

a) *The First Book of Moses, Called "GENESIS"*

- ¹ In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.
- ³ **And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.**
- ⁵ And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night.
- ⁶ **And God said,** Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters.
- ⁷ And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which *were* under the firmament from the waters which *were* above the firmament: **and it was so.**
- ⁸ And God called the firmament Heaven.
- ⁹ **And God said,** Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry *land* appear: **and it was so.**
- ¹⁰ And God called the dry *land* Earth; and God saw that *it was* good.
- ¹¹ **And God said,** Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, *and* the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed *is* in itself, **and it was so.**
- ¹⁴ **And God said,** Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:
- ¹⁵ And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: **and it was so.**
- ¹⁶ And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: *he made* the stars also.
- ²⁰ **And God said,** Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life.
- ²⁴ **And God said,** Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: **and it was so.**

b) *"The Gospel According to St John"***Chapter 1**

1. In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the word was God.

a) SOURCE: http://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/cardinals/concistoro-22feb2014/index.htm

ORDINARY PUBLIC CONSISTORY FOR THE CREATION OF NEW CARDINALS

Letter of the Holy Father to those who will be
created Cardinals at the upcoming Consistory
of 22 February
[English, German, Italian, Portuguese, Spanish]

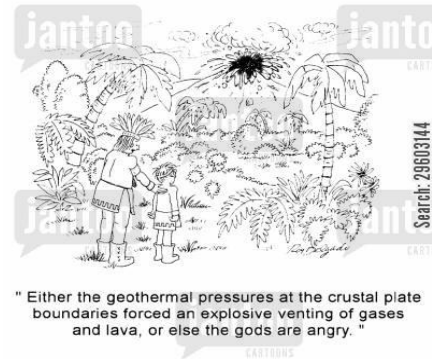
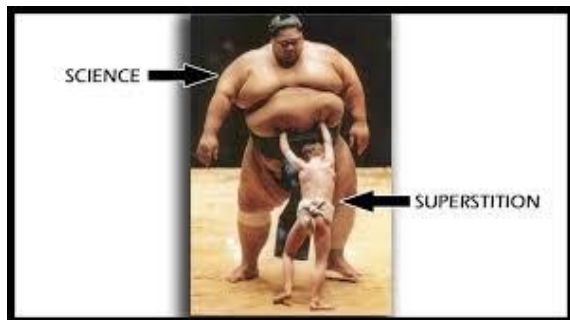
b) Reflect on why the Pope is also called « **Verbum Incarnatum** ».

c) SOURCE : <http://royalcentral.co.uk/uk/thequeen/queen-elizabeth-ii-appoints-theresa-may-as-her-13th-prime-minister-62342>

Queen Elizabeth II appoints Theresa May as her 13th Prime Minister

Instructions for Docs 1 & 2. The power of divine language: explain how God creates the world, explain the relation between a thing and its name. Compare this with what happens when a new cardinal is needed in the Vatican or when a new Prime Minister is needed in Britain. Explain “Verbum Incarnatum”.

DOC 3



Instructions for Doc 3. The power of scientific language.

- compare the image with the comic and find the difference(e) between science and superstition.

-Reflect on this brief passage from the famous novel “*Frankenstein*”: we learn that **the goal of science is “to penetrate the secrets of nature”** and to **“give names”**...

-Reflect on the meaning of a few synonyms for the verb « to understand » = **to seize, to possess, to master, to grasp, to comprehend** ... Explain the different relation between a thing and its name