

The Happy Worm

Using a large plate that fits inside the page, draw a circle as large as a 8 1/2 X 11 sheet of white paper can hold. This is your pattern for the circles needed to make the worm body parts. Draw another circle on a white sheet of paper for the head of the worm. Or you can just make a copy of the one just drawn. I usually make the face from the side view. I draw one eye (or you can glue on a plastic eye purchased from the craft store) and make a large side smile. Then I cut out the smile to show the mouth open. (See example A). Make the head the same color as the rest of the body. Using the prepared white sheets you can just simply make copies of the pieces needed. Make one copy of the head on sheets of several different colors of paper. One head for each color. Then just make 4 or 5 copies of the plain colored circles for each worm. You can make more copies as needed.

Draw a funny hat to use; you may want 2 or 3 different ones for the kids to choose from. Or you may want to just trace off some from patterns you may have. You can provide ribbon, feathers, etc for the students to glue on their hats if desired. For the purposes of illustration I just went to the clip art on my computer and found the one above.

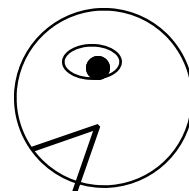
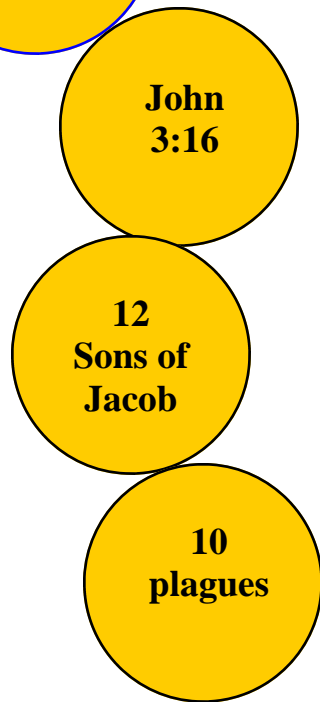
Each student has a different color worm (when possible). That is how they know which one is theirs, otherwise you will need to add their name on the worm. The first week they will fix the head—each student chooses the color, the eyes and hat for their worm.

Now challenge them to begin learning their memory work. Write the work accomplished on the circle and they add it to the worm. Challenge them to see if they can make their worm reach all the way around the room. Just go around, over, under, etc, objects on the walls as needed. The students will love watching their worm grow! Suggest they bring their family by the classroom to show them their worm sometime.

Parents can use this idea to encourage their children to learn more Bible at home. Do it in their room or let their worm grow around the room or area in which you are doing home schooling.

Remember: You can not get to much Bible inside their heads or hearts!!!

Enjoy watching your kids grow in the LORD!!



Example A