



LESSON FORMATTING GUIDELINES

Each lesson should connect with the overall assigned theme.

Each lesson has three components:

1. OPENING GAME

Sets up and ties into the lesson. We're looking for an original game here.

If you want to add a new twist to a "tried and true" youth ministry game, that's cool. Just make sure it is a new twist. Preferably, use an original game.

Make it fun, interactive, and exciting! The game should connect with the theme and should flow into the teaching portion of each lesson.

2. LESSON

The lesson is the teaching part. It should be focused on teaching students (7th-12th Grades).

Be creative here. It needs to have some distinctive elements and teaching methods that are unique to high school students.

Write as if you're writing a script for leaders to use. They won't use it as a script, but write it like you are speaking to students.

Please double check any Scripture references and make sure they are correct.

3. SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Use open ended, thought provoking, conversation starting questions. Don't include closed ended questions.

Include at least 5 questions per lesson.

A note about formatting:

- Use Arial font, size 12.
- After EVERY sentence you write (other than bullet points), hit the return button 2 times.
- Each lesson should be a minimum of 2,000 words.
- Make a detailed list of any supplies that will be used for the Opening Game or Teach sections.

Lesson Example: <http://ministrytoyouth.com/youth-group-lessons-on-social-media/>

YOUTH GROUP LESSON ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Bible: Colossians 3:16-17 *No need to write out the entire verse, just the location of the verse

Bottom Line: We can be intentional to connect with God and serve others while on social media. *Keep it short and to the point. Try and keep it to one sentence.

- Each lesson should have 3 main components. Label them accordingly, and use all caps and bold.

Example:

OPENING GAME: (INSERT NAME OF OPENING GAME HERE)

SUPPLIES Paper and pencils for each student

*list each supply needed and the quantity

TEACH – YOUTH GROUP LESSON ON SOCIAL MEDIA

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Please note: Our editors retain the right to make any necessary changes to the lesson – grammar, language, re-writing, etc., as needed.