

OPEN NIGHT TASTER PROGRAMME

ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION	RESOURCES
Welcome (10 minutes)	Welcome the group to your meeting and get the night started. If you have an 'inspection' or something similar, then now would be a good opportunity to do this too.	
Game (20 minutes)	RUSH (Get Active) A game combining skill, reaction speed and quick thinking. Defend your zone at all costs whilst aiming to eliminate those around you.	Rush Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/rush-activity-card
Activity (40 minutes)	IS IT OK? STEALING (Get Involved) Is stealing ever justified? Or is it always wrong whatever the situation? Explore these questions and more with this 'Is It OK?' activity.	Is It OK? Stealing Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/is-it-ok-stealing-activity-card
Devotions (15 minutes)	BRIDGES NOT WALLS (Get into the Bible) When we disagree or fall out with someone, we have two options – build a bridge or build a wall. Explore how we can be peacemakers by being bridge makers.	Bridges Not Walls Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/bridges-not-walls-activity-card
Game (15 minutes)	FOUR SQUARE (Get Active) An easy to set up game that is great fun and can get very competitive. How long can you survive inside the four square grid?	Four Square Instructions - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/four-square-activity
Close & Goodbye (5 minutes)	Finish by sharing any updates or information young people need to be aware of before they leave. Let them know what you'll be doing next week, to give them something to look forward to. Close the night in prayer.	

Open Night Preparations: Talk to the group and let them know an open night will be happening in two weeks time. Share your plans with the group and ask for their feedback. Are there any activities that they think should be included, to help show your group at its best? Ask the group to think about if they are able to invite any of their friends to the session. You can also start placing posters up, sharing information with your Church and begin to post information on social media.





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Activity (40 minutes)	PYRAMID CATAPULT (Get Creative) Build an impressive and powerful pyramid catapult, then spend time testing the catapult out with some target practice.	Pyramid Catapult Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/pyramid-catapult-activity-card
Devotions (15 minutes)	JUMANJI: TALENTS (Get into the Bible) All of us have our own talents – things we are good at. God calls on us to use our talents for the good of others. Spend some time thinking about how you can do this.	Jumanji: Talents Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/jumanji-talents-activity-card
Game (15 minutes)	ARMAGEDDON (Get Active) A fast-paced game combing dodgeball and football into an ultimate battle to be the last person / team standing.	Armageddon Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/armageddon-activity-card
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Open Night Preparations: Give out 'bring a friend' invitation cards (or similar) to your group and encourage them to bring a friend(s) to next week's open night. Let the group know what you'll be doing at the session so they can help sell the open night to their friends. You could have some vouchers available for any young people that are successful in bringing a mate along. You'll also need to really start pushing the open night on social media and in your community.





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Game (20 minutes)	BLIND FOOTBALL (Get Active) Start your Paralympic themed programme with a game of blind football. Similar to a game of 5 a side, but with adaptions to ensure the game is accessible to those who are visually impaired.	Paralympics Themed Programme Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/paralympics-theme
Activity (20 minutes)	PARALYMPIC SPORTS (Get Learning) An introduction to the Paralympics sports that took place at the 2020 (2021) Paralympic Games in Tokyo. What is your Paralympic sport knowledge like?	Paralympics Themed Programme Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/paralympics-theme
Activity (20 minutes)	INCLUSIVITY GAMES (Get Involved) Consider how some people with disabilities can be left out from activities in society and what we can do to increase their inclusion.	Paralympics Themed Programme Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/paralympics-theme
Devotions (15 minutes)	YES I CAN! (Get into the Bible) The Paralympics feature athletes from around the world who have overcome challenges to be the best of the best at their sport. These athletes show exactly what can be achieved with a bucket load of determination.	Paralympics Themed Programme Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/paralympics-theme
Game (15 minutes)	SITTING VOLLEYBALL (Get Active) Take on a game of sitting volleyball, a sport that has featured at the Paralympic Games since 1980.	Paralympics Themed Programme Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/paralympics-theme
Close & Goodbye (5 minutes)	Finish by thanking everyone for attending your open night and share a little bit of information about some of the activities you have lined up over the coming weeks. Let any new young people know that they will be very welcome to come along again next week. Give these young people a welcome pack to take away with them. Close the night in prayer.	Welcome Packs

Open Night Preparations: Make sure you have plenty of leaders with you for your open night and they all have a role. Give each young person and their parent/carer a warm welcome. You'll need to make sure you have set up your activities in good time beforehand, so you can focus on welcoming young people as they arrive. Make sure to have a welcome pack (or similar) to give to perspective new members, so they have something to take home with them, containing more information about your group and how to join.





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Activity (20 minutes)	MOCKTAILS (Get Creative) Shaken not stirred. Get making some refreshing non-alcoholic mocktails using fruit juices and mixers. The perfect start to a James Bond themed session.	James Bond Themed Programme Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/james-bond-theme
Game (20 minutes)	HIT THE TARGET (Get Active) Take on some target practice training using a nerf gun or water pistol, to see if your shooting skills match up to 007's.	James Bond Themed Programme Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/james-bond-theme
Devotions (15 minutes)	ON A MISSION (Get into the Bible) Jesus, just like Bond, was sent on a mission to do good and save lives. Consider what role you play in Jesus' mission and are you equipped to take it on?	James Bond Themed Programme Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/james-bond-theme
Activity (15 minutes)	SECRET MESSAGE (Get Learning) Much of what James Bond does is top secret and on a need to know basis. Take a look at different ways to code messages and have a go at communicating in code.	James Bond Themed Programme Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/james-bond-theme
Game (20 minutes)	DODGEBALL (Get Active) James Bond is often required to dodge punches, bullets, laser beams and more. Put your dodging skills to the test with a bit of team v team dodgeball. Which player will be last standing?	Dodgeball Rules (Play your own version or search for them via a Google Search)
Close & Goodbye (5 minutes)	Finish by sharing any updates or information young people need to be aware of before they leave. Let them know what you'll be doing next week, to give them something to look forward to. Close the night in prayer.	

Open Night Follow Up: The week following your open night is just as important as the open night itself. Continue to make sure your programme is as attractive and exciting as it can be, making sure all members, new and old, have a great session. It would be beneficial once again to have additional leaders on hand to make sure new members are comfortable and settling in well. Be prepared to welcome new young people again, as some may not have been able to make the open night the week before.

