

Games

Game 1: Queen of Sheba's Treasure Hunt

Objective: Learn about the wealth and wisdom of King Solomon by discovering treasures during a scavenger hunt.

Number of Players: 4-10

Materials Needed:

- Index cards
- Pictures or miniature items representing gold, spices, and jewels
- Pencils
- Treasure chest or box

Setup:

1. Before the game begins, adults or organizers place pictures and items around the designated room or outdoor space.
2. On each index card, write a clue related to a location in the room or one of the items hidden.

Instructions:

1. Begin by reading 1 Kings 10:1-13, focusing on the exchange between Solomon and the Queen of Sheba.
2. Players are divided into small teams.
3. Each team receives the first clue leading to a hidden treasure item.
4. Teams follow the clues in sequence, locating each treasure, which represents the gifts the Queen of Sheba brought Solomon.
5. Place all found treasure in the treasure chest.
6. The first team to gather all items and deliver them to the leader wins.

Reinforcement:

This activity emphasizes the story of the Queen's visit to Solomon. By searching for treasures, children learn about the wealth and wisdom exchanged during the Queen's visit.

Game 2: Solomon's Wisdom Challenge

Objective: Understand King Solomon's knowledge and problem-solving abilities through a quiz game.

Number of Players: 4-8

Materials Needed:

- Quiz questions based on 1 Kings 10 (simple version for kids)
- Scorecards
- A bell or buzzer for answering

Setup:

1. Prepare 10-15 quiz questions based on King Solomon's wisdom and achievements.

2. Arrange chairs in a circle and place the bell in the center.

Instructions:

1. Read 1 Kings 10:1-13 to set the context.
2. Players sit in a circle.
3. Each player takes turns answering questions.
4. If a player cannot answer, others can ring the bell to respond.
5. Correct answers earn points, and the player with most points after all questions wins.

Reinforcement:

This game focuses on Solomon's wisdom, encouraging children to think and recall Bible facts. It also develops quick thinking and decision-making skills, reflecting Solomon's legendary wisdom.

Game 3: Role Play Skit

Objective: Retell the visit of the Queen of Sheba to Solomon through a short skit, understanding the interaction and cultural exchange.

Number of Players: 6-10

Materials Needed:

- Simple costumes (robes, crowns, headpieces)
- Script based on 1 Kings 10:1-13 (simplified for kids)
- Props (toy gold, containers with spices, plastic jewels)

Setup:

1. Write a simple script capturing the main points of the story.
2. Assign roles: King Solomon, Queen of Sheba, attendants, narrators.
3. Arrange costumes and props.

Instructions:

1. Read 1 Kings 10:1-13, then divide roles among players.
2. Players practice a brief skit using the script.
3. Perform for each other or a different class group.
4. Discuss what each character experienced during the story.

Reinforcement:

By embodying the characters and their interactions, children deepen their understanding of the story's events and biblical characters. The role play helps solidify their knowledge through active learning.