

Requirements

- 1. Own or have use of a Bible.
- 2. Name the two major parts of the Bible and name the four gospels. Show where the gospels are located in the Bible.
- 3. Read or listen to three or more of the stories about Jesus found in the gospels. Suggestions include:
 - a. Jesus is born Luke 2:1-20 & Matthew 2:1-12
 - b. Jesus is baptized Matthew 3:13-17
 - c. Jesus tells stories (such as Lost sheep, coin, and son in Luke 15 or
 - d. Jesus heals people
 - e. Jesus dies and is resurrected
- 4. Explain two Bible verses about being saved by Jesus, such as:
 - a. Matthew 22:37-39
 - b. 1 John 1:9
 - c. Isaiah 1:18
 - d. Romans 6:23
 - e. John 3:16
- 5. Tell a story about Jesus to a family member or friend. Tell them why Jesus is special to you.

Supporting Answers

- In a day of devices, be aware that there are many ways that a young people can have use of a Bible. If anything, suggest to parents what kinds of translations and easy-read Bibles are available for their 2nd graders. (ERV, NIRV, NLT and other versions are written at a 3rd grade reading level, which is within the reading and comprehension range for many Sunbeams.
- 2. The two major parts of the Bible are the Old Testament and the New Testament. The books known as the gospels are Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.
- 3. Intentionally, this requirement meshes with My God: God's Plan to Save Me A & B. Plan to do this award alongside and in support of those requirements.
- 4. "Explain" is a challenging skill that 2nd graders will need to mimic their leaders in doing. If possible, family groups each read and explore one passage. Then bring back reports and discoveries to the larger group of Sunbeams. If exploring all passages as one group, follow steps such as the following Steps:
 - Read each Bible text, explain each text (answer the question for each one),
 - then help them choose their favorite text that they think says "This one shows how I am saved by Jesus!"

Note: This is NOT a call for baptism BUT can began to guide hearts towards submission and surrender to Jesus!

5. This is NOT meant to be a "worship thought" for Adventurers, but rather training 2nd graders to tell the story of Jesus to someone other than their classmates or teacher. Practice makes perfect.

Remember that their stories will be short and may not keep all the facts straight. A 1-minute story is great! In fact, some "overly verbal" will need help telling a SHORT story!

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