



For All Discovery Center Leaders

How to use Discovery Center discussion questions

Each week you'll find discussion questions to ask after, or as, kids are completing the activity, snack, or craft.

These questions help children apply what they've learned. For kids who are "talkers," discussion is a natural way for them to process what they've experienced. And even introverted or shy kids will get involved if you follow this simple, four-step process:

1. *Help Circle leaders lead discussions.* Each activity you lead includes discussion questions. Circle leaders will find these same questions—plus bonus questions that are not in your Discovery Center leader guide—in their FaithWeaver Friends Leader Guides. When Circles finish the activity, ask kids to "circle up" with their leaders and sit knee to knee. Have leaders then start asking the questions and facilitating discussions within their Circles. *You won't ask kids the questions or direct the discussions.* Letting leaders hold discussions within their own Circles gives more kids the chance to talk and gives Circle leaders a chance to minister to their kids.

2. *Keep things on track.* As Circles talk, circulate around the room and listen in. If a Circle leader is struggling to keep the discussion focused, briefly join and help redirect the discussion. But don't jump in too quickly; a leader may let a discussion drift from the point if doing so has a purpose.

3. *Give countdowns.* It's your job to keep things on schedule. When it's three minutes before Circles rotate, let Circle leaders know with a quick word or a prearranged signal (a brief sounding of the train whistle, for instance). You'll help leaders pace discussions in their Circles.

4. *Sum up.* Restating the Bible Point is important! Before Circles rotate out of your Discovery Center, be sure to clearly say the Bible Point again. And if the evangelism moment is in your Discovery Center, allow time to warmly invite children to talk with you or their Circle leaders about a relationship with Jesus.



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