

## SHOP & PREP



### WEEK 1

#### ACTIVITY | Let's Go to the Zoo

- WHAT TO GET:
  - [Safari hat](#) or a [zookeeper T-shirt](#) for zookeeper

#### ACTIVITY | Feed the Zoo Animals

- WHAT TO GET:
  - 1 Pack of [packing peanuts](#)
  - 16-ounce plastic cup (1 per child)

#### SCRIPTURE | Daniel 1 (Babylonian Captivity)

- WHAT TO GET:
  - [Safari hat](#) or [zookeeper T-shirt](#)
  - [Monkey hand puppet](#) (save the other ones in this pack for upcoming weeks)
  - Preschool Bible or a preschool-friendly Bible translation

#### BIG IDEA | I won't give up — God is with me!

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Monkey hand puppet
  - Envelope (Any size will work, but a larger one would be more dramatic. Save to be used all five weeks.)
  - Black marker
  - Sheet of paper
- WHAT TO PREP: On the front of the envelope, write "Big Idea" in large letters. Write today's Big Idea on the paper and place it inside the envelope. Keep the envelope in a place that's easy for today's hand puppet to pick up when the time comes to reveal the Big Idea.

#### ACTIVITY | Obstacle Course

- WHAT TO GET:
  - 4 cones
  - Roll of painter's tape
  - [Preschool play tunnel](#)
- WHAT TO PREP: Create an obstacle course by setting up a cone at each stop of the course. Lay out three to four feet of painter's tape near the second cone. Set up a play tunnel near the third cone.

#### SNACK | Veggie Straws

- WHAT TO GET:
  - [Veggie straws](#)
  - Napkins

- Hand sanitizer

### ACTIVITY | Circle Time

- WHAT TO GET:
  - [Basket of play food](#)
  - Upbeat music
  - Music player

### ACTIVITY | Painting With Food

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Printable
  - White cardstock (for printable)
  - Halved apples, potatoes, or peppers
  - Three-inch pieces of celery
  - Washable paints in a variety of colors
  - Small paper plates (to hold paints)
  - Wet wipes (for messy fingers)
  - Black permanent markers (to write names on papers)
- WHAT TO PREP: See a worked example [here](#).

### ACTIVITY | Coloring Page

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Crayons or markers
  - Printable
- WHAT TO PREP: Print a coloring page for each kid.

### ACTIVITY | Good Eats!

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Play food
  - Play pots and pans
  - Play utensils and plates
  - Chef's hats and aprons (optional)

### ACTIVITY | Vegetable Garden

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Medium-sized plastic bin
  - Dark black or red kidney beans
  - [Basket of play food](#) used in Circle Time

## WEEK 2

### ACTIVITY | Super Seven

- WHAT TO GET:
  - [Safari hat](#) or a [zookeeper T-shirt](#)

### ACTIVITY | Still as a Statue

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Upbeat music
  - Music player

### SCRIPTURE | Daniel 3 (The Fiery Furnace)

- WHAT TO GET:
  - [Safari hat](#) or [zookeeper T-shirt](#)
  - [Giraffe hand puppet](#) (save the other ones for upcoming weeks)
  - Preschool Bible or a preschool-friendly Bible translation

### BIG IDEA | I'm not alone — God is with me!

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Giraffe hand puppet
  - Envelope from Week 1
  - Black marker
  - Sheet of paper
- WHAT TO PREP: On the front of the envelope, write "Big Idea" in large letters. Write today's Big Idea on the paper and place it inside the envelope. Keep the envelope in a place that's easy for today's hand puppet to pick up when the time comes to reveal the Big Idea.

### ACTIVITY | Praise Parade

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Orange, yellow, and red streamers
  - Upbeat music
  - Music player

### SNACK | Fruit By the Foot

- WHAT TO GET:
  - [Fruit by the Foot](#) fruit snacks
  - Napkins
  - Hand sanitizer

### ACTIVITY | Circle Time

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Orange, yellow, or red ball

### ACTIVITY | Light Cups

- WHAT TO GET:
    - 5-ounce clear plastic cups (1 per kid)
    - Red, yellow and orange tissue paper squares
    - Glue sticks
    - LED tea light candles (1 per kid)
    - Black permanent marker
    - Avery 5160 labels (optional)
  - WHAT TO PREP: Print "I'm not alone - God is with me!" (along with "The Fiery Furnace - Daniel 3") onto the labels. Using the supplies listed, make a sample craft ahead of time. (See a worked example [here](#).)
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### ACTIVITY | Coloring Page

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Crayons or markers
  - Printable
- WHAT TO PREP: Print a coloring page for each kid.

### ACTIVITY | Story in Action

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Action figures
  - Ordinary items from around the room

### ACTIVITY | Music Center

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Preschool-safe musical instruments

## WEEK 3

### ACTIVITY | Animal Bowling

- WHAT TO GET:
    - [Animal bowling pins game](#)
    - Painter's tape
    - [Safari hat](#) or a [zookeeper T-shirt](#) (for zookeeper)
  - WHAT TO PREP: Use painter's tape to mark the starting line for players, then set up the pins according to game directions. If you don't have animal bowling pins, consider printing out [pictures of animals](#) and wrapping them around an ordinary bowling pin set.
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### ACTIVITY | Cup Stacking

- WHAT TO GET:
  - 20 16-ounce plastic cups

### SCRIPTURE | Daniel 5 (The Writing on the Wall)

- WHAT TO GET:
  - [Safari hat](#) or [zookeeper T-shirt](#)
  - [Tiger hand puppet](#)
  - Preschool Bible or preschool-friendly Bible translation

### BIG IDEA | I can keep learning things — God is with me!

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Tiger hand puppet
  - Envelope from Week 1
  - Black marker
  - Sheet of paper
- WHAT TO PREP: On the front of the envelope, write "Big Idea" in large letters. Write today's Big Idea on the paper and place it inside the envelope. Keep the envelope in a place that's easy for today's hand puppet to pick up when the time comes to reveal the Big Idea.

### ACTIVITY | Mommy & Baby Animal Match

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Printables
  - Cardstock paper
  - Scissors
- WHAT TO PREP: Print the printable on cardstock and cut out the matching cards ahead of time.

### ACTIVITY | Edible Walls

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Saltine crackers
  - Nutella
  - Plastic knives
  - Rainbow sprinkles

- Napkins
- Hand sanitizer

### ACTIVITY | Circle Time

- 1 apple

### ACTIVITY | The Big Reveal

- WHAT TO GET:
  - White copy paper with secret message (1 sheet per child)
  - White crayon
  - Watercolor paints
  - Watercolor paint brushes
  - Snack-size cups

### ACTIVITY | Coloring Page

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Crayons or markers
  - Printable
- WHAT TO PREP: Print a coloring page for each kid.

### ACTIVITY | Wall Mural

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Length of butcher paper
  - Painter's tape
  - Washable markers

### ACTIVITY | Writing in the Sand

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Shallow medium-sized bin
  - Kinetic sand
  - Sand tools
  - Plastic tablecloth

## WEEK 4

### ACTIVITY | Parachute Den

- WHAT TO GET:
  - [Preschool parachute](#)
  - [Safari hat](#) or a [zookeeper T-shirt](#) (for zookeeper)

### ACTIVITY | Hungry, Hungry Lions

- WHAT TO GET:
  - [Preschool parachute](#) used in Parachute Den activity
  - [Multicolored pom-poms](#)

### SCRIPTURE | Daniel 6 (Daniel in the Lions' Den)

- WHAT TO GET:
  - [Safari hat](#) or [zookeeper T-shirt](#)
  - [Lion puppet](#)
  - Preschool Bible or preschool-friendly Bible translation

### BIG IDEA | I'm not afraid — God is with me!

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Lion hand puppet
  - Envelope from Week 1
  - Black marker
  - Sheet of paper
- WHAT TO PREP: On the front of the envelope, write "Big Idea" in large letters. Write today's Big Idea on the paper and place it inside the envelope. Keep the envelope in a place that's easy for today's hand puppet to pick up when the time comes to reveal the Big Idea.

### ACTIVITY | Who Woke the Lion?

- WHAT TO PREP:
  - Song "[The Lion Sleeps Tonight](#)"
  - Music player

### ACTIVITY | Mane Prayers

- WHAT TO GET :
  - Printable
  - Crayons or washable markers

### ACTIVITY | Animal Crackers

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Animal crackers
  - Napkins
  - Hand sanitizer
  - Music player (optional)

### ACTIVITY | Circle Time

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Lion stuffed animal

### ACTIVITY | Coloring Page

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Crayons or markers
  - Printable
- WHAT TO PREP: Print a coloring page for each kid.

### ACTIVITY | Animal Shapes

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Play dough
  - [Animal-shaped cookie cutters](#)

### ACTIVITY | Lions' Den

- WHAT TO GET:
  - Dark colored blanket

## WEEK 5

### ACTIVITY | Lions, Bears, and Leopards

- Printable
- **WHAT TO PREP:** Be ready to show the pictures included in the printable.

### SCRIPTURE | Daniel 7 (Daniel's Dream)

- **WHAT TO GET:**
  - [Safari hat](#) or [zookeeper T-shirt](#)
  - [Elephant hand puppet](#)
  - Preschool Bible or preschool-friendly Bible translation

### BIG IDEA | I'm not alone — God is with me!

- **WHAT TO GET:**
  - Elephant hand puppet
  - Envelope from Week 1
  - Black marker
  - Sheet of paper
- **WHAT TO PREP:** On the front of the envelope, write "Big Idea" in large letters. Write today's Big Idea on the paper and place it inside the envelope. Keep the envelope in a place that's easy for today's hand puppet to pick up when the time comes to reveal the Big Idea.

### ACTIVITY | Where Will It Land?

- **WHAT TO GET:**
  - Twister game spinner

### ACTIVITY | Dream Animals

- **WHAT TO GET:**
  - Assorted animal-shaped snacks (e.g., Teddy Grahams, Annie's Cheddar Bunnies, and Tiger Paws).
  - Napkins
  - Hand sanitizer

### ACTIVITY | Circle Time

- **WHAT TO GET:**
  - [Toddler-sized pillow](#)

### ACTIVITY | Future Me

- **WHAT TO GET:**
  - [Blank paper cutouts](#)
  - Crayons or washable markers
- **WHAT TO PREP:** See a worked example [here](#).

### ACTIVITY | Coloring Page

- **WHAT TO GET:**
  - Crayons or markers
  - Printable
- **WHAT TO PREP:** Print a coloring page for each kid.

### ACTIVITY | Unexpected

- Board game like [Pop Up Pirate](#), [Shark Bite](#), or [Yeti in my Spaghetti](#).

### ACTIVITY | Puppet Show

- **WHAT TO GET:** Hand puppets used during this month's story times . . .
  - [Millie the Monkey](#)
  - [Gus the Giraffe](#)
  - [Livy the Lion](#)
  - [Emmy the Elephant](#)
  - [Theo the Tiger](#)

