



Need to Know:

I Should Share What I Know With Everyone!

Bible Story:

Philip and the Ethiopian
Acts 8:26-40

Materials:

- ✿ Wild Word Searches
- ✿ Writing Utensils
- ✿ Word Search Answer Sheet
- ✿ Safari Sunglasses
- ✿ Bible Story Picture Cards
- ✿ Deck of Cards
- ✿ Wild Card Rules
- ✿ Candy
- ✿ Hand Sanitizer
- ✿ Filler Guide

Memory Verse:

"Be good (two thumbs up)

to me, your servant,
(thumbs to chest)

so that I may live (arms outstretched above head)

to obey your word.
(make book with hands)

Open my eyes (point to eyes)

so that I can see (place hand above eyes)

all the wonderful things
(two thumbs up)

in your teachings."
(make book with hands)

Get Their Attention! (10 min)

Materials: Wild Word Search, Writing Utensils, Word Search Answer Sheet, Safari Sunglasses

INTRODUCE yourself & WELCOME kids to church! SAY:

Today is our last day out in the wild on an African safari! Before we get started, let's pray together (have kids bow heads & close eyes as you pray):

Dear God, thank you for giving us the Bible and for all the wonderful things we've seen inside of it. Help us to share what we know about the Bible with everyone! We love you! Amen.

ASK each child to SHARE his/her name & their favorite memory from this series.

- ✿ If this is a child's first Sunday, ask them what they would want to see in the wild on a safari.

THANK kids for SHARING & INTRODUCE them to what we are learning today:

We can all share what we know with others—like what we've had fun doing at church, and what we read in the Bible. So here's what we Need to Know today: I Should Share What I Know With Everyone!

I've got a word search of some things we've seen out in the wild. While you're doing the word search, I'll give you each the chance to tell me the verse we've been remembering from the Bible this series. Let's practice it together first.

PRACTICE saying the memory verse (on next page) with kids several times, and then GIVE each child a Wild Word Search & writing utensil. Kids can check answers on the Word Search Answer Sheet when finished.

ASK kids individually to tell you the memory verse to win a pair of Safari Sunglasses.

- ✿ If a child wants to say verse, but has trouble, help him/her, then reward.

Bible Story (5 min)

Materials: Bible Story Picture Cards

READ "Philip and the Ethiopian" from Bible Story Picture Cards and then ASK:

1. **Was the important official from nearby or far away?** (Far away. This means he probably looked a lot different from Philip)
2. **What did the Ethiopian official need help with?** (Understanding what the Bible said)
3. **Who can you ask for help you when you don't understand something you read in the Bible?** (Parents, small group leaders, older siblings, etc.)
4. **Who shared what he knew with the official?** (Philip)
5. **What are some things you know about the Bible and Jesus?**
6. **True or False: You can share what you know with everyone.** (True)
7. **When you know something about the Bible or about Jesus, who can you share it with?** (Friends, siblings, family, neighbors, teachers, etc.)

REPEAT what we Need to Know together one more time.

Application Summary:

Kids will try to play "Wild Card", but the leader will not share all of the rules with the group. The kids will learn that just like the leader should have shared what he/she knew about the rules of the game, we should share what we know about the Bible with everyone!

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Application Activity (10 min)

Materials: Deck of Cards, Wild Card Rules, Candy, Hand Sanitizer

1. Make sure kids are sitting in a circle.
2. Deal the **Deck of Cards** to the group until all the cards are used.
3. Use the **Wild Card Rules** to explain rules 1-4 to the group.
4. Allow kids to start playing the game, but you play by rules 5-7 as well (without telling the kids).
5. Play until there are several occurrences of rules 5-7 or kids begin to protest.
6. Tell the group:

Do you feel like you know all the rules for this game? (No)

What would have helped you? (If the leader had explained ALL the rules)

We will play again, but this time, I am going to SHARE the rules that I know with you BEFORE we play!

7. Re-deal the cards and explain ALL the rules of the game. Play until there is a winner.
8. Reward the winner with TWO pieces of **Candy** and the rest of the group with ONE piece. **Sanitize** hands before eating.

REVIEW by saying:

Would it have been helpful for me to share the rules I knew with everyone? (Yes)

Just like I should have shared what I knew with everyone in the group to play this game, we should share what we know about the Bible with everyone!

We never know how what WE know about the Bible can help somebody else. What's something you know about the Bible or about Jesus that you can share with someone this week?

REPEAT what we Need to Know together one more time.

Wrap It Up (5 min)

Materials: Filler Guide

DISCUSS the following questions and **USE Filler Guide** for remaining time:

1. ***Did you have fun today? What did you learn?***
2. ***In large group, was Alex willing to share what he knew? (No, he lied to get Quinn into the wild, and was not willing to show him the way back)***
3. ***Have you been reading your book of Mark or your Bible? What wonderful things have you seen in it?***