

VBS 2020 ADULT VBS EXTRAS CONFERENCE PLAN (45 MINUTES)

Purpose Statement

This 45-minute plan is designed to train and equip VBS directors and pastors to overview and use Adult VBS Extras (Crafts, Snacks, Recreation, and Parent Seminar) for LifeWay's Concrete & Cranes™ VBS.

Needed Resources

- *VBS 2020 Adult Starter Kit*
- *4 VBS 2020 Tablecloths*
- *VBS 2020 Catalog*
- *VBS 2020 Adult Leader Guides* (page 6); provide copies, one for each conferee.
- OPTIONAL: *VBS 2020 Decorating Made Easy*
- OPTIONAL: *VBS 2020 Administrative Guide*
- *VBS 2020 Name Tags* (1 per conferee)
- *VBS 2020 Music for Kids CD*
- *VBS 2020 Adult CD* (included in Starter Kit)
- *VBS 2020 Snack Rotation Recipe Cards*
- Copies of the Parenting Seminar (from CD-ROM in the *VBS 2020 Adult Starter Kit*) —Copy 1 per conferee.
- Placards — Print the following on heavyweight paper, then fold in half into table tents: *Crafts, Recreation, Snacks, Decorating Ideas, Parenting Seminar*. Set up 4 tables around the perimeter of the room, cover each with a tablecloth and place one placard on each table.
- Item 1: “Handout” — Copy 1 per conferee.
- Permanent markers (for name tags)
- Materials to make and display 2–3 selected samples of Adult VBS crafts — Make sample crafts following the instructions in the leader guide. Print one copy of the instructions for making those samples. Place on the table marked with the “Crafts” placard.
- Materials to make and display 2–3 samples of snacks from the VBS recipe cards — Make and display the sample snacks. Place on the table marked with the “Snacks” placard.
- CD player

Room Setup

Decorate the focal wall to resemble the inside of a contractor's trailer. Arrange chairs in a semi-circle. Cover a focal table with one a *VBS 2020 Tablecloths* and display the curriculum pieces and the sample crafts on top. Arrange the *VBS 2020 Adult Starter Kit* items on the focal wall as suggested on page 6 of the *VBS 2020 Adult VBS Leader Guide*. Place copies of page 6 from the leader guide on the table with the “Decorations Ideas” placard. Provide printed copies of the Parent Seminar from the CD-ROM and place them on the table with the “Parent Seminar” placard.

Teaching Steps

1. Welcome (5 minutes)

- Play the *VBS 2020 Music for Kids CD* quietly in the background and greet conferees as they enter.
- Encourage conferees to make a name tag. Invite them to explore the room and resources and to feel free to take pictures throughout the session.

- Explain that this session will help conferees examine and find opportunities to prepare and use Crafts, Recreation, Snacks, decoration ideas, as well as follow-up opportunities to enhance Adult VBS 2020.
- Open in prayer

2. Investigate Extras (20 minutes)

- Distribute copies of the handout (Item 1) to each conferee. Lead them to record ideas on the sheet as they investigate each of the categories.
- Lead participants to walk around and investigate each of the stations in the room for 20 minutes and to record their ideas at each station.
- Lead participants to share and discuss responses with each other as you supplement their ideas.
- Play VBS music as conferees investigate and record information.

3. Focus on Crafts (5 minutes)

- As conferees share and discuss the variety of crafts, explain that:
 - Crafts give opportunities to express creativity and build community within the group.
 - Adults may enjoy making projects to use at home or as gifts for others.
 - Some of the crafts provide opportunities to make something to be used for missions or ministry projects.
 - Some crafts will relate directly to a particular day's Bible study, while others could be appropriate to use with any session.
 - Choose the crafts that are best suited to the interests and abilities of the group you will teach.
 - Invite conferees to offer suggestions for incorporating crafts in their Adult VBS.

4. Focus on Recreation and Snacks (5 minutes)

- As conferees discuss the variety of recreation ideas, explain that:
 - Games give adults opportunities to get to know each other better in a fun, relaxing atmosphere.
 - Some games are more active, while others require less movement. Choose games best suited to the interests and abilities of the group you will teach.
- Allow conferees to play "True or False" as suggested on the CD-ROM.
- Encourage conferees to investigate snack options (recipes).
- Allow participants to sample select snack options provided.
- Lead conferees to brainstorm ways snacks can be used to enhance VBS opportunities with adults.

5. Focus on Connections (5 minutes)

- Lead conferees to overview the resources and opportunities for using the "Parenting Seminar" available on the CD-ROM.
- Brainstorm ways to follow up with adults and their kids.

6. Debrief and Pray Together (5 minutes)

- Review highlights and answer any questions.
- Close in prayer.

Focus on Extras

Select at least one of the suggested extras and list ways this could be used during VBS or as while following up with adults after VBS.

CRAFTS IDEAS:

RECREATION IDEA:

IDEAS FOR SNACKS:

DECORATING IDEAS:

PARENTING SEMINAR:

Suggestion from the Seminar that we would want to emphasize:

Ways to use this Seminar as a follow up to Adult VBS: