

With HeartShaper® Children's Curriculum, kids will develop

BIBLE SKILLS



Teaching age-appropriate Bible skills is an integral part of HeartShaper® Children's Curriculum! These critical Bible skills:

- are vital for kids to develop.
- help kids study God's Word on their own.
- will be used for the rest of their lives.
- are integrated into each lesson.
- are taught at the appropriate age levels.
- build on each other from one age level to the next.

Toddlers & 2s will ...	Preschool children will ...	Pre-K & K children will ...
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Be interested in the Bible and like to pat it and look at it.• Say some Bible words and repeat short phrases.• Begin to understand that the Bible is God's special book.• Feel love toward God, Jesus, and the Bible.• Begin to repeat Bible words.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Know the Bible is God's special book.• Know to handle the Bible carefully.• Point to and repeat simple Bible words.• Point to main characters in Bible pictures.• Recognize the word <i>Bible</i>.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Know the Bible is God's special book that tells about God and Jesus.• Know there are two parts of the Bible, an Old Testament and New Testament.• Know the Bible is made up of different books.• Know how to open and hold the Bible correctly.• Begin to read simple Bible words.• Say simple Bible verses from memory.• Retell basic facts about main Bible characters.• Begin to sequence events in main Bible stories.• Recognize by sight, words such as <i>God</i>, <i>Jesus</i>, and <i>Bible</i>.• Know simple definitions of basic Bible terms, such as <i>worship</i>, <i>pray</i>, and <i>church</i>.• Begin to recognize names of Bible books.

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Early elementary children will ...	Middle elementary kids will ...	Preteens will ...
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Begin to understand the major emphasis of the Old and New Testaments. • Learn to read and pronounce names of Old and New Testament books. • Know how to find Bible verses. • Begin to read Bible verses. • Say selected Bible verses from memory. • Identify Old and New Testament main characters. • Develop Bible reading comprehension skills. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Begin to understand the chronology of Bible events, that there's an overall story or theme to the Bible, that history is God's story. • Better understand the structure of the Bible. • Navigate within the Bible (both a printed Bible and a digital Bible) to find stories or verses or topics they want to know more about. • Learn the major emphasis of the Old and New Testaments. • Begin to understand the major emphasis of each division of books in the Old and New Testaments. • Grasp why it's important to read and study the Bible. • Learn how to use a Bible dictionary (printed, online, and app). • Feel increasingly confident when using the Bible. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See the Bible as God's Word and accept its absolute truth. • Recognize that there are different Bible translations and understand some of the differences. • Find verses in the Bible with increased ease and speed. • Read and explain Bible verses and apply them to everyday life. • Use a Bible dictionary, Bible map, and concordance (printed, online, or app) to better understand Scripture texts. • Locate, read, and paraphrase or summarize Bible verses. • Memorize selected Bible passages and talk about their meaning. • Value time spent reading God's Word and use the skills they have acquired in personal Bible study.
<p>Optional Bible skills for early elementary children</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn to use the table of contents in a Bible. • Understand what the punctuation marks mean in a Scripture reference. • Find books, chapters, and verses in a Bible. • Put a simple series of Bible events and people in chronological order. • Begin to understand general divisions of Bible books (history, poetry, prophets and kings, Jesus' life, letters). 	<p>Optional Bible skills for middle elementary kids</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Memorize Old and New Testament books. • Memorize Old and New Testament divisions. • Learn more about the theme of each of the Bible divisions. • Locate on a Bible map where key Bible events took place. • Put key Bible events and people in chronological order. 	<p>Optional Bible skills for preteens</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • List major Old Testament events in chronological order; attach people to events. • List major New Testament events in chronological order; attach people to events. • Name the books and divisions of the Bible. • Explain the themes of Bible divisions. • Find and compare parallel Scripture passages. • Know how to use a variety of study Bible helps: cross-references, chapter intros, verse explanations, etc. • Refer to Scripture when discussing personal faith.