



# The Idea Hoarder

For the Activity Collector in You

Dear Miss Idea Hoarder! Share any ideas, ask questions ... or make confessions to [ideahoarder@mmarksclassroom.com](mailto:ideahoarder@mmarksclassroom.com)

## Look what I found!

### Art

### Create a mobile

- Provide plastic hangers, hole punch, yarn, magazine pictures of people, animals, building, and plants
- Cut the yarn into 24 inch pieces
- Punch a hole in the top of each picture
- Provide a sample of the mobile telling children theirs will be similar but each will be different as they will choose their own pictures and color of yarn.
- Place all materials on a table or on the floor where children will work

Each child chooses a hanger and six (6) pieces of yarn along with six (6) different pictures. As children work to tie their yarn to the hanger and attach their picture to the other end, remind children that people help each other just as in the Bible Jesus helped people.



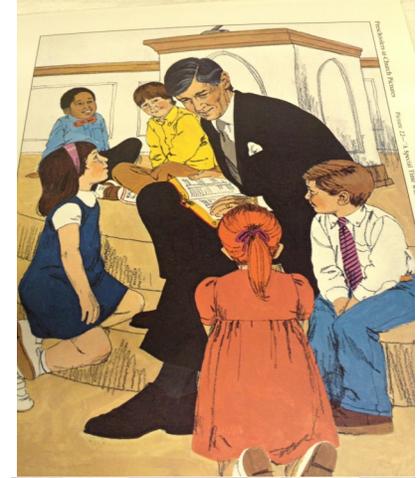
### Group time

### Special Guest

Invite a special guest to tell the Bible story. This could be the pastor, music director, or someone who has a special talent that goes along with the session emphasis. If you have a physician, dentist, cake decorator, seamstress, etc., their vocation can add another dimension to the session emphasis as they share the Bible story from a different perspective still keeping on age level. The special guest could bring props relating to their profession. For example, a veterinarian might bring a couple of animals (check for allergies first prior to introducing any animals to the children) using the emphasis that God made the animals and we help take care of them. A special guest can challenge, create and add newness to the routine for all children.

Tips to remember:

- Obtain a background screening for all adults prior to serving in a room with children
- Maintain the minimum of two teachers at all times



### Game

### Community Match

- Game Mat
- Pictures of community helpers
- Bean Bag

Fold the game mat in half using only 6 of the slots for pictures (this makes it easier for small groups to be successful). Insert pictures of community helpers into the slots. Place the mat in front on you for group time. Toss a bean bag to a child, inviting him to toss it onto the mat. Ask the child to tell about the picture. How does this person help us? Repeat until every child has a turn and continue play until each picture has been part of the conversation. Remind children that we have many people in our community that love and help us and in the Bible, people helped each other just as Jesus told us to



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