

Yr 2 Rich Fool Parent Cheat Sheet, Luke 12:16-21

1. What was the rich man spending his time thinking about?

He was thinking about all the things he owned and where he was going to put them. He was thinking that he would have lots of time to sit back and relax and enjoy them.

2. What should he have thought about instead?

Jesus said that he should have his heart and mind on things of God. Discuss what you think this means. Some examples might be loving others, doing good for others, praying, reading Scripture etc. Maybe instead of storing things, he could have thought about sharing those things. Earthly things are only temporary. Things of God last forever!

3. Can stuff make us happy?

No! Lots of commercials try to tell us that the things they are selling will make us happy, but they don't. Things are not bad. God gives us things to enjoy! We should be grateful for these things. We can have fun with new toys, and we can enjoy new clothes and really like our homes, but we should not love these things more than we love God or other people. We should not use up all of our time trying to get more things. If we forget about the love of God and if we forget to love of others, we won't be happy.

Sometimes stuff can even cause us to argue with others.