

Children's Involvement - Step 1

The teacher always models and leads.

Prepare

- Choose suitable artefacts – given from two choices
- Help to set up focus table and notice the liturgical colour

Gather

- Sing a gather Song
- Make the Sign of Cross
- Greet everyone

Listen

- Reverence for the **Word of God in Scripture** should be shown and expected from the earliest years.

Respond

- Be silent and be with God
- Pass an object around and take turns to share
- Say prayers together
- Say who/what they want to pray for
- Model and say traditional prayers e.g. Hail Mary, Our Father.

Evaluate

- What did we hear about today? What will it help us to do?

Reflect quietly

Being still



Children's Involvement - Step 2

The teacher always models and leads.

Prepare

- Choose suitable artefacts – given from three/four choices;
- Share the theme or message and ask children which hymn they could sing from two or three they know.
- Help to set up focus table and notice the liturgical colour

Gather

- Sing a gather Song
- Make the Sign of Cross
- Greet everyone

Listen

- Reverence for the **Word of God in Scripture** should be shown and expected from the earliest years.
- Read from Scripture.

Respond

- Be silent and be with God
- Pass an object around and take turns to share
- Say prayers together
- Say who/what they want to pray for
- Model and say traditional prayers
- Heartfelt responses

Evaluate

- What did we hear about today? What will it help us to do?
- Why did you choose the hymn/song/focus?

Reflect quietly
Being still

Participate in periods
of reflection in
response to a given
stimulus

*Think to myself about
what I have seen or
heard*



Children's Involvement - Step 3

The teacher always models and leads and supports children in preparing and beginning to lead in parts.

Prepare

- Choose suitable artefacts – given from a wider choice
- Share the theme or message and ask children which hymn/song might be suitable
- Give a theme/message – set up a focus table, write prayers for Respond.
- Help choose the liturgical colour
- Help to support ICT equipment*

Gather

- Sing a gather Song
- Make the Sign of Cross
- Greet everyone

Listen

- Read from Scripture.
- Reverence for the **Word of God in Scripture** should be shown and expected from the earliest years.

Respond

- Pass an object around and take turns to share
- Say prayers together
- Say who/what they want to pray for
- Lead a hymn/song
- Heartfelt responses

Evaluate

- What did we hear about today? What will it help us to do?
- Why did you choose the hymn/song/focus?
- How did our focus help us today?

Reflect quietly

Being still

Participate in periods of reflection in response to a given stimulus

Think to myself about what I have seen or heard

Show understanding of the importance of stillness and quiet during times of reflection and prayer

Be still, be quiet, think to myself and say a prayer



Children's Involvement - Step 4

The teacher always models and leads and supports children in preparing and beginning to lead in parts.

Prepare

- Choose suitable artefacts – given from a wider choice
- Share the theme or message and ask children which hymn/song might be suitable
- Give a theme/message – set up a focus table, support children in finding suitable Scripture, write prayers for Respond.
- Help choose the liturgical colour
- Help to support ICT equipment*
- Support planning for larger liturgical gatherings

Gather

- Sing a gather Song
- Make the Sign of Cross
- Greet everyone

Listen

- Read from Scripture.
- Reverence for the **Word of God in Scripture** should be shown and expected from the earliest years.

Respond

- Pass an object around and take turns to share
- Say prayers together
- Say who/what they want to pray for
- Lead a hymn/song
- Heartfelt responses

Evaluate

- What did we hear about today? What will it help us to do?
- Why did you choose the hymn/song/focus?
- How did our focus help us today?

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- ✓ Reflect quietly- *Being still*
- ✓ Participate in periods of reflection in response to a given stimulus - *Think to myself about what I have seen or heard*
- ✓ Show understanding of the importance of stillness and quiet during times of reflection and prayer - *Be still, be quiet, think to myself and say a prayer*
- ✓ Demonstrate an appreciation of the elements needed for reflection and contemplation or prayer (places, times, foci, stimuli) - *What do we need to do to reflect, think and pray? What helps us reflect, think and pray?*

