With HeartShaper® Children’s Curriculum, kids will develop

BIBLE SKILLS

Teaching age-appropriate Bible skills is an integral part of HeartShaper® Children’s Curriculum! These critical Bible skills:

- Are vital for kids to develop
- Help kids study God’s Word on their own
- Will be used for the rest of their lives
- Are integrated into each lesson
- Are taught at the appropriate age levels
- Build on each other from one age level to the next

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<td>• Know to handle the Bible carefully</td>
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<td>• Point to and repeat simple Bible words</td>
<td>• Know the Bible is made up of different books</td>
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<td>• Feel love toward God, Jesus, and the Bible</td>
<td>• Point to main characters in Bible pictures</td>
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### Early elementary children will:
- Begin to understand the major emphasis of the Old and New Testaments
- Learn to read and pronounce names of Old and New Testament books
- Know how to find Bible verses
- Begin to read Bible verses
- Say selected Bible verses from memory
- Identify Old and New Testament main characters
- Develop Bible-reading comprehension skills

### Middle elementary kids will:
- Begin to understand the chronology of Bible events, that there's an overall story or theme to the Bible, that history is God's story
- Better understand the structure of the Bible
- Navigate within the Bible (both a printed Bible and a digital Bible) to find stories or verses or topics they want to know more about
- Learn the major emphasis of the Old and New Testaments
- Begin to understand the major emphasis of each division of books in the Old and New Testaments
- Grasp why it's important to read and study the Bible
- Learn how to use a Bible dictionary (printed, online, and app)
- Feel increasingly confident when using the Bible

### Preteens will:
- See the Bible as God's Word and accept its absolute truth
- Recognize that there are different Bible translations and understand some of the differences
- Find verses in the Bible with increased ease and speed
- Read and explain Bible verses and apply them to everyday life
- Use a Bible dictionary, Bible map, and concordance (printed, online, or app) to better understand Scripture texts
- Locate, read, and paraphrase or summarize Bible verses
- Memorize selected Bible passages and talk about their meaning
- Value time spent reading God's Word and use the skills they have acquired in personal Bible study

### Optional Bible skills for early elementary children
- Learn to use the table of contents in a Bible
- Understand what the punctuation marks mean in a Scripture reference
- Find books, chapters, and verses in a Bible
- Put a simple series of Bible events and people in chronological order
- Begin to understand general divisions of Bible books

### Optional Bible skills for middle elementary kids
- Memorize Old and New Testament books
- Memorize Old and New Testament divisions
- Learn more about the theme of each of the Bible divisions
- Locate on a Bible map where key Bible events took place
- Put key Bible events and people in chronological order

### Optional Bible skills for preteens
- List major Old Testament events in chronological order; attach people to events
- List major New Testament events in chronological order; attach people to events
- Name the books and divisions of the Bible
- Explain the themes of Bible divisions
- Find and compare parallel Scripture passages
- Know how to use a variety of study Bible helps: cross-references, chapter intros, verse explanations, etc.
- Refer to Scripture when discussing personal faith