



START THE PARTY | WEEK 5 | JULY 30, 2024

### K-5<sup>th</sup> Lesson

# 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Funday

Today is the 5<sup>th</sup> 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 40 minutes) so plan to start exactly on time (9:35 AM/11:20 AM).**

We are having a PARTY this Sunday! Check with your campus on what theme you guys are doing - luau, 90's, or whatever - and come all decked out! This is also the last Sunday before Promotion Sunday (July 14).

**Pre-Service Check List**

- HUDDLE AS TEAM → • You're in this together! Pray together and talk about the activities for the day.
- PLAY MUSIC
- PUT OUT TOYS → • A welcoming environment is important! We want it to be obvious from the moment kids walk in that they belong HERE!
- PUT ASIDE DISTRACTIONS
- ENGAGE WITH KIDS

**Morning Flow**

Doors Open 9:15/11:00	Large Group Starts 9:35/11:20	Small Group Starts 10:05/11:50
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## LARGE GROUP

### COUNTDOWN AND WELCOME (3 minutes)

(VIDEO: COUNTDOWN, SLIDE: KIDCITY EXPECTATIONS)

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

Did anyone bring a friend or is here for the very first time? *(Celebrate anyone who responds)*  
We are so glad that you are here!

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
2. Be Safe
3. Have Fun

**Start off with the following on 'stage' game. Keep it brief because kids will then go into game rotations. Keep an eye on time. Max time should be 20 minutes.**

### STAGE GAME (5 minutes)

#### ELEPHANT STAMPEDE

(Panty Hose - 2, Tennis Ball - 2, Water Bottles - 8, Prize optional; LARGE CAMPUSES- see below)

(SLIDE: ELEPHANT STAMPEDE)

It is GAME TIME!! Are you ready to get this PARTY STARTED????

#### HOW TO PLAY:

- **CHOOSE VOLUNTEERS.** Choose a boy and a girl volunteer who isn't afraid to look a little silly.
- **EXPLAIN GAME.** Players will put a panty hose that has a tennis ball in the foot over their heads. They must swing the ball with enough force to knock over the water bottles (make sure there's some water in them). They cannot use their hands or feet to manipulate their 'trunk'. Each player must try to knock over 4 water bottles. First to complete the task wins!
- **POTENTIAL ADAPTIONS:**
  - Take away 1 water bottle if it's taking too long.
  - Allow kids to use their hands to swing the panty hose if it is too difficult.



Ready, set, GO!

## (VIDEO: FUN MUSIC)

That was awesome!

**The next 15 minutes will be game rotations. Work with your campus coordinator to know how to execute best for your campus (suggestions below). Each game will be 4 minutes with 1 minute to rotate and explain the game.**

But you know what...this is 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY FUNDAY and the last day in KidCity in your current grade, so you know that we can't just do ONE game. We are actually going to do something a little different and we are going to split you guys up to rotate through 3 different games. Let's get into groups...

*Once in groups, start the 4 countdown timer so groups stay on track. Repeat after each rotation.*

*Suggested ways to do the rotations:*

- *Large campuses (more than 36 kids in a room): Split the room in half, and then split each half into 3 teams. Have two sets of game rotations per room. Consider having one consistent leader per game so they can quickly get groups playing.*
- *Smaller campuses: Split into K-1, 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> groups. Consider having one consistent leader per game so they can quickly get groups playing.*

## (SLIDE: 4 MINUTE START THE PARTY COUNTDOWN)

### ROTATION #1 (4 minutes)

#### STRETCH Pictionary

**("Game Explanation" Printout - 1, "Pictionary Prompts" - 1 set precut, Yard stick with marker attached to end - 1, Butcher paper, Tape)**

**HOW TO PLAY:**

- **CHOOSE VOLUNTEERS.** Choose 2 volunteers. Either split the group into two team teams or all work together.
- **EXPLAIN GAME.** Either tape the paper to the wall or lay flat on ground and have drawers stand up. Players will go one at a time. They will have a marker taped to the end of a yardstick and will have to use that to try to draw their prompts. Give each contestant 30 seconds to draw their prompt and have their team guess. Switch players and prompts after 30 seconds.



## ROTATION #2 (4 minutes)

### FLIP FLOP SKI BALL

("Game Explanation" Printout - 1, Pair of flip flop - 1, buckets or hoops - 3)

#### HOW TO PLAY:

- **SPLIT INTO 2 TEAMS.** Set up the hoops or buckets in a line. Give the first person on each team a flip flop.
- **EXPLAIN GAME.** On GO, kids will put the flip flop on their foot and try to flip it into the hoop/bucket. If they land it, that team gets one point. No points if missed. After flipping, players must retrieve the flip flop and pass it to the next player in line. Continue until time is up

## ROTATION #3 (4 minutes)

### PIN THE TAIL ON THE DONKEY

("Game Explanation" Printout - 1, "Donkey" and "Donkey Tail" Activity Pages - 6-12 donkey tails OR [Order Kit](#), Blindfold, scotch tape)

#### HOW TO PLAY:

- **SET UP GAME.** Tape Donkey to wall at eye level to kids.
- **EXPLAIN GAME.** One at a time, blindfold kids, spin them their age (6 years old=6 spins), and have them try to put their tail where it belongs on the donkey. Be sure to scotch tape the back of the tails. Closest wins!
- **REPEAT...as time allows.**

## GOSPEL (15 Minutes)

(No Supplies)

That was so much fun! I love that we can have fun at church because you know what? We have so much to celebrate! We are loved by the Creator of the Universe, and we can have a right relationship with Him. Check out this video...

**(VIDEO: 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY FUNDAY - TOY GOSPEL - 4 Minutes)**

God's greatest gift was Jesus. Imagine this...it's nighttime, it's pitch black, AND you have your eyes closed. That's SERIOUSLY dark. Can you guys' picture that? If you were in that situation for a while, you might actually start to feel a little anxious or scared. You could almost start to think that there will never be light again.

That's what the world was like before God gave us Jesus. Everyone in the world was stumbling around in the dark. Lost.

We call that darkness a name...we call it sin.



So, here's the deal, it wasn't always that way. The world wasn't always dark with sin. When God first made the universe and everything in it, it was filled with His glorious light! His very presence in the world was a billion times brighter than the sun and His glory and love filled everything and everyone! Imagine that!

But something happened....the first man and woman deceived themselves into thinking that they could be like God. They disobeyed God. With that one act of disobedience, they broke the perfect world God had made. The darkness of sin entered the world and separated us from God's light. Everyone sins and everyone is separated from God. Sin is anything we think, say, or do that breaks God's law or makes Him sad. There is nothing that we can do on our own to stumble out of the dark and into God's light again. We need a rescuer.

For thousands of years, it was dark. I mean, there was still the sun and fire and stuff like that, but without a relationship with God, people walked around lost in the darkness of sin.

**BUT GOD....**

God sent Jesus to save us. His coming was like a brilliant light shining through the darkness. It meant that one day we can have a right relationship with God again. We can once again be filled with God's light.

Jesus came to earth, He taught us how to love God and love others, and then He chose to take the punishment of our sin upon himself. He died on the cross, was buried for 3 days, but then rose again! Because Jesus died for us, we are able to have a right relationship with Him again!

Check this out...

**(SLIDE: GOD...)**

God loved, God Gave, We Believe, and We Receive. Let's say them together on the count of three. Ready? One, two, three... *(Say it together)*

Even though we all choose to sin, and that sin keeps us from God, God still loves us. **GOD LOVED.**

He gave us His son, Jesus, to take the punishment of our sin upon Himself. **GOD GAVE.**

We believe that we cannot be our own rescuers. We believe that we need a Savior, and that Savior is Jesus. **WE BELIEVE.**

Finally, to receive the gift of eternal life with God, we trust that the only way to have a right relationship with God is through believing in Jesus and trusting God with our lives. **WE RECEIVE.**

If you've already made the decision to trust Jesus as your Lord and Savior - awesome! There's nothing in this world that will ever separate you from God's love again. But if you haven't made that decision, and you feel God stirring inside of you towards making that decision, I'm going to pray a prayer. The words themselves aren't magical. The words themselves can't save you and make you have a right relationship with God. God knows you inside and out and knows if you



mean them with your heart. If you mean the words with your heart, then you will have a right relationship with God.

Let's pray.

*"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."*

If you prayed that prayer and you meant it in your heart, then you are a part of God's family! That's GOOD NEWS! Be sure to tell your small group leader and your parents that you made this really important decision. Your small group leader is actually going to ask you guys when you go to group in a second if anyone made this decision for the very first time.

Ok, go ahead and head into your small groups!





# SMALL GROUP

(10 Minutes)

Ask kids if anyone made the decision to follow Jesus for the very first time. It's an important decision that you only have to make once - and it's worth celebrating! It's a BIG deal!

Use the space below to write the first and last names and grades of any kids who have indicated that they have made that decision today. **BEFORE YOU LEAVE, RIP OFF THIS PAGE AND GIVE IT TO YOUR COACH/STAFF MEMBER SO THEY CAN FOLLOW UP THIS WEEK WITH THE PARENTS OF KIDS WHO HAVE MADE THAT DECISION.**

<u>FIRST NAME</u>	<u>LAST NAME</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>SERVICE TIME</u>

## DUCK DUCK GOOSE

(No Supplies)

What You Do:

- Have kids sit in a circle. Choose one to be the 'ducker.'
- The ducker will go around the circle touching each person's head while saying 'Duck'.
- Randomly, they will say 'Goose'. Whoever they touched while saying Goose will get up and try to tag the ducker.
- The ducker will run around the circle and try to sit in the empty space before being tagged.



# ALL MY NEIGHBORS

(No Supplies)

- Form a circle and have the kids sit.
- 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 stand up and find a new spot in the circle, including the caller. It might be a bit crazy! There should only be one person left standing without a spot.
- The person left without a cone becomes the caller. Be creative with commands.

