J	O	H	A	N	N	E
N	K	A	D	I	P	R	O	V	E	R	B	I	A
G	E	N	E	S	E	B	A	E	A	Z	C	J	N
M	B	A	E	F	E	S	E	S	T	H	E	R	E

Ntate (Father)

M'me (Mother)

Thaba (Mountain)

Ausi (Sister)

Abuti (Brother)

Lesotho

Bibele (Bible)

Ngoe (One)

Peli (Two)

Tharo (Three)

Pula (Rain)

Lejoe (Rock)

Lumela (Believe)

Khotso (Peace)

Nonyana (Bird)

Khoho (Chicken)

Ntja (Dog)

Matheu (Matthew)

Mareka (Mark)

Luka (Luke)

Johanne (John)

Diproverbia (Proverbs)

Genese (Genesis)

Baefese (Ephesians)

Esthere (Esther)





## KOEKSISTERS

### **MEMORY VERSE**

Whatever you do, do all  
to the glory of God.  
*1 Corinthians 10:31b*



# LONA LE RE JESUS KE MANG?



**Land:** AFRICA

**Square:** LAVENDER

**Candy:** CHOCOLATE TRUFFLE



We've jumped forward four squares and landed right by this scrumptious chocolate truffle. Now I hear singing. Who could that be?



Lumela (*doo-MEL-lah*),\* Louie! Won't you join me and my friends at our party?

**Louie:** I love parties! What are we celebrating?

**Truffle:** I'm Kara Peterson, and I'm turning fifteen this month.

**Louie:** Peterson...I've heard that name before.

**Truffle:** Yes! You just talked to my older sister, Kathryn. Would you like some popcorn?

**Louie:** I would, thanks! Say, what was the song you were singing? I didn't recognize the words.

**Truffle:** "Lona le re Jesus ke mang?" It's a favorite of mine. In English the song asks, "Who do you say Jesus is?" Our youth choir sings it often.

**Louie:** So, Miss Kara, we see you live with family here in Lesotho, but what else should we know about you?

**Truffle:** Besides spending time with my friends, I enjoy listening to music and reading. *Anne of Green Gables* is my current favorite. Have you read it?

**Louie:** I have not. I will add it to my reading list. Do you enjoy school?

**Truffle:** It's okay. We homeschool. That means us kids can be involved in many helpful activities, like cooking for conferences or organizing care packages for kids who need them.

**Louie:** Brilliant! Do you have a favorite moment from your time in Africa?

**Truffle:** Once we went with friends to the mountains for a day of sledding...in July! We really enjoyed it. Since Lesotho is south of the equator, July is a winter month here.

**Louie:** Before we leave, would you share a verse that is special to you?

**Truffle:** That's easy! Joshua 1:9—"Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." Whether in America with family and friends or working for Jesus in the beautiful mountains of Africa, I can be content and unafraid. God is with me everywhere.

**Louie:** We really enjoyed meeting you, sweet Kara. Remember: **you are a blessing and your work for Jesus matters!**



\* Hello



*Who will we meet  
when we jump ahead?  
Join us next time  
to find out!*



# Louie's treehouse Lain

## Now and Later

The Peterson sisters showed us how helpful they are right **now**. They told us about the activities and skills they enjoy right **now**. Many of those interests will also help them be good missionaries **later**. Can you spot them in the stories you read? Make a list and put a star next to the one you find most interesting. Share with someone how you think that skill would be helpful in mission work.

Remember: YOU are a blessing, and YOUR work for Jesus matters!



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