VBX 2025

MAGNIFIED!



VBS will encourage kids to look closely at the details of God's amazing world and magnify, or proclaim, the greatness of God. God made us, cares about us, loves us, forgives us, and is faithful to keep all His promises to us. We can praise God together! We were made to magnify God! (VBX PRETEEN Bible Study Leader Guide, page 3.)

PREPARE: Ask God to make your heart ready. Read the devotions at the beginning of each session. Learn about the Preteens you are getting ready to teach! Pages 4-5 in your Director's Guide give an excellent overview of what they are like mentally, physically and spiritually. They are no longer children and not quite teenagers! Such a unique group! **Pray** for the precious kids you will be connecting with!

PLAN: Meet with your VBS Director. Check all resources available (see below). Gather supplies. Pray!

- The Bible (most important resource, always teach from an actual Bible, not an app on your phone. Encourage gamers to bring their Bibles and make a plan to provide a Bible for any child who does not have one at home.)
- VBS 2025 VBX Preteen Leader Guide (contains checklists, decorating ideas, Daily Lessons, and lists of supplies needed. A must have for your team planning!) Everything you could possibly need to lead is in this book! Some pages that I find important to begin studying right away!

Page 6 - VBX Checklist

Page 7 - Decoration options

Page 7/8 - Supplies List

 VBS 2025 VBX Preteen Leader Pack (contains colorful and fun posters, questions, response cards and handouts to use with each lesson)

- VBS 2025 VBX Preteen Activity Book (designed for preteens to give a daily overview for each day's Bible story. Also contains fun challenges and activities to engage preteens and reenforce what they have learned.)
- VBS 2025 Memory Maker (mnemonic device made of daily tags to help preteens remember each day's Bible story)
- VBS 2025 Music for Kids CD
- Lifeway.com/VBS order resources for VBS 2025!

TEACH:

VBX 3-Hour Schedule:

- Worship Rally (30 minutes)
- Excite (20 minutes)
- Snack (15 minutes)
- Explore (30 minutes)
- VBX Crafts (25 minutes)
- Missions (20 minutes)
- Excel (20 minutes)
- VBX Recreation (20 minutes)

Here's an overview of what you will do daily. The plan is a bit different from Grades K-4...which makes sense! You know, inbeTWEENS.

Excite introduces the theme and daily Bible content with an icebreaker game and introductory activity. There are several options to choose from each day.

Explore engages preteens in the Bible story and makes the Bible connection to daily life. The Bible story is presented and preteens complete an assignment in their activity book. This is the core content. **Small Group Time** includes the opportunity to discuss the "Small Group Discussion Questions" each day. Remember to pair preteens who are more familiar with the Bible with those who are not. **Use these plans no matter what else you choose to include**.

Excel reviews the Bible story and life application for the day. There are several options to choose from. Here, preteens return to the large group.

<u>Please</u> contact me if you have ANY questions! I would LOVE to help you plan and make this opportunity the BEST for your inbeTWEENS!

Serving with you,

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