

Day 1 Discovery Center: Copy Cats

DIRECTIONS

Explorers use the various writing implements to copy the words “God” and “Bible” on the various materials.

TEACHING TIE-IN

The Bible has been written or copied on many different kinds of materials over

the years: rocks (think about the Ten Commandments!), clay, parchment, papyrus, and paper. The original writings were perfect! We can trust every word of the Bible because every word comes from God, who cannot lie. We know the Bible is true!

Day 1 Touch Table: Let it Snow!

DIRECTIONS

Explorers play with the “snow.”

TEACHING TIE-IN

Isn't it fun to play in our pretend snow? It's amazing to think that when snow-

flakes fall outside, every one is different and unique. Each is one-of-a-kind, and so is the Bible! It's the coolest, most unique book ever because it's written by God Himself and it's perfect! No other book is like it!

Day 1 Dramatic Play: ACE (Arctic Circle Exploration) Company

DIRECTIONS

Pretend to be explorers in the Arctic getting ready to set out on an exploration.

TEACHING TIE-IN

Did you see the bear looking in the window—Blizzard our polar bear? Polar

bears are unique Arctic animals. They don't live in the wild anywhere else in the world. But they're not the only thing that's unique. The Bible is unique, too. There's no other book like it because it's written by God!

Day 1 Coloring Corner: 2 Timothy 3:16

DIRECTIONS

Color the sheet. Add additional supplies if desired.

TEACHING TIE-IN

Practice saying the memory verse on the sheet. Discuss its meaning.

Day 2 Discovery Center: Caterpillar/Butterfly

DIRECTIONS

Explorers try to figure out which caterpillar turns into which butterfly by matching the numbers on the cards.

TEACHING TIE-IN

Isn't it amazing how God designed caterpillars to turn into butterflies? They

look like a whole new creature! On the outside, a person may not look much different—certainly not like that big change caterpillars make when becoming butterflies! But when a person becomes God's child, he (or she) will be changed in how they act. Over time, God will teach His children to be more loving and kind and patient.

Day 2 Touch Table: Bunny Tails

DIRECTIONS

Explorers see how many "bunny tails" (cotton balls) they can pick up with the tongs while wearing mittens. Another idea is to make a game out of it by seeing who can fill a small plastic baggie with the most cotton balls in the allotted time. They must wear mittens and use tongs as they do so.

TEACHING TIE-IN

Look at all these bunny tails! Did you know our animal pal today is part of the

rabbit family? It's an Arctic hare, and it changes colors depending on the season. When it's summer, the Arctic hare is brown. When it's winter, it's white.

God changes us in ways, too. We don't change colors! (Can you imagine if we did?) But if we're part of God's family, God is working inside us all the time to help us become more and more like His Son, Jesus, in the way we act.

Day 2 Dramatic Play: ACE (Arctic Circle Exploration) Company

DIRECTIONS

Dress up and pretend to be Arctic explorers.

TEACHING TIE-IN

Explorers in the Arctic need strong lights because it's very dark, even during

the day. But a light makes all the difference! The Bible tells us that it is like a light, too. That doesn't mean it's an actual light, but that when people read the Bible, they see how life should be. It lights the way!

Day 2 Coloring Corner: Psalm 119:105

DIRECTIONS

Color the sheet. Add additional supplies if desired.

TEACHING TIE-IN

Practice saying the memory verse on the sheet. Discuss its meaning.

Day 3 Discovery Center: This Rocks!

DIRECTIONS

Explorers check out the different rocks/gemstones with the magnifying glasses.

TEACHING TIE-IN

How do you like all these rocks, explorers? There are lots of valuable rocks and treasures that Arctic explorers look for, like gold and diamonds. But you know what? Nothing's a greater treasure than the Bible. It's the greatest treasure on earth!

Day 3 Touch Table: No Stand in the Sand

DIRECTIONS

Explorers build a house on the sand and play there.

TEACHING TIE-IN

Do you think it would be a good idea to build a real house on sand? Wouldn't it be better to build it on something that doesn't move or change? One thing that never changes is God's Word—the Bible. It's like a rock—we can count on it!

Day 3 Dramatic Play: ACE (Arctic Circle Exploration) Company

DIRECTIONS

Dress up and pretend to be Arctic explorers. Pretend the paper plates/paper are chunks of ice. The explorers try to hop through the hopscotch course without touching any “ice” (paper plates/paper).

TEACHING TIE-IN

When you go on your exploring mission today, be careful to stay on solid ground and not walk on the cracking, breaking ice! That’s dangerous! It’s always shifting and changing. It’s cool to know that the Bible never changes. God doesn’t change His mind and put different meanings in the Bible. If He said something, it will always be true forever. It’s like solid ground—it stays steady!

Day 3 Coloring Corner: Matthew 7:24

DIRECTIONS

Color the sheet. Add additional supplies if desired.

TEACHING TIE-IN

Practice saying the memory verse on the sheet. Discuss its meaning.

Day 4 Discovery Center: Letters Galore

DIRECTIONS

Explorers write a letter to someone to tell them God loves them.

TEACHING TIE-IN

From the very beginning of the Bible to the very end, we see God loves us and sent His Son, Jesus. Let's write someone a letter to share that good news about the Bible's message of love!

Day 4 Touch Table: Ice Cold

DIRECTIONS

Explorers play with the cold supplies.

TEACHING TIE-IN

Brrr! It sure is cold in the Arctic! But did you know when God first made the world, the Arctic wasn't super cold like it is now?

Day 4 Dramatic Play: ACE (Arctic Circle Exploration) Company

DIRECTIONS

Dress up and pretend to be Arctic explorers.

TEACHING TIE-IN

Isn't it fun to receive a letter? It's especially exciting to people living in the Arctic because mail doesn't come

every day like it does to us. But they still can have the most important letter ever—the Bible. The Bible is like a letter of love that God wrote to all of us. It tells us how God loved the world so much He sent His only Son Jesus to die, that whoever believes in Him will have eternal life (John 3:16). That's the best news a letter could ever have!

Day 4 Coloring Corner: Romans 5:8

DIRECTIONS

Color the sheet. Add additional supplies if desired.

TEACHING TIE-IN

Practice saying the Bible verse on the page. Discuss its meaning.

Day 5 Discovery Center: Dogsled Team

DIRECTIONS

Explorers pretend to load the sled with supplies and pull it to a destination. Some may even want to pretend to be the dogs in front of the sled!

TEACHING TIE-IN

There's lots of exploring that goes on in the Arctic, and the explorers often

use sleds pulled by dogs to get around. These dogs are really fantastic! They're always eager and ready to go. It's hard to stop them! They're a great example to us when we think about exploring the Bible. We should be eager and excited to see what treasures are inside.

Day 5 Touch Table: Ultimate Treasure

DIRECTIONS

Explorers go on a treasure hunt through the sand to find the one Bible. When they find it, make a big deal out of the Bible being our one true treasure.

TEACHING TIE-IN

Which do you think is the greatest treasure, the money, the jewels, or the Bible? The Bible is the most precious treasure. I wouldn't trade it for all the money or jewels in the world! Isn't it amazing that God wrote us a book?

Day 5 Dramatic Play: ACE (Arctic Circle Exploration) Company

DIRECTIONS

Explorers dress up and pretend to be Arctic explorers. They can pretend to be busy tidying up the inside today.

TEACHING TIE-IN

Explorers are busy. They're out exploring, and they also have to keep their

cabins clean. In the midst of all their busyness, they need to make time to explore the most important thing of all—the Bible. Today, our Bible lesson tells about a lady named Mary who remembered to spend time hearing God's words.

Day 5 Coloring Corner: Psalm 119:162

DIRECTIONS

Color the sheet. Add additional supplies if desired.

TEACHING TIE-IN

Practice saying the Bible verse on the page. Discuss its meaning.