

Ideas for Teaching the Divisions of the Bible and the Books of the Bible



Bible Fact Game

Play a matching game with facts about the Bible, the Old Testament and the New Testament. Print out the game cards on card stock. Match the correct small card to the correct large card.

Answers:

The Bible: I am made up of two major parts. I am divided into the Old Testament and the New Testament. I have 66 books. I have 10 divisions. I am inspired by God. I tell about how God wants people to live.

The Old Testament: I tell about creation, Noah, and what happened before the birth of Jesus. I tell about the children of Israel. I am made up of the divisions of Law, History, Poetry, Major Prophets, and Minor Prophets. I have 39 books. I come first in the Bible.

The New Testament: I tell about the birth of Jesus. I tell about Jesus' life. I tell about the early church. I am made up of the divisions of Gospels, History, Paul's Letters, General Letters, and Prophecy. I have 27 books. I come second in the Bible.

Learn the Books of the Bible

Print the Bible Book Cards on card stock.

Use them as flash cards to learn to pronounce the books of the Bible.

Sort them according to whether they are in the Old or New Testament.

Answers: See table of contents of a Bible for correct answers

Learn the Divisions of the Bible

Print the Divisions of the Bible Cards on card stock.

Using the Old and New Testament Heading cards from the Bible Fact Game, sort the divisions according to whether they are the divisions of the Old or New Testament.

Answers:

Old Testament: Law, History, Poetry, Major Prophets, and Minor Prophets.

New Testament: Gospels, History, Paul's Letters, General Letters, and Prophecy

Challenge Game

Sort the divisions of the Bible in order. Then sort the books of the Bible under the proper divisions.

Learn which books are in each division of the Bible

Using the Bible Book Cards, sort them according to the correct division.

Answers:

Old Testament

Law: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy

History: Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1 Samuel, 2 Samuel, 1 Kings, 2 Kings, 1 Chronicles, 2 Chronicles, Ezra,
Nehemiah, Esther

Poetry: Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon

Major Prophets: Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, Daniel

Minor Prophets: Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai,
Zechariah, Malachi

New Testament:

Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke, John

History: Acts

Paul's Letters: Romans, 1 Corinthians, 2 Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians,
1 Thessalonians, 2 Thessalonians, 1 Timothy, 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon

General Letters: Hebrews, James, 1 Peter, 2 Peter, 1 John, 2 John, 3 John, Jude

Prophecy: Revelation

Use the picture of the Book of the Bible on a bookshelf to help you learn the books

Sing a song to Learn the books of the Bible:

There are many songs to learn the books of the Old Testament and New Testament available for download at Amazon.com. Choose one that fits your child's musical taste.

Here are a couple of You Tube links with songs to learn the books of the Bible.

Old Testament: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jo-1W0PNUFI>

New Testament: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nj54GQazVCo>