

D6 EveryDay CURRICULUM

Elementary Midweek Guide

The D6 EveryDay Midweek Guide provides a way to steward the unused content from the Teaching Guide lessons to not only save money on Midweek curriculum, but also ensure that midweek classes benefit from the continued emphasis on the weekly Family Theme and the many lesson extras.

With minimal planning and effort, leaders can select lesson components and options to emphasize during the midweek time together. You know your situation much better than we do, so this guide allows you to make the extension of D6 EveryDay Curriculum fit your church needs.

Follow these simple steps to extend the learning from Sunday and encourage continued conversations about the weekly family theme.

1. Choose the *Get Started* option to be used. Two options are provided in the *Teaching Guide*, so a different one can be used for both Sunday and midweek. However, don't discount the value of repeating an option. Different leaders, settings, or class make up can often change things just enough to keep it fresh.
2. Summarize the *Study the Word* portion of the lesson and creatively include the students in the process. Use one of these suggestions or create your own alternative.
 - Encourage kids to act out the Bible lesson. Using props and costumes (even partial ones) can add a lot of fun.
 - Challenge one or more kids to retell the story in a special voice. Allow them to choose or have them draw from a bowl (like a superhero, like a baby, like a robot, etc.).
 - Provide puppets (or make some together) for the kids to use as they retell the story.
 - Choose a simple song tune and challenge a kid to retell the story using that tune.
 - Retell the story and pause at various parts. Encourage kids to pop up if they know what comes next in the Bible story.
 - Create a newspaper account of the story. What are some of the headlines that might be used? Challenge kids to create a news release announcing the events of the Bible story.
 - Encourage the kids to "Tell and Tag." One person starts to tell the story and has to say at least five words before tagging someone else to do the same thing until the lesson has been shared.

3. Review the Application verse and be sure to discuss the meaning of the verse. The verses are selected for the kids to memorize as well as apply to their lives. Understanding the meaning of the verse is important for application and response to it. Play a game to encourage kids to learn the verses. Consider implementing a reward system for learning the verses. (Search online for assorted games and activities to encourage verse memorization.)
4. Emphasize the *Live It* portion of the lesson and remind kids about the *Next Step* suggested. This segment of the lesson Intentionally emphasizes personal response to the lesson from God’s Word. Encourage kids to share how they have lived out the *Next Step* since Sunday and challenge them to live it out the rest of the week.
5. Bible Basics segments in each lesson change weekly and should be cumulatively reviewed regularly to help kids better retain this information. Bible Basics include family memory verses, facts about the Bible, catechism questions, and other foundational information to help kids grow their faith.
6. Games are always a hit with kids and help reinforcement and review be more fun. Use simple quiz games or create some that are more involved. Many online resources provide game boards that can be projected. Encourage kids to submit questions to be used in the games and be sure to have rewards and prizes.
7. Sprinkle in crafts, music and other activities when the lesson content and setting permits. Know your group and what they most respond to.

We are excited for you to be on this D6 EveryDay journey with us. Reinforcing and reviewing key truths from Sunday’s lessons helps solidify for kids that learning from and about the Lord is an ongoing process to explore Every Day—not only on Sundays. The midweek booster is perfect for helping your church support families and cultivate generational disciple-makers to live out what they learn.



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