

One-Hour Kids Church

You can do this! Follow this simple outline to facilitate a great kids' ministry experience in any setting. Make sure you have read through this outline, have a Bible lesson ready (use a [video lesson](#)!) and have your [Kidmin Bin](#) available. Pray for God's guidance as you lead your kids, and you are ready to go!

1. Arriving Kids (1-5 min)

- Direct kids to where you want them to sit.
- If you have kids arriving over a longer period of time, have an individual activity for them to do; like a colouring page or activity sheet.

2. Welcome (5 min)

- Grab the kid's attention with a big, "HELLO EVERYONE!"
- Ask kids how their week was.
- Ask if anything exciting happened that they want to share.

3. Game Time (5-10 min)

- Play a game from the "[Games and Activities](#)" page.

4. Music (5 min)

- Get all the kids to stand up and encourage them to dance and move as you sing to Jesus!
- Play a [worship song from a video](#) (even from your phone with a Bluetooth speaker) or sing a song that you know a cappella.



5. Bible Story Time (10-15 min)

- Share a [Bible lesson](#) that you have prepared ahead of time.
- Or read a Bible story from a [Children's Bible](#) (or NLT Bible)
- Or Use a [video lesson](#) if you don't have time to prepare or are not comfortable teaching.

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6. Response Time (5-10 min)

- Choose some of the following questions to ask your kids. You may have to ask each question in a different way that is more specific to the story and lead kids towards an answer:
 - Who were the people in today's story? What happened in the story?
 - How did the story make you feel? What would you have done if you were in their shoes?
 - Did the people in the story learn anything? What did they learn?
 - What can we learn from this story? What can we learn about how Jesus wants us to live?

7. Prayer Time (5 min)

- Ask if any of the kids have prayer requests.
- Encourage them to pray out loud for each other if they are comfortable.
- End prayer time with a short prayer for all of the kids.

8. Activity Time (15 min)

- Finish off your time with a game or activities from the [Kidmin Bin](#).

Do you have more than 60 minutes?

- Choose a [memory verse game](#) to play
- Add an activity or game in between the Bible Story and Response Time.
- Have kids start with an activity time before the official welcome.
- Let the response time go as long as the kids are engaged
- End with alternating (in 10 minutes blocks) games and activities until your time is up.

Do you have more time to prepare?

- Bring a themed colouring or activity sheet.
- Plan a themed game for the activity.
- Bring a special snack.
 - [Pinterest](#) is Kids' Church Leader's best friend. Simply type the name of the Bible story and what you want.
 - Examples:
 - Jonah and the Whale kids snack, Jesus feeds 5000 kids crossword, Genesis creation story kids game

