

TEACHER TELEGRAM

Red Sea Snack

Kids will enjoy parting their own Red Sea before enjoying this tasty snack.

For each child you'll need a clear 9-ounce plastic cup filled with blue gelatin. You'll also need whipped topping, plastic spoons, and blue sugar sprinkles. Have children wash their hands or use hand sanitizer before serving this snack.

Before kids arrive, top each gelatin-filled cup with whipped topping and blue sprinkles. After a lesson on the parting of the Red Sea, serve the snack. Talk with kids about what it would've been like to be at the edge of the sea as it opened up for the Israelites. Then let kids use their clean fingers to part their own "sea" of whipped topping before diving into their yummy blue snack.

*Courtney Wilson
Vancouver, Washington*

What I Like About You

Use this activity for Valentine's Day to help kids know they're special and loved.

You'll need pink paper hearts, markers, and a red paper gift bag for each child.

Give each child a stack of hearts, equal to the number of kids in your group, and a marker. Call out the name of one child in your group, and have everyone write his or her name at the top of the heart. Then have kids write something they like about that person on the heart. When they're finished, have kids fold their hearts in half and place them in the child's red bag. Continue until everyone has been named and written about. Before kids go home, give them their red bags filled with hearts as a reminder of all the things kids at church like about them.



Lights, Camera, Action!

Using a video camera with kids at church can be a great way to enhance your time together. Consider these advantages of letting the camera roll on a video project created by the kids in your ministry.

- **Captures the Imagination**—Preparing a scene that depicts the Bible lesson or point can stir creative juices and help kids express their feelings and knowledge in an unconventional way.
- **Reinforces the Lesson**—Rehearsing a scene that reflects the Bible lesson several times will help it stick with kids for the long haul.
- **Promotes Teamwork**—Kids have to work together and discover each other's gifts and talents when they put together a video project from start to finish.
- **Increases Attendance and Participation**—When everyone has a role in producing a video, each child will feel valued and important and won't want to miss any minute of your time together.
- **Provides an Outreach Opportunity**—Your kids will be excited at the prospect of inviting their unchurched friends to attend a premiere of their video project. This offers a great opportunity to present the good news of Jesus' love as part of your morning programming.

*Cynthia Swicegood
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"Even though we're not planning on getting married for another 15 years, I figured it's never too early to start the counseling!"

KEVIN RAINS

