

LUNAR QUEST | WEEK 5 | MAY 29, 2022

K-5th Lesson

5th Sunday Funday

Today is the 5th Sunday of the month...let's have a party! Today, we will be emphasizing two of our core values in KidCity: FUN and RELATIONSHIPS. Whatever your volunteer role, really lean into having fun with the kids...which will then turn into developing a deeper relationship with them. Kids connect through fun! To be at your best, skim through the entire lesson so you know what to expect. Large group will run longer than normal (approximately 30 minutes) so plan to start exactly on time (9:35 AM/11:20 AM).



LARGE GROUP
30 MINUTES

SMALL GROUP 20 MINUTES

KID CONNECT WELCOME TIME (VIDEO: INTRO MUSIC)

<u>Play</u> intro music and greet each kid as he or she arrives. Use this time to fill out attendance sheets, and help new kids connect to your group.

OPENING ACTIVITY:

(No Supplies)

During this time, concentrate on getting to know your group and building a relationship between you all. Create a place where they feel like someone knows them and that they belong. A great way to do that is to pull them into an activity (coloring, LEGOs, etc.) and ask them questions. Here are some suggestions:

- If you could design a planet, what would it look like?
- If you were an alien, what would you look like?



LARGE GROUP

COUNTDOWN AND WELCOME

(VIDEO: COUNTDOWN, SLIDE: KIDCITY EXPECTATIONS)

<u>Show</u> the countdown video as you transition to Large Group. Set it to end as the session begins. The Large Group Leader has lots of energy as he or she welcomes everyone to KidCity. The LGL is relatable and inviting. LGLs can talk about something that happened culturally throughout the week like a big sports game, movie opening, a viral video on YouTube, holiday, etc. The LGL tells them how excited he or she is that they're there and briefly runs through what they can expect. This is especially helpful for first-time guests to make them feel like they know what's happening.

LGL: Welcome everyone to 5th Sunday Funday! We are going to have an incredibly fun time and I hope you're as excited as I am.

But first, let's quickly go over our KidCity Expectations so we can make sure that we make the most of our time today: (Don't dwell on these too long, but make sure you review them briefly so we can set everyone up for success.)

- 1. Be Kind We need to be kind with our words and actions to our friends, leaders, and the space that we are using.
- 2. Be Safe Make wise choices with your actions and words.
- 3. Have Fun Participate in what we are doing! It's no fun just sitting there...

Let's kick off today by playing a game!

SMALL GROUP TEAM CHALLENGE (15 minutes)

SPACE EGGSPLORER SPLASHDOWN

(1 Cascarone per group, Egg Drop supplies per group [plastic grocery bags, pipe cleaners, tape], Ladder - 1 per room, 4 Cement Pavers, 1 Potted Cactus, 1 Prize per winner, "Space Eggsplorer Splashdown" Activity Page - rolled like a blueprint)

LGL: "I don't know if you've heard, but for this 5th Sunday Funday we are going on a Lunar Quest! I'm going to need your help, cadets, to engineer space-worthy crafts. I know what you're thinking, but no, not regular crafts – spacecrafts! You know, like spaceships, satellites, and such.

(SLIDE: 5th Sunday LUNAR QUEST THEME)

Cadets, I have a mission for you. Our astronauts are currently stuck in orbit around the Earth and they need a safe way to splash down to earth. Your small group will work together to use the items provided for you to come up with a prototype space capsule that will get our astronauts safely home in one piece. And your astronauts for today are these!

LGL holds up a Cascarone - which is a colorful egg filled with confetti.



That's right! This is an egg that is FILLED with confetti! At the end of the time, I will drop every team's astronaut from the top of *this* ladder and it must not break! Otherwise your Eggsplorer won't survive!!

Ok, so you will have 5 MINUTES to collaborate together and create your space capsule. At the end of the 5 minutes, your astronaut must be attached to your device and ready for its rapid descent to Earth. When I say 'GO' the countdown will start and you can begin. Everybody go ahead and get into your groups!

If you notice that some groups are too big, have some kids merge with another group, or if you lead older kids, just split some off without a small group leader. Try to keep the groups around 4-8 kids. Give each group the Eggsplorer Splash Down Kits.

Ok, countdown with me. 10, 9, 8,...2, 1, GO!!

(VIDEO: 2.5 MINUTE COUNTDOWN)

Cadets, can I have your attention please? You can choose to continue your work or you can choose to stop working to participate in this space trivia. If you get the answer correct, your team will win a special advantage in our Eggsplorer Splash Down. To choose to enter, your whole team must stand up now. (*Pause*)

Wait and lock in which small groups have decided to participate.

Ok, thank you for participating in this challenge. When I ask this question, you will indicate your answer as a group by doing the MOTION related to your answer. You will have 10 seconds to discuss once I finish reading the question out loud. Got it? Ok, here we go.

(SLIDE: TRIVIA QUESTION)

'How many moons are in our Solar System?'

Read off the answer options, give them 10 seconds to consult each other, and then have them do the motions that coincide with the answer of their choice. The answer is **D**.

Let's see those moves! Alright, if you were waving your hands above your head like an alien then you are correct! The answer was D.

Congratulations cadets! Your special advantage is that when YOUR space capsule is dropped from the ladder, it will be dropped onto SAFE terrain! (point to the 4 pavers on the ground)

BUT if your team got it wrong, or chose not to participate, well...you'll see...

Ok, resume the countdown!



(VIDEO: 2.5 MINUTE COUNTDOWN)

Encourage teams to work fast but do their best! Once the countdown stops...

Aaaaaand stop! Hands up in the air, cadets. Ok, I need one representative from each team to come up here with your space capsule and stand in line. It is time to test these capsules!

One by one, take their capsule and drop them from the tallest point on the ladder that you feel comfortable with. Drop them straight onto the 4 pavers on the ground. Be sure to drop all of the <u>trivia winner's</u> capsule FIRST!

Then, once all the trivia winner's capsules have gone, say...

Wait, you guys all got the trivia question wrong or didn't even participate! Oh no!! Your Central Command did NOT do their homework and have chosen a more "hazardous" landing site!

Grab the potted cactus and place it in the center of the 4 pavers.

Will it affect the safety of your eggsplorer? There's only one way to find out!

One by one, take their capsule and drop them from the tallest point on the ladder that you feel comfortable with. Drop them straight onto the 4 pavers and 1 cactus on the ground.

Any teams whose Cascarone does NOT break, wins the challenge.

Good job everyone on cooperating as a team. And a HUGE congratulations to the team(s) who won this Eggtraordinary challenge! All of you, come claim your prize!! Congrats Cadets!!

Hand out a prize to each kid that has won.

Alright, let's all stand up and get ready to worship!

WORSHIP

(VIDEO: THIS IS LIVING NOW)

GOSPEL PRESENTATION

(VIDEO: GOSPEL)

(SLIDES: MAKING WAVES; KIDCITY BASIC TRUTHS)

(No Supplies)

That was awesome! Go ahead and have a seat.

We've had a great time going on our Lunar Quest. If you had fun hanging out with us today, we are doing more fun things all summer long starting next month! This summer we will be MAKING WAVES.



(SLIDE: MAKING WAVES THEME)

You don't want to miss it! Plus, our next 5th Sunday Funday will be in July and it will wrap up our summer theme. It's going to be awesome.

For now though, let's remind ourselves of our Basic Truths that we have in KidCity. If this is your first time with us, we have 3 Basic Truths that we say all the times. They help remind us of who we are and how God has made us. Let's go through them...

(SLIDE: KIDCITY BASIC TRUTHS)

I am made by God. We are made in God's image, that means that we are able to have joy, love others, be patient, have fun, and so much more because God is all of those things times a million!

I am loved by God no matter what. We can be confident that if we have a relationship with God there are no mistakes so big that they outweigh God's love for us.

I am made for a purpose. When you have a relationship with God you have a part to play in His Big Story, a part that makes a BIG difference within you and to the world around you.

If we zoom in on that second truth – that I am loved by God no matter what...there is a lot to unpack there. Yes, God loves you right where you are and how you are, but there is something that keeps us from having a relationship with Him. Sin – which is anything you think, say, or do that breaks God's law or makes Him sad – sin keeps us apart from God, because God is perfect and holy. But He also loves us no matter what, so He created a way for us to be with Him forever. Let's watch this video.

(VIDEO: GOSPEL)

What we just heard is the MOST important thing! So don't miss it!

God loves you so much that He gave his Son Jesus - who died for our sins. If we believe in Him and ask for His forgiveness, then He will forgive us. And then next is the best part! We then receive His gift of eternal life. That means we can live with Him in heaven forever! There's nothing better than that!

So, if you would like to make that decision right now, you can. I'm going to say a prayer and all you have to do is repeat after me. Ok? Let's all close our eyes....

PRAYER

"God, you are perfect and holy. We know that our sin keeps us from you and there's nothing we can do to save ourselves. We are sorry for doing things that make you sad. We want to love you and follow you with our whole heart. Thank you for sending Jesus to save us. We trust you. Amen."



ANNOUNCEMENT

"Before you go into small groups, I just want to give everyone here a sneak peek of what our ENTIRE summer's theme is going to be - starting NEXT week! Check it out!

(SLIDE: MAKE WAVES)

We are going to Make Waves ALL summer long as we learn about the Fruit of the Spirit! It's going to be an awesome summer and you don't want to miss it. So come back next week!

DISMISS TO SMALL GROUPS

SMALL GROUP

There is no agenda during small group time other than to have fun together! This is a great opportunity to build deeper relationships in your group - kids connect through fun. Be sure to welcome any visitors that you have. You can do these activities in any order as time allows.

LOOK UP, LOOK DOWN

(No Supplies)

What You Do:

- Have kids stand in a large circle with some space between them.
- Direct kids to look down until you say, "Look Up!"
- When you say, "Look up", kids will need to look up at one person within the circle. If they are not looking at each other, then they stay in the game. However, if the two kids ARE looking at each other then they need to dramatically fall to the floor (or just sit down, but where's the fun in that??) and they are out.
- The remaining kids continue playing until there are two kids left.
- Repeat as time and interest allows

ALL MY NEIGHBORS

(Cones or Plates - 1 per kid)

- Form a circle and stand 3 feet away from each other. The facilitator will place a cone or plate in front of each kid. After set up is complete, the facilitator will stand in the middle of the circle and will be the first caller
- The caller shouts a fact about himself or herself. Example: *All my neighbors wearing black shoes.*
- Everyone wearing black shoes must find a new cone in the circle, including the caller.
- The person left without a cone becomes the caller. Be creative with commands.



DUCK, DUCK, GOOSE

(No Supplies)

Get the kids to form a circle and sit down facing each other. Designate somebody to be "it". It will be their job to walk around the circle quietly and calmly tapping each kid on the back and saying "Duck". They can do this for as long as they see fit, but eventually instead of tapping someone and saying "Duck", they must tap and say "Goose!". This is where the high intensity fun begins! The "Goose" must then give chase around the circle and tag the other kid before they get back to their empty spot.

