

OPEN NIGHT TASTER PROGRAMME

| ACTIVITY | DESCRIPTION | RESOURCES |
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| Arrival Activity | WINK MURDER (Get Active) An arrival game to get children involved in an activity the second they walk through the door. Can the detective find the murderer before it's too late? | Wink Murder Instruction - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/wink-murder-activity |
| Welcome (5 minutes) | Say hello to the group, ask how their days have been and give an opportunity for one or two children to share something about their day / week. | |
| Game (20 minutes) | CHARLIE AND THE CHALLENGE FACTORY (Get Active) A challenge based team game themed around Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. | Charlie and the Challenge Factory Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/charlie-activity-card |
| Activity (20 minutes) | 3D HOLOGRAMS (Get Creative) Transform a smart phone or tablet into an impressive hologram projector, using just a few simple pieces of plastic. | 3D Hologram Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/3d-holograms-activity-card |
| Devotions (10 minutes) | WALK OF FAITH (Get into the Bible) Explore what it means to have faith even when you can't see it, with a blindfolded activity and discussion. | Walk of Faith Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/walk-of-faith-activity-card |
| Game (15 minutes) | ZONE FOOTBALL (Get Active) Adapt a game of football to put more emphasis on accurate passing and sneaky interceptions. Perfect for playing in a small hall. | Zone Football Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/zone-football-activity-card |
| Close & Goodbye (5 minutes) | Finish by sharing any prizes won that week, an update to your points chart and give an award for member of the week. Let the group know what to look forward to next week and close in prayer. | Prizes & Awards Chart |

Open Night Preparations: Talk to the group and let them know an open night will be happening in two weeks and start to build the excitement for it. Get the group to think about who they might like to invite. You can also start placing posters up, sharing information with your Church and begin to post information on social media.

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| Arrival Activity | ACTIVITY SHEETS (Get Learning) Print out some activity sheets and let children complete them as they arrive. There are many activity sheets (puzzles, wordsearches, codebreaking etc) on the programme hub. | Downloadable Activity Sheets - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/programme/activity-sheets |
| Welcome (5 minutes) | Say hello to the group, ask how their days have been and give an opportunity for one or two children to share something about their day / week. | |
| Games (20 minutes) | DEFEND THE SKITTLE (Get Active) A team game where children must defend their skittles from attack, whilst also trying to knock over the opposite team's skittles. LASER EYES (Get Active) One person in the room is 'laser eyes'. Can laser eyes be found before he zaps the rest of the children playing? | Defend the Skittle Instructions - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/defend-the-skittle-activity Laser Eyes Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/laser-eyes-activity-card |
| Activity (20 minutes) | AN EGG-STREME CRISIS (Get Involved) Use an egg drop challenge to explore the ways in which poverty can impact people's ability to respond to a crisis. | An Egg-Streme Crisis Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/eggstreme-crisis-activity-card |
| Devotions (10 minutes) | FIGHTING WITH KINDNESS (Get into the Bible) Hold a giant paper ball fight to visually show that we all have a choice on if to throw kind or nasty words/actions around, and the impact these words/actions can have. | Fighting with Kindness Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/fighting-kindness-activity-card |
| Game (15 minutes) | HOCKEY (Get Active) Set up two goals and hand out uni-hoc sticks. This could be played as a team game (i.e 5v5) or individually with children being given numbers and playing when their number is called. | Cones, Uni-hoc sticks, Ball |
| Close & Goodbye (5 minutes) | Finish by sharing any prizes won that week, an update to your points chart and give an award for member of the week. Let the group know what to look forward to next week and close in prayer. | Prizes & Awards Chart |

Open Night Preparations: Give out 'bring a friend' invitation cards 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 and build excitement for those activities. Highlight any prizes you might have for children who bring a friend along. You'll also need to really start pushing the open night on social media and in your community.

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| Arrival Activity | CHOCOLATE WORDSEARCH (Get Learning) Start the chocolate themed open night with a wordsearch. An easy activity to introduce new children to as they arrive. Pair children up and encourage your existing members to make friends with one of the new children. | Downloadable Wordsearches - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/programme/activity-sheets |
| Welcome (5 minutes) | Say hello to the group and welcome any new children who are here for the first time. Make sure everyone feels welcome and share what activities you have lined up. | Chocolate Themed Programme Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/chocolate-theme |
| Games (20 minutes) | CHOCOLATE WRAPPER HUNT (Get Adventurous) Hunt around your meeting space for all your favourite chocolate bars. Can you find them all before the other team(s)? CHOCOLATE TASTERS (Get Learning) Reckon you know your Cadbury Dairy Milk from your Galaxy bar? Put your taste buds to the test with this chocolate tasters activity. | Chocolate Themed Programme Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/chocolate-theme |
| Activity (20 minutes) | CHOCOLATE INVENTORS (Get Creative) Become a chocolate inventor, like Willy Wonka, and use your creative skills to design a brand new chocolate bar bursting with exciting flavours. Once you've created the bar, come up with an imaginative name and wrapper design. | Chocolate Themed Programme Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/chocolate-theme |
| Devotions (10 minutes) | SMARTIES PRAYER (Get into the Bible) Combine prayer with chocolate as you structure a prayer by using the colours found in a tube of smarties. Don't forget to eat the smarties as you pray! | Chocolate Themed Programme Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/chocolate-theme |
| Game (15 minutes) | 'THAT SOUNDS LIKE CHOCOLATE' MATCHING GAME (Get Active) Can you match the chocolate description with the correct bar? | Chocolate Themed Programme Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/chocolate-theme |
| Close & Goodbye (5 minutes) | Finish by sharing any prizes won that week, an update to your points chart and give an award for member of the week. Ask new children if they have had a good time and hand them a welcome pack to take home. | Prizes & Awards Chart |

Open Night Preparations: Make sure you have plenty of leaders with you for your open night and they all have a role. Give each child 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 new members as they arrive. Make sure to have a welcome pack (or similar) to give to new children, so they have something to take home with them, containing more information about your group and how to join.

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| Arrival Activity | ULTIMATE ROCK, PAPER, SCISSORS (Get Active) A game that is easy to join in with as children arrive. Two teams go head-to-head, working their way through a snake of cones, winning rock paper scissor games along the way. | Cones, Instructions (Autumn 2019 Juniors Programme Cards) |
| Welcome (5 minutes) | Say hello to the group, welcome back any new children, ask how everyone's days have been and give an opportunity for one or two children to share something about their day / week. | |
| Games (20 minutes) | SPIDER'S WEB (Get Adventurous) Squeeze through a spider's web without getting caught by it. A great test of teamwork, agility and spatial awareness. TIC, TAC, THROW (Get Active) Bring noughts and crosses to life in a game that requires accurate throwing skills as well as tactical play. | Spider's Web Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/spiders-web-activity-card Tic, Tac, Throw Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/tic-tac-throw-activity-card |
| Activity (20 minutes) | MINIATURE CATAPULTS (Get Creative) Build a miniature catapult using just a few simple resources. Then test out the catapult to see how far you can launch things. | Miniature Catapults Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/mini-catapults-activity-card |
| Devotions (10 minutes) | TRUST (Get into the Bible) Use an impressive object lesson to explore what it means to trust someone. Who can we trust? Can we trust God? | Trust Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/trust-activity-card |
| Game (15 minutes) | DODGEBALL (Get Active) A favourite game for most Boys' Brigade groups. Dodge the balls being thrown at you to stay in the game. Who will be the last person standing? | Dodgeball Activity Card - https://boys-brigade.org.uk/dodgeball-activity |
| Close & Goodbye (5 minutes) | Finish by sharing any prizes won that week, an update to your points chart and give an award for member of the week. Let the group know what to look forward to next week and close in prayer. | Prizes & Awards Chart |

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 children again, as some may not have been able to make the open night the week before.