

Large Group

Choose Your Character

Series at a Glance for Elevate

About this Series:

Have you ever created a character in a video game? You might pick what they look like, sound like, and what they can do. In life, our "character" is our personality, the way we live. In this series, we'll find out what kind of "character" we were made to have by learning about the character of the one who made us: God!

Key Verse:

Colossians 3:10- You have started living a new life. Your knowledge of how that life should have the Creator's likeness is being made new.

Weekly Overview:

Lesson:	Title:	Big Idea:
Lesson 1: September 10/11	What is "Character?" Genesis 1:27	I am made to reflect God's character.
Lesson 2: September 17/18	God is Wise Joseph: Genesis 37-50	God shows me how to live wisely.
Lesson 3: September 24/25	God is Creator Genesis 1-2	God made me on purpose.
Lesson 4: October 1/2	God is Faithful Abraham: Genesis 12-21	God will always keep His promises.
Lesson 5: October 8/9	God is Present 1 Kings 20 - Hills and Valleys	God will always be with me.
Lesson 6: * October 15/16	God is Love Jesus' Story- John 18-21	I can follow God because He loves me.
Lesson 7: October 22/23	God is Forgiving Jonah	I can forgive because God forgives.
Lesson 8: October 29/30	God is Good Esther	God is good, even when life is tough.

Choose Your Character Lesson Outline for Elevate

Lesson 3: God is Creator

Lesson Segment	Total Running Time
Opening Song and Welcome (1:00)	
Team Time (14:00)	
Media Part 1 (4:00)	0:00 - 19:00
Group Time 1 (Activity) (8:00)	
Media Part 2 (4:00)	
Group Time 2 (Discussion) (7:00)	19:00 - 38:00
Media Part 3 (4:00)	
Worship (8:00)	
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Media Part 4 (4:00)	
Wrap-Up (1:00)	38:00 - 55:00









Opening Song and Welcome

1:00



(Roll when directed) Elevate Opener

Do This: During the song, encourage kids to find a place to sit, and let them know it's time to get started.

Welcome everyone, let's get started! I'm so glad you're all here! Come on up and find a place to sit.



(Auto advance) Elevate Slide and Underscore

My name is _____, and I'm so excited to be here with all of you!

Elevate is an awesome place where we get to have fun and learn about God. It's also a place where we show respect. We <u>respect the leaders</u> in here by listening and following their instructions. We <u>respect others</u> by being kind and keeping our hands to ourselves. And we <u>respect the room</u> by being safe, and not damaging anything. Showing respect like that helps us all have an awesome time.

Team Time 14:00



Series Title Slide: "Choose Your Character" and clear audio

We are in a series called "Choose Your Character." Have you ever created a character in a video game? You might pick what they look like, sound like, and what they can do. In life, our "character" is our personality, the way we choose to live. When we say someone is encouraging, hopeful, curious, or caring, we're describing their character. In this series, we're learning about the "character" of God. God is loving, wise, faithful, and good, and we're going to see why knowing that should change the way we live.

Let's kick things off with a game called "What's the Purpose?" Game Title Slide: "What's the Purpose?"
In this game, we're going to see a random object, and you'll have to guess what it's used for- what it's purpose is. You'll have to show me your answer by moving to one of the signs around the room labeled A, B, C, or D. Let's give it a try! Fry Cutter Image (and fun game music!) A. Bug Catcher B. French Fry Chopper C. Pizza Cutter D. Portable Guitar
Do This : Read the answers from the screen.
What do you think this is? Show me your answer!
Let's find out if you're right! Fry Cutter Image A. Bug Catcher B. French Fry Chopper C. Pizza Cutter D. Portable Guitar
It's B, a French Fry chopper! Let's check out our next unusual object.
Gramophone image A. Telephone B. Workout Machine C. Music Player D. Alarm Clock
Do This : Read the answers from the screen.

What do you think this is? Move to the letter that matches your answer!

Let's find out if you're right.

Gramophone image A. Telephone B. Workout Machine C. Music Player D. Alarm Clock		
This is an old music player called a "gramophone." Get ready for another object! Toaster Image A. Toaster B. Hat		
C. Cheese Grater D. Train Whistle		
Do This : Read the answers from the screen.		
What do you think this is? Move to the letter that matches your answer!		
Let's find out if you're right!		
Toaster Image (in use) A. Toaster B. Hat C. Cheese Grater D. Train Whistle		
That was a toaster! Here you can see how it is used. Let's keep on going!		
Golf Ball Image A. Baseball B. Golf Ball C. Bowling Ball D. Pluto		
Do This : Read the answers from the screen.		
What is this the inside of? Show me which answer you think is correct?		

Let's find out if you're right!

Golf Ball Image A. Baseball B. Golf Ball C. Bowling Ball D. Pluto		
It was a golf ball! We've only got a couple left, let's check out this next picture.		
Apple Picker Image A. Cooking Eggs		
B. Combing Hair C. Catching Birds		
D. Picking Apples		
Do This : Read the answers from the screen.		
What do you think this is used for? Show me your answer!		
Let's find out if you're right.		
Apple Picker Image		
A. Cooking Eggs B. Combing Hair		
C. Catching Birds D. Picking Apples		
b. Ticking Apples		
t's D- Picking Apples! Let's take a look at our last item. What was this used for?		
Sock Stretcher Image		
A. Playing Hockey B. Driving Horses		
C. Stretching Socks D. Putting Up Christmas Lights		
Do This : Read the answers from the screen.		
What do you think this is used for? Show me your answer!		

Let's find out if you're right.

Sock Stretcher Image A. Playing Hockey B. Driving Horses C. Stretching Socks D. Putting Up Christmas Lights
This is a sock stretcher! If you guessed "C," you're right.
Game Title Slide: "What's the Purpose?" (and clear audio)
Good job everyone! You can find a spot to sit and get ready to answer our question of the day.
Question of the Day Video
(Auto Advance) QOTD Slide: What's something you've made?
Our question today is: What's something you've made? It could be something you built, or wrote, or anything else you've made. Turn to someone near you and tell them about it. Make sure to listen to their answer, too. Do This: Allow kids to talk for about 30 seconds. Know This: You can share your answer briefly, too!
Series Title Slide: Choose Your Character

It's so fun to create different things, and when we do, we usually make those things for a reason.

Media Part 1 4:00

God made every one of us, and He made us for a reason, too. Today our friends in the Comics Café are learning about how God made each of us with a purpose. Let's find out what they're up to.



Media: Part 1 (4:00)

(Auto advance) Group Time Slide				
It's easy to wonder why we're here, or what we're supposed to do. Taylor is wondering about her purpose, and I think that's important for us to think about too.				
Next up, we're headed to our groups for an activity that can teach us more about why God made us. Look for your group's flag, and I'll see you in a few minutes!				
Group Time 1: Activity	8:00			
8:00 Group Time Countdown				
(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Choose Your Character				
Do This : Make sure each kid finds their group. Help group le Encourage kids as they do an activity related to the day's top				
Know This : During this time, groups are expected to comple around the lesson we're learning. Make sure group leaders he need and that they understand what they're doing in this sec	ave all the supplies that they			
Media Part 2	4:00			
You can come back to the middle and find a spot to sit. New with Comics Cafe to find out what happens to Taylor. Media: Part 2 (4:00)	xt up, let's check back in			

(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Choose Your Character

What do you think will happen? We'll find out in a few minutes, but first you can head to your group area to talk about what you think Taylor should do, and how we can know God's purpose for us.

I'll see you back here in a few minutes.

Group Time 2 (Discussion)

7:00



7:00 Group Time Countdown



(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Choose Your Character

Do This: Make sure each kid finds their group. Help group leaders if there is a need. Encourage kids as they work to discuss the question.

Know This: During this time, groups are expected to look in the Bible to see if they can solve the big question presented in the media. They'll spend time reading the Bible and discussing the problem. Help group leaders engage kids and facilitate discussion as much as possible.

Media Part 3 4:00

I believe that God made every one of you with a purpose, and the Bible shows us that. To find out how, we get to hear a story from the Bible about how our world was made.



Media: Part 3 (4:00)



(Auto advance) Worship Slide

God made this whole world, and He made it on purpose. So we can always trust that God knows what's best for us.

Worship

8:00

way to learn about God is by worshipping Him and singing about Him. Let's do that now! Get up on your feet and get ready to move!			
Song #1: Even When			
(Auto-Advance) Worship Slide			
Let's keep on singing and moving with another amazing song.			
Song #2: Never Give Up			
(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Choose Your Character			
Singing with all of you is awesome. You can sit, and let's take a moment to talk to God.			
God, we love you. Thank you for designing us with a purpose. Help live the way you made us to every day. Amen.	us to follow you and		
Media Part 4	4:00		
You can come back to the middle and find a spot to sit. Next up, le we've been hearing wraps up.	t's see how the story		
Media: Part 4 (4:00)			
(Auto advance) Series Title Slide: Choose Your Character			
Wrap-Up	1:00		

The more we learn about God, the better we'll know His purpose for us. One great

That is so important to remember. God has a purpose and a plan for us, no matter what we're going through.

I've had a lot of fun learning with you today! I'm so glad you were here, and I hope to see you all next week to keep learning more about God.



