



Table Games for PreK

Animal Action Game

Big Goal: Encourage preschoolers to help other preschoolers belong.

Supplies: Animal Action Cards (1 set per group)

What You Do:

Version 1- Ask your child to take the cards one by one and do the action on the card.

Version 2- Place cards face down and take turns taking a card and doing the action.

Connect It- Yippee! We had such a fun time sharing all the things we like. One of the things I like most is getting to know all of you. I am excited we get to all be together today and learn more about God.

Tiny Polka Dots Game

Supplies: Tiny Polka Dots Game Set (1 set per group)

1-4 players For 1st Game, play with: Teal 0-4 & Blue 0-4

Setup Deal out all cards face up.

Play Take turns matching pairs with the same number

Game ends when all cards are matched. Ideas for future games • Use larger numbers • Play with four suits instead of two.



PreK Social- August 2

Mirror Me

Big Goal: Encourage preschoolers to help other preschoolers belong.

Supplies: None

What To Do: Do you like to see yourself in a mirror? When you look in a mirror, you can see yourself and the movements you make. Let's play a game called "Mirror Me." What is the name of our game? (*Mirror Me!*) Great job, friends! I will play out a simple task, like brushing my hair. (*Begin to brush hair.*) I will move a little slower than I usually do to brush my hair. As you see me do the action, I want you to act like a mirror and do the exact same thing. I cannot talk, but you can talk to friends to help them know how to mirror me. When you think you know what I am doing, say it out loud, and then do the action too. Do you think we can do this? (*Allow responses.*) I know we can! Here is our first task.

Consider using some of the following tasks: brush hair, brush teeth, wash hands, wash face, eat food, and so on.

Keep It Going: Add additional simple tasks preschoolers could do such as peeling a banana, bouncing a ball, and so on.

Leader Tip: Take each movement slowly. The object of the activity is not to rush through the tasks but mirror the action and follow along.

Connect It: Nice job, friends! You all worked together so well as we figured out each task. Just like you had to mirror me, today we will be learning about following the leader as we talk about how God has a plan for you and me.

Color It

Supplies: "Bark Coloring Page" (1 per child), Crayons (several)

Set out coloring sheets and crayons on a table. Share crayons and conversations as preschoolers color.



PreK Social- August 2

Build the House on the Rock

Big Goal: Remember the Bible story.

Supplies: "Build The House On The Rock" printable (several), Blindfold (1 per group), Tape (1 per group)

What To Do: Let's play a game called "Build the House on the Rock." Build the house on what? *(The rock!)* Great job! Raise your hand if you see a rock on this poster. *(Allow responses.)* Good! Now raise your hand if you see sand on this poster. *(Allow responses.)* Nice work! *(Display a house cutout.)* Each of you will get a house like this one. Do I want to put my house on the rock or the sand? *(Allow responses.)* You are right! I want to put it on the rock, but there is just one problem. As we play our game, we will be blindfolded and will not be able to see the sand and rock. It may be a little tricky! One friend will be blindfolded and try to put his house on the rock, not the sand. When he finishes, the next friend will try. We will keep playing until everyone has a turn. Let's see who can get their house on the rock. *(Give each child a house with tape on the back when it is their turn.)*

Leader Tip: Remind preschoolers that this is a game. Encourage preschoolers to stay engaged and respectful as their friends take turns playing the game. Don't spoil the fun by blurting out where their friends place their houses.

Loud And Clear: Everyone did a good job as we played our game together! Jesus told a story to help people know how to live like Him. He said that the person who follows Him is like a builder who builds his house on a rock. Even when big storms come, the house stands strong. We can follow Jesus too!



PreK Social- August 9

Match Up

What To Do: Hello, friends! I am so excited to see you all here today. Everyone looks so great. I see friends with some awesome shoes and look at that shirt—how cool is that! This reminds me of a game we can play called “Match Up.” What is the name of the game? *(Match Up!)* Yes, you are right! The name of the game is “Match Up,” and here is how we play it. I will call out something like, “Find someone with the same color shirt.” Then you will find a friend or two or three with the same color shirt. If there is no one you match with, come find me or another leader, and we will find something in common so we can match together too. When we match up or match together it means we are both wearing blue, or both wearing a t shirt, we both have something that matches. Sound like fun? *(Allow responses.)* I think so too. Let’s play!

(Consider using some of these matching pairs: same color hair, same color shirt, same type of shoes, same favorite color, same age, same number of brothers or sisters, and so on.)

Keep It Going: Continue the game by finding more items that friends have in common.

Leader Tip: Remind preschoolers they don’t just have to pair up. They could be triplets or more if they find a large group of friends with similarities. Be sure not to choose qualities that may single out a friend.

Connect It: We found so many friends with things in common, that was so fun! I found a friend who ____ *(mention a commonality you found with a few preschoolers)*. No matter if you are wearing a purple shirt or green shoes, I am so glad you are here today.

Color It

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PreK Social- August 9

Pass the Food

Big Goal: Remember what is super about the Super Clue.

Supplies: Plastic play food (1 per group), Music and music player (1 per group)

What To Do: Our Super Clue today is a kitchen playset. What is our Super Clue? (*A kitchen playset!*) You are right! When you play with a kitchen playset, you may have pots and pans, towels to clean up the mess, or maybe even an apron. What is the main thing you need for cooking when you are playing in a kitchen playset? (*Food!*) You are right! We need food. I have some food here. (*Display play food.*) Our next activity is called “Pass the Food.” What is it called? (*Pass the Food!*) We will sit in a circle, and once the music starts, we will begin to pass the play food around. Once the music stops, the friend who has the food will stand up and say, “I can serve others.” Think we can do it? Yeah!

Leader Tip: Watch for preschoolers who have not had a turn and try to stop the music when they have the food item. Consider playing this month’s Theme song. It can be downloaded in Advance Planning in the Optional Session Tools folder.

Loud And Clear: Everyone did such a great job passing the play food and playing together so nicely. This play food can remind us of our Super Clue. What is our Super Clue again? (*A kitchen playset!*) Right! With a kitchen playset, you can serve your friends and family a drink and snacks. When we see our Super Clue, we can know that God has a plan for us, and part of that plan is to serve others. We can serve others at home by taking our plate to the sink to be washed after we eat, by picking up our toys, by putting our dirty clothes in the laundry basket, and by telling the grown-ups in your house, “thank you!”



PreK Social- August 16

Hear and Find

Big Goal: Be seen, heard, and known by my team.

Supplies: "Hear And Find" printable (several), Adult scissors (1 per group)

What To Do: Hello, everyone! We have a really fun game to play. This game is called "Hear and Find." What is the name of the game? (*Hear and Find!*) Nice job! Here is how we will play. Each person will have a card just like this one. (*Display a "Hear And Find" card.*) Do not show your card to anyone else. When I say, "Go!" you will begin making the sound of the animal on the card. Then you will find friends who are making the same sound and all get together. Sounds like a lot of fun, right? Let's play!

Keep It Going: Swap up the cards and play again.

Leader Tip: Younger preschoolers may need help determining the sound the animal makes. Be patient and help as needed.

Connect It: Great! We were able to find our animal groups by listening to hear the animal sound and working together as a team. I heard some brave lions and some cool cats. It is so exciting to hear all the animals. To be seen and heard by our friends is something special. As we learn more about God today, it will be very important to continue to listen as we have some exciting things to do. As we listen and follow the leader, we will have such a fun time together.

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Parachute Bounce

Big Goal: Remember the Main Idea: **Let's trust like Jesus.**

Supplies: Ball pit balls (several), Parachute (1 per group), Sheet or towel (1 per group; optional)

What To Do: Today we are learning that we can trust like Jesus. Our game is called "Parachute Bounce." What is it called? (*Parachute Bounce!*) Great job! We are all going to hold a handle on our parachute and bounce ball pit balls up and down on the parachute. Whenever one of them falls off the parachute, we will pause and say, **"Let's trust like Jesus."** Let's say that together. I will say it first, and you say it after me. **Let's trust like Jesus. (Let's trust like Jesus!)** Good job! After we pause and say, **"Let's trust like Jesus,"** we will start playing again.

Leader Tip: Pause before you say the Main Idea to ensure everyone is listening and paying attention.

Loud And Clear: We learned today that we can trust like Jesus. *Trust* means to believe in or put your hope in someone or something. We can trust God will always take care of us and do what He says He will do! We can trust like Jesus taught us to and know God has a plan for us. We can follow our leader, Jesus, and live like Him. Who is our leader? (*Jesus!*) Yes! Great job! This week let's share this truth with others as we remember God's plan for us.



PreK Social- August 23

Hop and Meet

Big Goal: Learn a new name.

Leader Prep: Tape a square shape on the floor.

Supplies: Masking Tape (1 per group)

What To Do: We have so many friends here today, but I don't know if we all know each other's names. How should we meet each other? I know! We can play a game called "Hop and Meet." What is the name of the game? (*Hop and Meet!*) Nice job! When I say, "Go," each friend will line up shoulder to shoulder. When it is your turn, you will hop into the middle of the square and say your name. Then we will all say, "Nice to meet you!" Let's all say, "Nice to meet you," together. Ready? "Nice to meet you!" We will keep playing until everyone has a turn to hop in the middle and meet everyone.

Connect It: It was so exciting to learn the names of everyone in our group. Today we will also be learning about God and His plan for our lives. God has amazing plans for us. I can't wait to learn more about God with you today!

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PreK Social- August 23

Musical Hearts

Big Goal: Remember the Main Idea: **Let's love like Jesus.**

Supplies: Cardstock Hearts (1 per child), Marker (1 per group), Painter's tape (1 per group), Music and music player (1 per group)

What To Do: Let's play a fun game called "Musical Hearts." What is it called? (*Musical Hearts!*) Great! Take a look at the floor. There are hearts drawn on sheets of paper, and they are taped to the floor. I will play some music, and you will all walk around the circle. When the music stops, everyone will stand on a heart. We will all say, **"Let's love like Jesus,"** together. Then when the music starts we will play again.

Loud And Clear: You all were so good at playing "Musical Hearts!" This game helps us to remember that we can love like Jesus. We can know that God has a plan for our lives, and part of His plan is for us to love others like Jesus.



PreK Social- August 30

Sticky Note Confetti Pictures

Big Goal: Be seen, heard, and known by my team.

Supplies: Colored sticky notes (4 different colors) (several), Paper (same colors as sticky notes) (4 per group), Painter's tape (1 per group), Butcher paper (1 per group), Marker (1 per group), Adult scissors (1 per group)

What To Do: Welcome, friends! Today is a special day we like to call *Hooray Day!* Each of you will get a colored sticky note like this. (*Show preschoolers a sticky note.*) These remind me of a large piece of confetti that you might see when you are celebrating, like we are today. When you get your sticky note, I want you to stand next to your friends and leader who have the same colorful sticky notes as you. Then you will move to the paper on the wall that matches your sticky note color. Then I want you to work together in your teams to create pictures using your sticky notes. You can place your sticky notes along the lines on the big paper on the wall to make a house shape, a circle shape, a heart shape, or a star shape depending on what paper you are standing at. Be creative! Let's get started!

Keep It Going: Ask groups to share what they created with their sticky notes.

Leader Tip: If possible, assign a leader to each color group. Provide additional colored sticky notes to each group to create larger pictures.

Connect It: I loved seeing you work together and use your sticky notes to create pictures. We have a lot to celebrate on Hooray Day. We are going to have so much fun together today.

Color It

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PreK Social- August 30

Lunch Box Ball Toss

Big Goal: Remember the Super Clue and how it connects to the Big Deal.

Supplies: Ball pit ball (1 per group), Lunch box (1 per group)

What To Do: Who remembers what our Super Clue is today? (*A lunch box!*) That's right! It is a lunch box. Let's line up and play a game called "Lunch Box Ball Toss." We are going to toss this ball into the lunch box. When you receive the ball for your turn, I want you to tell the group a lunch food you like. Think about the one thing you get excited to see when you are ready for lunch. Then you will gently toss the ball in the lunch box. If it does not go in the lunch box, that is OK! You can try one more time. Then you will go and sit in the back of the line so another friend can have a turn. OK! Let's get started! I will start our "Lunch Box Ball Toss." My most favorite food to see in my lunch box is ____.

Keep It Going: Continue rounds of the game by allowing preschoolers to name additional favorite lunch box foods or drinks.

Leader Tip: Consider rolling the ball if tossing the ball is too challenging for your preschoolers.

Loud And Clear: I loved to hear about all of your favorite lunch foods! A lunch box is packed by someone who knows about us—they pack what we need and what we like. God knows everything about each of us. God loves us and has a special plan for each of us.