

FOREST FRIENDS

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Forest Friends

Series at a Glance for Kid-O-Deo

About this Series

Join us on a trip through our Kid-O-Deo forest! We'll meet all the animals, have fun, and make lots of new friends, while learning how we can be good friends and family members.

Memory Verse

Proverbs 17:17 - A friend loves at all times.

Weekly Overview

Lesson:	Topic:	Big Idea:
Lesson 1: September 7/8	Being a Friend Jesus Chooses Disciples—Luke 6:12-16	I can be a friend.
Lesson 2: September 14/15	Being Kind The Good Samaritan—Luke 10:25-37	I can be kind.
Lesson 3: September 21/22	Telling the Truth Zacchaeus—Luke 19:1-10	I can tell the truth.
Lesson 4: September 28/29	Listening Mary and Martha—Luke 10:38-42	I can listen.
Lesson 5: October 5/6	Helping Ruth and Naomi—Ruth	I can help others.
Lesson 6: October 12/13	Sharing Fish and Loaves—John 6	I can share.
Lesson 7: October 19/20	Forgiving Jesus forgives Peter—John 21	I can forgive.
Lesson 8: October 26/27	Believing Gospel Story—John 18-21	I can be friends with Jesus.

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Lesson 1: Being a Friend

How do you find a great friend? This week, we'll hear about how Jesus met some of His closest friends and learn why making good friends starts with being a good friend.

Lesson 2: Being Kind

What does a good friend do? On our walk through the forest this week, we'll hear a story Jesus told about how kindness is an important part of being a good friend.

Lesson 3: Telling the Truth

When Zacchaeus met Jesus, his life was completely changed. One of the biggest differences was that Zacchaeus began telling the truth. This week, we'll see how honesty can make a huge difference in our lives, too!

Lesson 4: Listening

What are some things you listen to? This week, we'll see how listening can help us be a good friend and family member and hear the story of someone who was so busy, they almost forgot to listen to Jesus.

Lesson 5: Helping

Everyone needs help sometimes, even grown-ups! This week, we'll hear how Ruth helped her grown-up in a really tough time and think of ways we can help others today.

Lesson 6: Sharing

Sharing with others makes a difference! Just ask a young boy who shared his lunch with Jesus and ended up sharing it with thousands of people! We'll find out what happened this week.

Lesson 7: Forgiving

When we have friends, we'll sometimes need to forgive. This week, we'll hear about a time when Jesus had to forgive one of his friends and see how we can follow His example and forgive others.

Lesson 8: Believing

Jesus shows us how to be good friends, family members, and neighbors, but most of all, He shows us that God loves us! Every one of us can choose to be Jesus' friend and follower today.

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Lesson Outline for Kid-O-Deo

Lesson 3: Telling the Truth

Lesson Segment	Total Running Time
Kid-O Playtime (10:00)	00:00-10:00
Transition Time (2:00)	
Opening Song (3:00)	
Introduction and Rules (2:00)	
Worship Song: Hosanna Rock (3:00)	
Big Idea (2:00)	
Bible Adventure (6:00)	
Memory Verse (3:00)	
Worship Song: Shout (3:00)	
Try it Out (5:00)	
Kid-O-Whampus (2:00)	
Prayer (2:00)	10:00-43:00
Transition Time (2:00)	
Group Time (15:00)	43:00-60:00



Video Cue



Slide Cue



Audio Cue



Tech Notes

Transition Time

2:00

Do This: By 10 minutes after the start of the Adult Service, walk into every Pre-K Room and introduce yourself. Tell kiddos to follow the directions of their room leaders, clean up, line up, and that you will see them in a little bit in the large group room.

Know This: *You are these Kid-Os' experience of church!* Your tone, attitude, and actions are forming the way these kids think about God, church, and even people in general. You have the opportunity through what you do and say to create an environment where they feel welcome, included, and valuable!

Opening Song

3:00



(Roll when directed) Kid-O-Deo Theme Song Video



(Auto advance) Kid-O-Deo Slide

Introduction and Rules

2:00

Welcome everyone! My name is _____, and I'm super excited to see each and every one of you! I am so glad that all of you are here. During our time together, we'll get to sing a couple fun songs, practice our memory verse, and hear an awesome story. Before we do any of that, there are three important things for you to remember. They are our Kid-O-Deo rules!

Do This: Spend some extra time explaining the rules as there will likely be several new Kid-Os in your space. There are examples of language you can use within the listing of the three rules, but whatever you say here, try to make sure it's consistent across the Large Group Leaders at your campus.

Know This: This is a great opportunity to set the tone and expectations for your time together. Kids like to know what's expected of them too—it helps them feel safe and secure. You can make this section informative, helpful, and fun all at the same time!

Rule #1: *When I'm talking you are listening!*

We have so many great things to do together today, and that's why we want to make sure everyone follows this first rule. It's so important that we are going to practice it right now. Please put on your listening ears and turn them way up! Now, on the count of three, let's practice being very quiet and listening! 1, 2, 3!

Rule #2: Keep your hands and feet to yourself!

We want this to be a great place for all you leaders and Kid-Os, which means no poking, kicking, or bugging your neighbor. A good way to remember this rule is to: do a little clap and place your hands in your lap!

Rule #3: Stay in your spot!

Everyone has a spot here in Kid-O-Deo, and your spot today can be right where you're sitting. When there are Kid-Os running around or coming on the stage, it can make it really hard to learn and have fun. So, let's take our special glue sticks and put some glue on our spot! This glue is special because it helps you sit when it's time to listen, but it lets you stand when it's time to do things like sing.

Great job listening to our rules. The rules are really great because they can help us learn and have lots of fun while we're here!

Worship

3:00

Now you can all stand up because it's time to sing "Hosanna Rock." Hosanna is a word we can use to tell God that we love Him. God loves hearing us praise Him!



Song 1: Hosanna Rock



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Big Idea

2:00

It's so fun singing with you, Kid-Os! You can sit down. We're in our third week of a series called "Forest Friends." We have some great forest friends here in Kid-O-Deo, and in this series, we're getting to meet a lot of them! Right now, one of our forest friends wants to help us learn something important, called our "Big Idea."

Our Big Idea is the one big thing we're learning about today. Let's find out what it is!



Big Idea Jingle



(Auto advance) Big Idea Slide: I can tell the truth.

Thanks Frank the Frog! He was asking what our Big Idea is! The Big Idea today is, “I can tell the truth.” Can you repeat that after me? The Big Idea. THE BIG IDEA. I can tell the truth. I CAN TELL THE TRUTH.

Do This: Show Kid-Os the actions and have them practice the Big Idea with you three times. Use a different voice each time. **Voice ideas for this week: Jumping Frog, Chattering Chipmunk, Swimming Fish.**

Know This: These are the Big Idea actions: (Palms face out with arms in front of you and move hands downward and to the sides) The Big Idea (Thumbs point toward self) I can (Cup hands around mouth) tell the truth.

Awesome job practicing our Big Idea! You can all sit down.

All day today, we need to remember that big idea about telling the truth. Throughout our time together, if you hear the Big Idea Bugle which sounds like this...



Bugle sound effect

...then it means we need to say our Big Idea to keep going with the lesson. You can say it and still do the actions while you’re sitting in your spot. Let’s practice!



Big Idea Bugle

All right, let’s say the Big Idea all together. THE BIG IDEA. I CAN TELL THE TRUTH! You’ve got it!



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Bible Adventure

5:00

We have some forest friends with us today! This is Rocky the Raccoon, Tweet the Bird, Mr. Bear, and Waddles the Duck!

Our forest friends are going to guide us deeper into the forest for our Bible Adventure. Let's go!



Bible Adventure Jingle

Do This: Show kids the Bible.

The Bible is an amazing book from God. It has stories about God and His Son, Jesus, and it tells us about how God made us to live. Today we are going to hear a story about someone who really met Jesus and saw how important it is to tell the truth.

Do This: Get the Bible storybook out and sit down in the chair.

This story you are going to hear comes from the Bible, but we use this storybook because the pictures help us imagine what it might have looked like back when the Bible was written. The pictures you see in here are the same as the ones on the screen. Let's get started!

Do This: Have kids help you "turn" the pages on the screen with an exaggerated arm wave.



Picture 1: Zacchaeus with moneybags

This is Zacchaeus. His job was to collect money from people and give the money to the rulers of the country to build things like roads and buildings. Sometimes, Zacchaeus would lie about how much he was supposed to collect and keep the extra people's money for himself. When he did that, was Zacchaeus telling the truth? NO.



Picture 2: Jesus teaching, Zacchaeus in tree

One day, God's Son Jesus visited the town where Zacchaeus lived. Jesus was walking through town, and there were so many people following him, that Zacchaeus couldn't even see! Can you see what Zacchaeus did? CLIMBED A TREE! Zacchaeus climbed a tree to see Jesus. Let's find out what Jesus did next.



Picture 3: Jesus talking to Zacchaeus.

Jesus stopped right under Zacchaeus' tree. Jesus knew that Zacchaeus hadn't been telling the truth, but Jesus still cared about him, and wanted to be his friend. He invited Zacchaeus to come down.



Picture 4: Zacchaeus and Jesus walking.

Jesus and Zacchaeus talked, and Zacchaeus realized how much he had hurt others and been unkind. Zacchaeus promised Jesus that he would give back all the money he had taken from others and said he would always do his best to tell the truth.



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Great listening, Kid-Os! Telling the truth is an important part of being a good friend and family member. Zacchaeus learned that when we don't tell the truth, that's being unkind to other people, and could hurt their feelings or make them feel sad. Telling the truth is so important. That's what our Big Idea was about, too!



Big Idea Bugle

It's the Big Idea Bugle! Let's say our Big Idea together. THE BIG IDEA. I CAN TELL THE TRUTH!

Memory Verse

3:00



Memory Verse Jingle



(Auto-advance) Memory Verse: Proverbs 17:17 - A friend loves at all times.

It's time to practice our Memory Verse! Our Memory Verses come from the Bible.

Do This: Read the verse from the screen.

Our Memory Verse means that being a friend means loving other people. When we love someone and care about them, it's important to tell them the truth, like Zacchaeus learned in our Bible Adventure. Let's say our memory verse together!

Do This: Practice the verse with the Kid-Os three times. Start crouching down and use your small/little voice, then stand squatting slightly and use your medium voice, and then stand on your tippy toes and use your big voice!

Know This: The verse with actions goes like this: (Open your Bibles) Proverbs 17:17 (Arms crossed over chest with palms closed) A friend loves (hands out in front of you with palms up, then move hands out to your sides) at all times.

Super job practicing your Memory Verse, Kid-Os!

Worship

3:00

Everyone stay standing because we are going to sing another song together. In this song, we get to sing and shout about how wonderful God is!



Song 2: Shout



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Try it Out

5:00

Awesome singing, everyone! You can sit down.



Big Idea Bugle

Did you hear that? It's our Big Idea Bugle again! Let's say our Big Idea together. **THE BIG IDEA. I CAN TELL THE TRUTH!**

Great job, everyone. Now it's time try out what we've been learning today.



Try it Out Jingle

We are going to check in with our friend Brandon. He's going to help us see what telling the truth looks like!



Try It Out Media

Do This: Lead the Kid-Os in responding to the video when Brandon asks a question.



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See you later, Brandon! Choosing to tell the truth like Zacchaeus did is so important. When we tell the truth, our grown-ups and friends will trust us and believe us. Even when it's tough, telling the truth is part of being a good friend and family member.

We have learned so much today. You know what? I think it's almost time for a super fun Kid-O-Whampus, but there's something we need to do first.



Big Idea Bugle

We are going to say our Big Idea together one more time! Ready? THE BIG IDEA. I CAN TELL THE TRUTH. Nice job!

Kid-O-Whampus

2:00

Now it's time to sing, dance, and play a game in "Kid-O-Whampus!"



Kid-O-Whampus: Wiggle It

Prayer

2:00



(Auto-Advance) "Take-Homes"

That was so much fun! You can all sit down.

Do This: Show kids the *Forest Friends* book, Family Connection Card, and the Memory Verse Card.

We have some awesome things that you'll get when you leave today if you didn't get them last week! You'll get this card that talks about what we learn each week here in Kid-O-Deo, and it has a fun game you can play on the back. You'll also get a Memory Verse Card. This card helps you practice the Memory Verse at home so when you come back next time, you can say it to a leader and get a prize! You'll also get your very own book to take home. It's about our friends, Tweet the Bird and Waddles the Duck!



"Let's Pray"

Now it's time for us to pray by talking to God. You can talk to God anytime, anywhere, and about anything. This is a time for us to talk to God together! We'll put our hands in our laps and close our eyes to help us focus on what we're saying to God. If you want to, you can repeat this prayer after me.

Dear God, we love you. Thank you for loving us. Help us to tell the truth. Amen.



Kid-O-Deo Slide

It's been awesome being here with you, Kid-Os. Now it's time for you to go back to your rooms where you will get into groups with your leader and other Kid-Os, have a snack, and do a fun activity. Have a great group time!