

BIBLE SKILLS FOR KIDS

YOUNGER PRESCHOOLERS

OLDER PRESCHOOLERS

KNOWLEDGE

THE BIBLE'S TEACHING ABOUT SALVATION

Associate God and Jesus with the Bible.

Understand that the Bible tells that God sent Jesus to earth.

THE RELIABILITY OF THE BIBLE

Hear that the Bible is a special book.

Know everything in the Bible is true. Understand that God's words in the Bible will never go away.

THE MESSAGE OF THE BIBLE

Hear that the Bible tells about God and Jesus.

Understand that the Bible teaches us what God and Jesus are like.

THE INSPIRATION OF THE BIBLE

Hear that God told people to write the Bible.

Learn that God told people what to write in the Bible.

THE BIBLE'S TEACHING ABOUT JESUS

Hear that the Bible tells about Jesus.

Hear that the Bible teaches that Jesus lived on earth, died on the cross, God made Him live again, and He is now in heaven.

THE AUTHORITY OF THE BIBLE

Hear that the Bible helps people know what to do.

Understand that the Bible teaches right and wrong. Hear that the Bible teaches people how God wants them to live.

SKILLS

IDENTIFY THE OLD & NEW TESTAMENTS

Know the Bible is a book.

Know there are two main parts of the Bible—the Old Testament and the New Testament.

PRONOUNCE THE NAMES OF BIBLE PEOPLE & PLACES

Hear names of some of the people in the Bible.

Begin to pronounce the names of people in the Bible. Say the names of some Bible places.

LOCATE THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE

Touch, hold, and turn the pages of the Bible.

Begin to recognize names of books in the Bible. Open the Bible to a marked (specific) verse or passage.

MEMORIZE BIBLE VERSES

Hear Bible words and phrases. Say some Bible words and repeat short phrases.

Remember and say simple Bible words, phrases, and verses with Bible references.

LOCATE BIBLE VERSES AND PASSAGES

Listen to brief Bible stories. Point to the Bible and pictures of Jesus.

Begin to turn to verse and story references. Remember and retell a familiar Bible story or Bible fact. Begin to understand that a Bible reference includes a book, chapter, and verse.

RESEARCH BIBLE AUTHORS

Hear that people in the Bible told about God.

Begin to understand that people wrote God's words in the Bible.

NAME BIBLE DIVISIONS (LOCATION)

Hear what happened before and after Jesus was born.

Hear that similar books in the Old and New Testaments are grouped together.

NAME/IDENTIFY BIBLE GENRES (WRITING STYLE)

Hear that the Bible includes poems, songs, letters, and stories.

Hear that the Bible has poems, songs, letters, and stories about people and events.

RECITE BIBLE BOOKS IN ORDER

Hear the names of Bible books.

Name a few Bible books in order.

USE BIBLE REFERENCE TOOLS

See the Bible used to tell a story. Help open the Bible. Turn Bible pages.

Begin to use simple tools (printed and digital resources) for Bible discovery. Open the Bible to a Bible book. Find Bible places on a map.

ASSOCIATE BIBLE PEOPLE WITH SPECIFIC BOOKS

Hear the names of God, Jesus, and some Bible people.

Recall the names of familiar Bible people. Say Bible book names.

APPLICATION

APPLY THE BIBLE

Hear Bible verses that relate to everyday activities.

Begin to understand how Bible verses apply to life.

PRACTICE DAILY BIBLE READING

Hear Bible verses and stories read from a Bible. See and hold a Bible.

Use the Bible at home with family members.

TELL OTHERS ABOUT THE MESSAGE OF THE BIBLE

Help open the Bible. Say the word *Bible*.

Learn when, where, and how to tell others about God and Jesus. Use the Bible at church, home, and other places to tell about God and Jesus.

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THE BIBLE'S TEACHING ABOUT SALVATION

Know the Bible tells that God sent Jesus to earth because He loves all people.

Know the Bible tells about God's plan to rescue us.

THE RELIABILITY OF THE BIBLE

Understand that Bible truths will last forever.

Understand that the truths in the Bible are without error and will never change.

THE MESSAGE OF THE BIBLE

Know the Bible helps people know more about God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit.

Know the Bible is God's revelation about Himself and how He rescues and transforms us.

THE INSPIRATION OF THE BIBLE

Understand that God told the writers of the Bible what to write.

Understand that the Bible is the only inspired, written Word of God.

THE BIBLE'S TEACHING ABOUT JESUS

Know the Bible teaches that Jesus died on a cross, was buried, and was raised from the dead.

Know the Bible teaches God's gift of salvation came through Jesus' sinless life, death, and resurrection.

THE AUTHORITY OF THE BIBLE

Understand that the Bible teaches people how God wants them to live.

Understand that the Bible teaches people how to live in a way that brings glory to God.

IDENTIFY THE OLD & NEW TESTAMENTS

Locate the two main parts of the Bible—the Old Testament and the New Testament—and identify some books in each part.

Name all the books of the Old Testament and all the books of the New Testament.

PRONOUNCE THE NAMES OF BIBLE PEOPLE & PLACES

Pronounce some of the names of Bible people, places, and things mentioned in the Bible.

Pronounce most of the names of Bible people, places, and things mentioned in the Bible.

LOCATE THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE

Locate many books in the Bible without assistance.

Locate all the books of the Bible in a limited time frame.

MEMORIZE BIBLE VERSES

Memorize individual Bible verses.

Memorize Bible passages and quote individual verses when given the reference.

LOCATE BIBLE VERSES AND PASSAGES

Recall the contents of specific books.
Locate and read specific passages with assistance.

Locate from memory key passages and Bible verses in a limited time frame.

RESEARCH BIBLE AUTHORS

Identify the names of the writers of specific Bible books.

Use Bible study resources to gather information about Bible writers.

NAME BIBLE DIVISIONS (LOCATION)

Name the divisions of the Old and New Testaments.

Name the divisions of the Old and New Testaments in a limited time frame and identify books in each division.

NAME/IDENTIFY BIBLE GENRES (WRITING STYLE)

Name the genres of the Bible.

Name the genres of the Bible and identify books in each genre.

RECITE BIBLE BOOKS IN ORDER

Know some of the books of the Bible in order, and pronounce names of some Bible books.

Know and recite all the books of the Bible in order in a limited time frame.

USE BIBLE REFERENCE TOOLS

Locate all books of the Bible using the table of contents page. Use other tools for learning from the Bible, including Bible-learning apps, Bible dictionaries, and maps.

Use other resources to enrich Bible skills and knowledge (Bible dictionary, commentary, concordance, atlas, and digital sources).

ASSOCIATE BIBLE PEOPLE WITH SPECIFIC BOOKS

Locate the names of prominent Bible people in the books where their stories are recorded.

Correlate prominent Bible people with the books in which their stories are recorded.

APPLY THE BIBLE

Understand and apply truths from a Bible verse.

Identify and apply biblical principles to personal and social issues.

PRACTICE DAILY BIBLE READING

Use the Bible for personal Bible reading.

Establish the discipline of daily Bible reading.

TELL OTHERS ABOUT THE MESSAGE OF THE BIBLE

Know how to use the Bible to tell someone about God and Jesus.

Tell others the meaning of a verse or passage. Know how to use the Bible to tell someone the gospel.

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