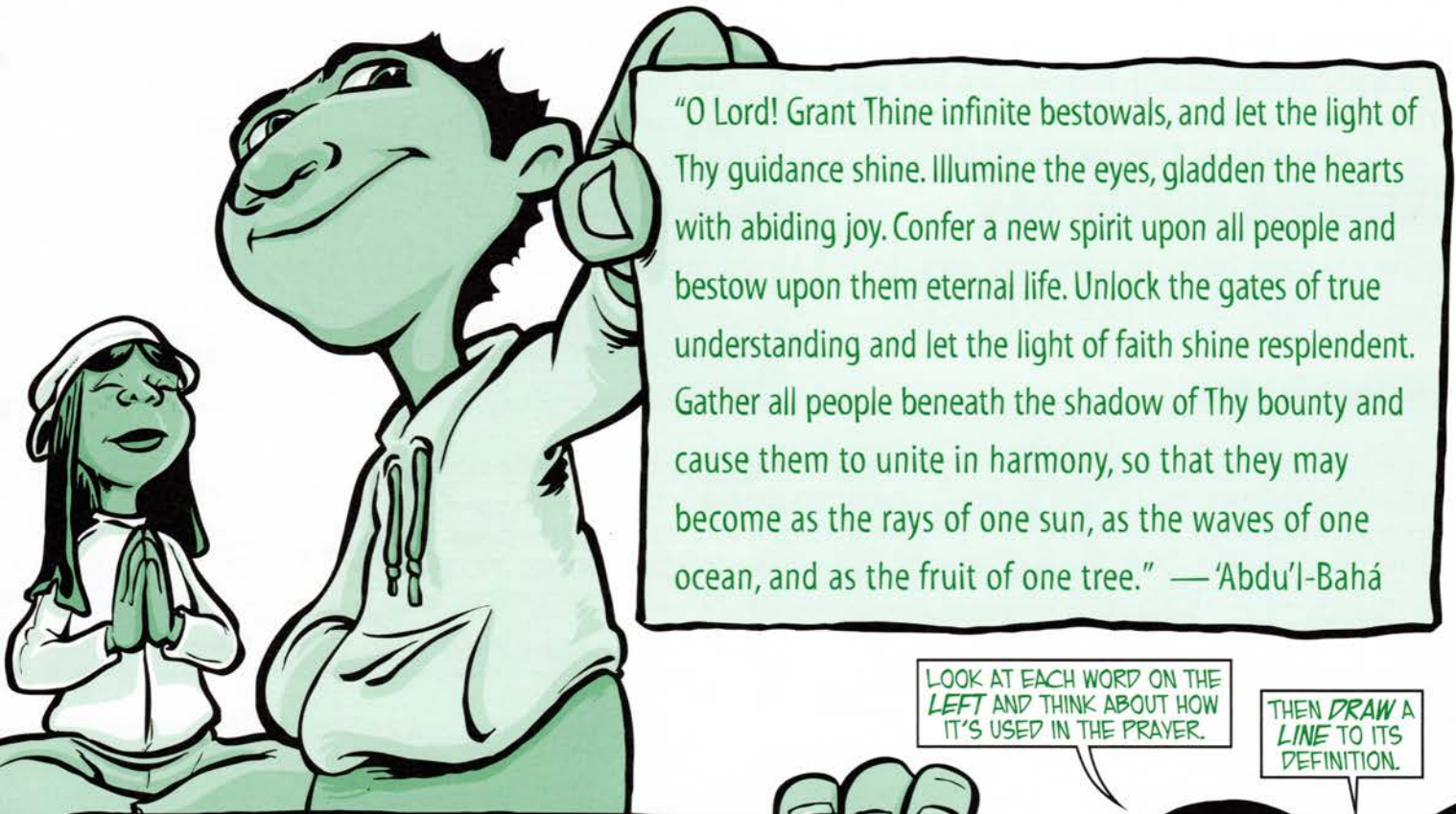


PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE

Where do you turn when you don't know what to do? Each day you face many choices, and sometimes the right thing is not clear. You may want to consult with your parents, teachers, and friends. Praying for guidance is helpful, too.

The Bahá'í writings describe prayer as

"conversation with God." When you feel lost or unsure of the best path to take, try asking God to guide your thoughts and actions. Keep your heart open for an answer. Divine guidance sometimes comes in unexpected ways. Here's a prayer you can say when you want to ask for guidance.



"O Lord! Grant Thine infinite bestowals, and let the light of Thy guidance shine. Illumine the eyes, gladden the hearts with abiding joy. Confer a new spirit upon all people and bestow upon them eternal life. Unlock the gates of true understanding and let the light of faith shine resplendent. Gather all people beneath the shadow of Thy bounty and cause them to unite in harmony, so that they may become as the rays of one sun, as the waves of one ocean, and as the fruit of one tree." — 'Abdu'l-Bahá

LOOK AT EACH WORD ON THE LEFT AND THINK ABOUT HOW IT'S USED IN THE PRAYER.

THEN DRAW A LINE TO ITS DEFINITION.

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| 1 infinite | A gifts, awards |
| 2 bestowals | B light up, brighten |
| 3 illumine | C limitless, very great, vast |
| 4 abiding | D everlasting life of the spirit |
| 5 confer or bestow | E constant, lasting |
| 6 eternal life | F give or grant |
| 7 resplendent | G unity, friendship |
| 8 bounty | H splendid, brilliant |
| 9 harmony | I generosity, kindness |

