



# The Idea Hoarder

For the Activity Collector in You

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## Look what I found!



**Game:**

**NOODLE n' HOOPS**

Suspend hula hoops from the ceiling or other support. Suspended ceiling hooks work great, as do basketball goals. Using three sizes of hoops (look at Dollar General) will create three skill levels. Give kids a pool noodle and mark off a throw line. The object is to get the noodle through the hoop in a javelin-like throw. Start with the hoop still; then, you can swing it, and finally spin it. Emphasize that there is only one way to score. Get the noodle all the way through the hoop. Taps don't count. Bounce-offs do not count. Now share the game's point. There is only one way to heaven and that is through Jesus Christ the Son. You cannot go around him. You can't just "sort of" be close but fall short. Just like the game got harder when we made the target complicated, it's easy to be confused by big words, so share the gospel simply!



**Craft:**

**CODE BRACELETS**

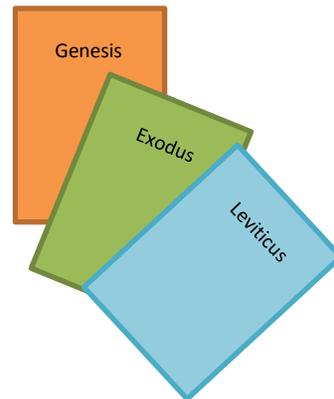
Give each child five ¼" wide rubber bands (fat ones!) Use hymnals, or DVD cases, as a frame to stretch the bands around. Keep them side by side in a tight group. Have kids write a simple phrase about Christ in thick letters across all of the bands ("God sent His Son" or "He is Risen"). Use permanent markers to avoid smearing. Take the first band off the frame, and write on the inside of it "Romans 3:23". On the second band, write "Romans 6:23. Continue labeling each band with the next passage of the Roman Road method of explaining salvation. It might help the kids to number the Roman Road for easy use. Now have kids put all the bands on their wrist. If someone asks what the bands "say", they have a chance to share about Jesus and how He loves us even though we all have sinned.



**Bible Skill:**

**SLAP STACK**

A version of the game "slap jack" played with cards that have the names of the books of the Bible. To play, deal all of the cards out, making each child a "deck" and making sure that the kids do not look at the cards. Before play begins, stack the division cards face down near the center. Turn over a division card. Only the books of this division should be slapped, or quickly covered by the hand of a player to claim the stack of cards underneath it. Each player takes turns rapidly laying down the next card in their deck without looking at it until it is placed in the center stack. If at any time a player lays down a card with a book from the division showing, all players try to slap the deck first. The player with the most cards wins. Change divisions and play again. It's hard to switch your brain to a new division!



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