

# Games to Find Out the Word of the Night

## **Fill in the blank**

This game is based off of the game show "Wheel of Fortune." Bring a dry erase board, a marker, and an eraser. If your word of the night is Patience, then you would write "\_\_\_ A \_\_\_ \_\_\_ E \_\_\_ \_\_\_ E" on your board. Give the children a chance to guess the missing letters. You may even want to write a number of letter choices on the bottom of your board to help the game go a bit faster. For instance, have 5 letters that are in the word and 5 that are not. Each child that guesses a correct letter gets a piece of candy.

## **Pick a Card**

Print off or write 5-7 different possible words of the night on notecards or strips of paper. Then walk through the audience and have several children choose one of the cards until they are all gone. Then announce that the winner has the card that says your word of the night.

## **Standing Around**

Again print off or write out 4 possible words of the night on 4 separate half sheets of paper. Set the four papers on the floor in the front of the room. Choose some children to go up to the front and stand by the word they think is the word of the night. They can each stand on a different word or all stand on the same one. After all have chosen a word, call out the word of the night and those standing on it get a piece of candy.

## **Foreign Language**

This one is done exactly like the "Standing Around" game above except you write the words out in a foreign language. You can use free translator websites to do this or make up your own language or symbols. You will tell the children "our word of the night is patience. I have four words written in Chinese up here. Come stand by the Chinese word that you think means patience." Then show the children the correct answer and award prizes to those who chose correctly.

## **On the Ball**

In this game, write the word of the night on one piece of paper, then crumple it into a ball. Take 3 other similar pieces of paper and crumple them into a ball as well. Choose four children and have them come to the

front and pick up one of the paper balls. The one who chose the ball with the word written inside of it is the winner and gets a piece of candy.

### **On the Hunt**

In this game, find a verse in the Bible that has your word of the night in it. Then tell the children that the word of the night is found for example in Philippians 4:8... it is the tenth word in the verse. Allow the kids to look it up and then stand when they have the answer. The first to stand and say the correct word is the winner and gets a piece of candy.