



2008 Associational Children's Bible Drill



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Responsibilities of the Associational Bible Drill Coordinator

BEFORE THE DRILL

- Use the PowerPoint presentation included on the Bible Drill Associational Resources CD to view a 12-minute presentation of your responsibilities as the Associational Bible Drill Coordinator.

- Set the date, time and location for your Association Drill. The drill should be held at least ten days prior to the State Children's Bible Drill in order to meet the state registration deadline of April 16, 2008. Communicate this information with each church Bible Drill leader in your association. Ask each church drill leader to complete the Bible Drill Registration Form following the Church Drill and promptly send it to you so that plans can be made before the Association Drill. This form was provided to the church drill leaders on the Bible Drill Church Resources CD and the form is also included on the Bible Drill Associational Resources CD.

- Enlist workers for the Association Drill. A Children's Bible Drill requires 5 workers – 1 caller, 3 judges and 1 timekeeper.

- Use the registration forms and group the participants by the version of the Bible they are using – KJV, NIV, or HCSB. Place no more than 12 children in a drill group. If more than 12 children qualified for the Association Drill, plan multiple drills. Number the participants in each drill group. Use the list of drillers to check-in participants as they arrive at the Association Drill and to give them a number card.

- Use the CD to print a warm-up drill for the caller, a drill in the correct version for each drill group, score sheets for the judges, and number cards for the participants.

THE DAY OF THE DRILL

- Set up the drill room in a way that the participants have space to step forward and can easily see and hear the caller. You may want to put tape on the floor as a line for the children to stand behind.

- Meet with the caller, judges and timekeeper and review the procedures of the drill and the scoring.

- Check-in each participant as he/she arrives and pin a number card on each child.

AFTER THE DRILL

- The caller and judges meet to tally the scores of the participants. Add the scores of all three judges and divide by 3 to determine a participant's score. Introduce each participant and present an "Associational Winner" seal or an "Associational Participant" seal. Children who score 16 or higher receive an "Associational Winner" seal and advance to the State Drill. All other children receive an "Associational Participant" seal.

- Mark the participants who are eligible for the State Drill on the registration forms. Children who give 16 or more correct responses qualify for the State Drill. Complete the Associational Report Form and mail or fax all forms to the South Carolina Baptist Convention Childhood Ministry Group. **The registration deadline is April 16, 2008.** By promptly sending these forms, adequate preparations can be made for the State Drills on April 26.

Checklist for Association Drill

- Γ List of participants in drill groups
- Γ Participant numbers and pins
- Γ Copy of drills for the caller
- Γ Stopwatch
- Γ Score sheets and pencils
- Γ Masking tape
- Γ Gold seals
- Γ Extra Drill Bibles – Holman KJV, NIV, or HCSB Drill Bible or International Bible Society NIV Worship Edition Bible

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DRILL CALLER

- At the end of each type of drill you will find an "alternate" call which may be substituted for a call if you make a mistake or if there is some commotion during a call that distracts the boys and girls.

- Try to put the participants at ease by suggesting that they take a deep breath, move their feet, wipe their hands, etc.

- Practice the cycle of commands (Attention . . . Present Bibles . . . Start) until they are natural to you.

- Speak loudly enough for all to hear and in a way that would help the participants to have confidence in you.

- Do not rush or otherwise conduct the drill in a way that would make participants lose their concentration. Pause a few seconds before saying "start" after each call.

- Call on every participant at least once. Do not always call on the child who steps out first. To keep track of who you have called on, put the participants' numbers at the top of a sheet of paper and mark off the number as you call on a participant.

- If a participant makes a mistake, you have to be the judge as to how much leniency to allow. Give the participant a chance to correct the mistake before calling on another participant to respond.

- Remind the audience not to take pictures or videos during the drill as this can be distracting to the participants. Also remind the audience to turn off cell phones and pagers.

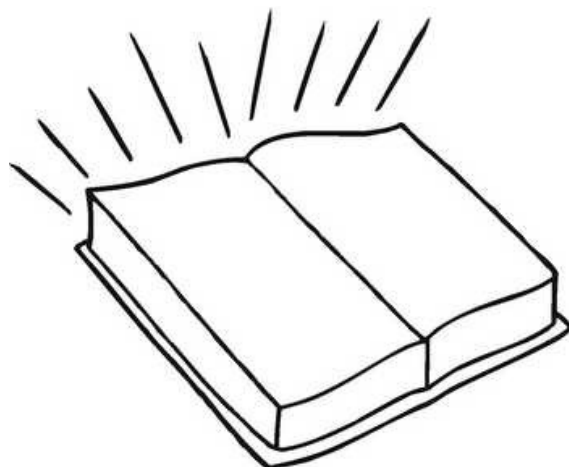
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PREPARING THE PARTICIPANTS

It is helpful to give several “warm-up” calls before you begin the actual Association Drill. These calls are not judged, however, the timekeeper will call time after **ten** seconds. This is the time for participants to ask any questions concerning the drill and its procedure.

Give these instructions to the children:

- 1) When you step forward, after finding the reference in your Bible, look at me or at your Bible.
- 2) Be sure your finger is on the reference before you step out. It may be on any part of the page in the Book Drill.
- 3) If you step forward with the wrong reference, do not step back. Just raise your hand to indicate an error.
- 4) Do not move your finger from one reference to another after you have stepped forward. Do not lift or turn pages after you have stepped out. If called on, you may ask permission to turn a page to read a verse.
- 5) When one participant is called on to read a verse, all other participants should follow the reading silently in their own Bibles.
- 6) If you have started to step out as time is called, don't hesitate. Step on out. It will be up to the judges to decide whether you had started your stepping-out motion before "time" was called.



WARM-UP DRILL - King James Version

The first two calls will be a **BOOK DRILL**. For these calls we will use our Bibles. I will give the name of a book in the Bible. When I say "start," you will find the book, place your index finger on any verse in the book named, and step forward. If called upon, you will say the name of the book before the one called, the book called, and the book following the one called. Failure to name these books in the proper order is a mistake.

Numbers

Leviticus

Numbers

Deuteronomy

2 Corinthians

1 Corinthians

2 Corinthians

Galatians

The next two calls will be a **KEY PASSAGE DRILL**. I will give you the title of a Key Passage. You will find the passage, place your index finger on any verse in the passage, and step forward. If called upon, you will state the Key Passage title and reference, and then I will ask you to read a verse within that passage.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Exodus 20:3-17

Please read verse 3.

(participant may ask to turn a page)

Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

THE CRUCIFIXION

John 19

Please read verse 16.

(participant may ask to turn a page)

Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified. And they took Jesus, and led him away.

Now, I will give two calls as a sample **QUOTATION DRILL**. We do not use the Bible for this drill. You may hold your bible or place it down near you. I will give you the reference of a verse in the Drill leaflet. If you know the verse, step forward one step when I give the command "start." If called upon, recite the verse and the reference.

Psalm 119:105

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path. Psalm 119:105

WARM-UP DRILL - King James Version

Romans 12:1

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.
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The last two calls in the Warm-up Drill will be a **COMPLETION DRILL**. I will quote the part of the verse underlined on the Bible Drill verse card. If you know the entire verse and reference, step forward at the command "start."

The grass withereth

The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.
Isaiah 40:8

And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you;

And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. Luke 11:9

After giving the participants several warm-up calls, ask the following questions.

- Can you understand my commands and calls?
- Am I giving you enough time between commands?
- Can you hear the timekeeper?
- Are there any questions you want to ask about the procedure of the drill?

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