



ELEMENTARY KIDS CLUB

Kids Club is an environment designed to complement the primary large group/small group kids experience. Kids Club also allows parents to participate in serving. K-5th graders who stay for two consecutive services may join Kids Club.

The goal of Kids Club is to:

- Give kids opportunities to practice Bible Skills and learn memory verses.
- Provide many different types of service experiences for kids.
- Create opportunities for social growth as kids have fun together.

A monthly goal to commit to the kids to learning specific Bible knowledge. (i.e. books of the New Testament, Bible Verses, or classification of books of the Bible)

Each month kids will experience four or five different themed weeks that will repeat from month-to-month. Curriculum provided for each week will be enough for 30-40 minutes of content. Themes will be as follows:

Week 1: Serve - Each month kids will have an opportunity to serve others as directed by their leaders. They may write notes of encouragement, prepare gift bags, go on prayer walks, etc. There also may be campus specific projects to join.

Week 2: Grow - Kids will practice Bible skills.

Week 3: Challenge - Kids will demonstrate recall of scripture and Bible skills in several contest challenges. Campus leaders may choose to offer localized incentives for accomplishments.

Week 4: Create - Kids will create a fun craft from a pre-packaged kit that will also provide opportunities for discussion and review.

Week 5: Party - During months where there is a fifth week, kids will celebrate with a themed party (when appropriate). Kids can celebrate what they learned during the month, play fun party games, watch fun movies and eat snacks.

Also, campus leaders will provide materials for localized free-time “stations.” Kids Club leaders should limit each child’s time at these stations and encourage kids to rotate between free-time opportunities. Ideas for Free-time stations: Board games, video games, crafts, four square, etc.

Suggested Schedule

10 minutes—Kids arrive and begin rotation stations or free play

30-40 minutes—Weekly curriculum activities

15 minutes—Directed rotation stations

5 minutes—Dismissal



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Week 3: Challenge (January 21, 2019)

Main Point: God will make a way for me to follow Him.

Bible Story: The Israelites cross the Jordan River (Joshua 3-4)

Memory Verse: Philippians 4:19

Prepare

- Go to the NEW RBKIDS resources page (rockbridge.cc/resources) to view this week's Bible story to be able to help the kids review it.
- Before the kids arrive, have supplies ready to review and create a list of supplies.
- Have kids put away toys when you are ready start to avoid distractions.
- **Supplies:** Old Testament youtube song/video, craft sticks (with books of old testament written on them), 2 balls, 2 laundry baskets, clothes pins with books of old testament written on them, hanger. Old Testament Printable. **BUTTONS** **Multiple Activities are listed for you to pick to do with your class. Each week a specific new activity will be added**

****LEADERS** Remember our goal in kids club is to help the kids learn to navigate the Word of God. We want to devote much of our time together to helping them reach the goal for this month.**

Kids Club Goal: Kids can recite all the books of the Old Testament in order.

Activity 1: Review (5 minutes)

1. Ask kids: "What was today's main point?"
2. Ask kids: "What is the verse for today?"
3. Ask kids: "What was the Bible story about?"

Activity 2: Learn the Books of the Old Testament (45 mins)

Say "Remember this month we are working toward memorizing all the books of the old testament and this week is CHALLENGE week. So we are going to challenge you to say as many books of the Old Testament that you can say. " (If you worked on a select few of OT books the last 2 weeks ask them to repeat the ones that they can remember. Make sure they understand that God does not expect perfection, only that we keep working toward Him and in a relationship with Him.) **Use snack time as a way for each of the kids to have a turn telling both teachers how much that they know all on their own** Also, turn all of these activities into competitions. Pick teams and have them play against each other. It will encourage them to keep learning to be ready for the next challenge week when we do review.

- A. Play the Old Testament song:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i7ZtWRSCH7E>
(setting the song on repeat will help them to memorize them easier)
- B.** Pass out Bibles and have them turn to the table of contents to read through the books of the Old Testament books together. Pick a number of books to work on for this first week. Divide kids up and have the older ones work together and challenge each other to see how far they can memorize in the first day. Help the younger kids to memorize even the first 5 books of the Old Testament.
- C. Bible Book Pin Up** - Print the names of the Old Testament books on individual clothespins. Hang a hanger on the wall. Explain that the object of the game is to put the books of the Old Testament in order. At the signal, the children begin to go through the bucket of clothes pins and work together to start putting them in order. Let them know that this is practice for Challenge week where we will have 2 sets of clothes pins and make it into a team game.
- D. Line it up** - write the books of the Old Testament on individual craft sticks and put in the floor and allow the kids to line them up in order.
- E. Basketball Books** - get a ball and laundry basket. (if you have enough kids get 2 balls and 2 laundry baskets and divide them up into teams) The kids have to name the book of the Bible and then they get to shoot a basket. First kid has to start with Genesis, second kid has to say the next book (Exodus)... So on and so forth. If they don't get the right answer, the team has to start over at Genesis. **You can also alter this to go only to the amount of books of the Old Testament that you have set a goal to memorize this first week. For example: You are only trying to memorize through Psalms this week. When you get to Psalms either you start a new game from the beginning or you congratulate them and move to the next game.
- F. BEFORE OR AFTER** - Randomly choose a card from either the Old Testament deck (OR use the craft sticks with the old testament books on them.) Don't let the students see the card. Have them try to guess the name of the book on the card by randomly naming a book. If the card you're holding comes before the book guessed, say, "Before." If it comes after the book guessed, say, "After." Keep narrowing it down until someone guesses the correct book. Whoever guesses the book, gets to choose the next one.
- G. Navigate the Bible:** Get everyone a Bible. Name a book of the Bible and ask them find where the book is at in the Bible. You don't have to name a chapter and verse, just the book.
- H. Bible Buttons:** Object: To be able to name as many books of the Bible as possible, in order. Play: Have everyone in the room stand in a circle. Pass the button box to the first person, who names the first book of the Bible, takes a button, then passes the box to the next person. That person names the next book, takes a button, and passes the button box. People only get a button if they get the book right. The person with the most buttons at the end of the game wins.

- I. **Hide & Seek Bible Books:** (Younger Children) Before class hide the books of the Bible written on sheets of paper around the room. (Tape them under chairs and tables, hang them from the ceiling with thread, etc.) On the word go have the children look for the books. When they have all been found have the children work on putting them in order.

Activity 3: Prayer time (10 mins)

Talk with the kids about next steps, as this week is baptism week at all our campuses. Ask the kids if they know what baptism is or if they have thought about taking a step toward Jesus by starting a relationship with Him. Let them know that you are available to talk to them or that your campus children's minister can come talk to them if they have any questions about following Jesus or being Baptized. End in praying over the kids that they would come to know Jesus and that would have courage to stand up and ask the questions. Also, that those who have made decisions for salvation/baptism/relationship with Jesus that they would be Bold in their faith with anyone who asks or sees them.

Activity 4: Pick up Time (10 minutes)

As parents pick up their kids be sure to check their claim stickers. Encourage kids to tell their parents the books of the Bible that they learn when they get to the car. Also, give parents the Books of the Bible hand out and let them know our goal for the month and encourage them to help their kids at home. We also listed the Old Testament song link for the parents on that page.