November 12, 2017

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Here's an overview of what you'll be teaching in 2s this week.

Social (9:00, 10:15, 11:30)

Hot To

Playground (9:10, 10:25, 11:40)

• If the weather allows, travel to the playground for 10 minutes of playtime outside.

Snack (9:22, 10:37, 11:52)

• Offer snack to the children, indoors

Bible (9:30, 10:45, 12:00)

• Bible History presentation in the Sandbox

Groups (9:45, 11:00, 12:15)

- Anytime, Anywhere, Anything
- Sir the Heart

Dismiss (10:00, 11:15, 12:30)

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Let one teacher lead children in activities throughout the room while another teacher greets parents and kids at the door. At this age not all children will participate, but most will want to be part of the fun.

How To

Made to Move: An activity that uses a preschooler's natural desire to move to help them learn

What You Need: Play bowling set, basket, and 3 beanbags

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Set the bowling pins up on one side of the activity area and place the basket on the other side.

During the Activity: Beginning with the bowling set, give the children step-by-step instructions on how to bowl. Allow the children to bowl while following your directions.

After the Activity: Then move on to the basket and beanbags. Give step-by-step instructions on how to throw the beanbags into the basket.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "WOW! We get to bowl and play with beanbags today!"

During the Activity: "You must listen to exactly what I say so that you can bowl correctly. Are you ready to listen and bowl? (Pause.) Great, here we go! First you pick up the ball. (Demonstrate.) Then stand in front of the pins. (Demonstrate.) Then roll the ball toward the pins and let go. (Demonstrate.) See how many pins you can knock down. Now it is your turn! Be sure to follow all of my instructions. (Do activity.) Great job! Now let's see if we can toss the beanbags into the basket. First you pick up the beanbag and stand in front of the basket. (Demonstrate.) Lightly toss the beanbag into the basket. (Demonstrate.) Then try it again with the other three beanbags." (Finish activity.)

After the Activity: "You did a fantastic job following directions! It is very important to follow directions and to do them in the correct order. In our Bible Truth today, Jesus gives us very important directions!"

Transition: Move to Bible time by saying, "Now I have more directions for you to follow. Everyone stand up *(pause)*, grab a handle on our traveling rope *(pause)*, and walk to the Sandbox. Great job following directions!"

Playground (9:10, 10:25, 11:40)

If the weather allows, use this time to travel outside for 10 minutes of playtime. Place your "We are on the Playground" sign on the door as you leave. This will allow parents who are late to find you.

Snack (9:22, 10:32, 11:52)

Bible (9:30, 10:40, 12:00)

Travel to the Sandbox for the Large Group presentation. Place your "We are in The Sandbox" sign on the door as you leave.

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The following activities help make the Bottom Line stick. Encourage children to play on their own if they do not wish to take part in an activity.

1. Anytime, Anywhere, Anything

Talk About God | Bible Review

Made to Create: An activity that allows preschoolers to review the Bible Truth, Bottom Line, or memory verse by creating a craft

What You Need: "Anytime, Anywhere, Anything" Activity Page and smiley face stickers (3 per child)

What You Do:

During the Activity: Retell the Bible Truth. Give each child an Activity Page and three smiley face stickers. Instruct the children to place a sticker in each of the three boxes on the Activity Page.

After the Activity: Send the Activity Page home with the children.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Our Bible Truth today gave directions from Jesus on how to pray to God. We can pray to God ANYTIME, ANYWHERE, and about ANYTHING!"

During the Activity: (Give each child an Activity Page.) "This page says that we can pray ANYTIME, ANYWHERE, and about ANYTHING! This makes me so happy! Please place a happy face sticker on each of the boxes (point) on the page."

After the Activity: "Awesome job! Jesus tells us that we can talk to God about anything, anytime, anywhere. That is something to be happy about! We are so thankful to God for everything He does for us! Who can you thank for everything? [Bottom Line] I can thank God for everything!"

Proceed with Activity #2.

2. Stir the Heart

Hear from God | Memory Verse Review

Made to Imagine: An activity that lets preschoolers pretend, imagine, and role play to enhance their learning

What You Need: "Heart" pieces, plastic clear bowl, and a wooden spoon

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Place the hearts in the bowl.

During the Activity: Encourage the children to stir the hearts in the bowl as you say the memory verse. Be sure all of the children have a turn to stir.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Let's get cooking!"

During the Activity: "Pretend to be a chef and stir the heart in the bowl while we all say our memory verse. Are you ready? (Pause.) Here we go!" (Do activity.)

After the Activity: "Awesome job stirring the hearts and saying our memory verse! Our memory verse tells us that we should thank God for EVERYTHING! We have so much to be thankful for. Who can you thank for everything? [Bottom Line] I can thank God for everything!"

Get Ready to Dismiss (10:00, 11:15, 12:30)