

Welcome to ABC Jesus Loves Me

ABCJesusLovesMe™ is an educational ministry that equips adults with materials needed to be intentional in educating children. ABCJesusLovesMe provides five comprehensive, research-based curricula for ages 1-5 that focus on academics, development, and Bible learning through play. Additionally, a Bible curriculum, unit studies, digital downloads, and the Be Intentional Planner accompany the core curricula. These materials are sufficient on their own, but the heart of ABCJesusLovesMe is to offer guidance, support, trainings, and direction to make your educational efforts at home, preschool, or church successful.

Our Motto

To equip and empower adults to be intentional and enable children to learn through play.

We Believe

Children are blessings from God. Learning should be incorporated into the child's day instead of controlling his/her day. Preschoolers should be able to explore, play, and learn new things through trial and error, not through "drill and kill." Learning comes through exposure, conversations, and play. Adults are commanded by God to "impress" His truths on children (Deuteronomy 6:4-9).

Why?

- ABCJLM has a **proven track record** of remarkably preparing children for kindergarten.
- Learning occurs through **play-based** and **age-appropriate** activities.
- The Preschool Curricula are **comprehensive** covering all areas of learning. No supplement needed!
- Instead of pulling together lesson plans, the hard work has been done so you can **focus on the children!**
- Written so anyone can use, but Heidi is available to answer questions and brainstorm to **help** you be successful.



2 Year Curriculum

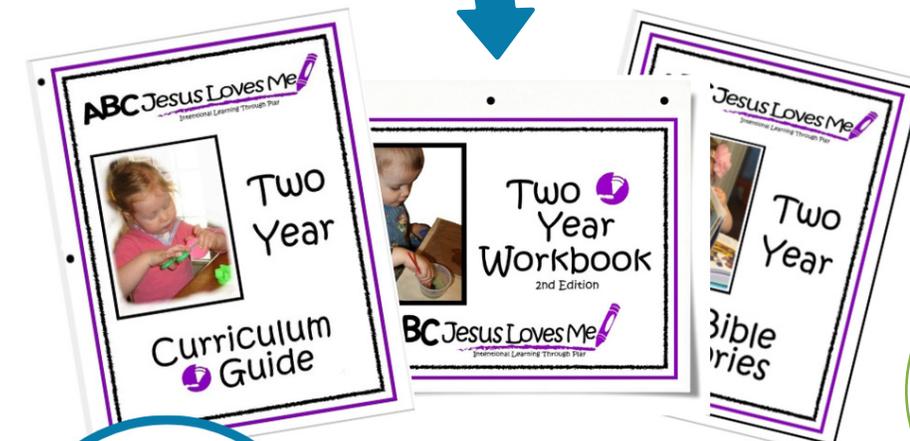
Overview

The 2 Year curriculum is for children ages 24-36 months. Children are introduced to academic, Bible, and developmental learning and adults are provided unique ways to give purpose to daily activity and play.

Curriculum Guide:
This printed book contains 36 Lesson Plans to cover 9-12 months.

Workbook:
This printed book contains almost 100 activity sheets to further the learning.

Interactive Bible Stories:
28 scripts provide an interactive way to share the Bible stories. Optional flannelgraph suggestions included in this Digital Download.



All items are available as a bundle or a la carte.

Curriculum Guide
+
Workbook
+
Digital Downloads

2 Year Bundle

Three sample digital download cards are shown. The first is 'Genesis 11' with a globe and text about God creating the heavens and the earth. The second is 'This Little Light of Mine' with a candle and text about the light of the Lord. The third is 'The Busy Busy Spider' with a spider and text about spinning a web.

For home, preschool, or daycare use.

Supplemental Digital Downloads:

- Bible Song Packet
- Poem Packet
- Memory Verse Packet

Includes both travel and poster sizes.

Each curriculum was created based upon research and professional expectations by the American Academy of Pediatrics Developmental Milestones and State Standards for Preschool, and the requirements set by kindergarten teachers. Every curriculum is also approved by two former 1st grader teachers with a combined 85 years of experience. Also, all activities and stories are kid approved by my own children and the kiddos that I teach.

Academics

"The activities that are the easiest, cheapest, and most fun to do - such as singing, playing games, reading, storytelling, and just talking and listening - are also the best for child development." ~ Jerome Singer

Introductory Learning

The 2 Year Curriculum is an introduction to learning, any retention that occurs is a fun bonus! Objectives are the learning goals that are introduced to the child over one week's time. As much as possible, incorporate learning in play time and daily activities. Review weeks include optional field trip ideas and "Making Memories" activities. Below are samples of what is included in this curriculum.

Sample Learning



- Colors
- Shapes
- Numbers
- Counting to 10
- Letters
- Emotions
- Following 2-step directions
- Vocabulary
- Use crayons



Poems, Song, & Rhymes



Digital Downloads

Rhyming is introduced through poems, songs, and books. While it may seem silly to adults, rhyming is fun for children and a very important part of reading success. A phonemic awareness skill, rhyming helps children hear and manipulate sounds in words, thus improving their oral language skills. Rhyming also helps children recognize the rhythm of language which is important for fluency and comprehension. Below are some of the poems the child will enjoy learning.

- Humpty Dumpty
- Little Miss Muffet
- Jack and Jill
- Right Hand, Left Hand
- One Rock, Two Rock
- I Have 10 Fingers

Literacy

Each Lesson Plan includes a Book of the Week that ties with the theme. These are considered to be the best books for older preschool-age children. Quality, classic books support learning objectives. Suggestions in the curricula aid the adult in building interest in the story, aiding in comprehension, developing imagination, and teaching the child to use visual clues as a reading strategy. Activities provide additional learning opportunities.

Sample Books



- Barnyard Dance
- Press Here
- Hop on Pop
- Silly Sally
- Little Blue Truck

Activities



- Character
- Picture Walk
- Pragmatics
- Vocabulary
- Teachable Moments

Bible

The gospel is so simple that small children can understand it, and it is so profound that studies by the wisest theologians will never exhaust its riches.
-Charles Hodge

Overview

The goal of the 2 Year Curriculum is to introduce the child to stories in the Bible through popular themes such as: God Made the World Around Me; Thank You, God for Making Me; Jesus is My Shepherd. Activities are provided for the the Bible story. Part of the Bundle, the ABCJesusLovesMe Interactive Bible Stories provide an age-appropriate script to actively include the child in the story. Optional flannelgraph suggestions are included for added visual and tactile learning.

ABCJesusLovesMe
Week 1: Creation Days 1-2

Supplies
• Bible
• Black sheet, fabric piece

Flannelgraph®
• Water/Toy Board

Theme: God Made the World Around Me
Story: Genesis 1:1-10 (Day, Night, Water, Sky)

If possible, turn off lights in room. Thumbs up every time you say "It was good." Begin with a black sheet over the flannelboard.

Our memory verse this week is found in the very first book of the Bible, Genesis, and the very first verse, Genesis chapter 1, verse 1. It says "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth." Do the memory verse actions.

But it is the next verse that tells us what it was like before God created the heavens and the earth. Genesis 1:2 tells us that in the beginning the earth didn't have shape. It was empty. There was darkness over the surface of the water. Only God was there. No people. No trees. No signs. No rainbows.

Imagine what it would have been like if everywhere you looked it was black as night, without the sun, any lights or candles. Shut your eyes tight. It was dark. Now take your hand and cover your eyes to make it even darker. Now, open your eyes and look at this black sheet. In the beginning, everywhere you looked was complete darkness. What if it would have been very dark.

On Day 1 of the heavens and the earth, God said, "Let there be light." Turn on the lights. And there was light and God blessed it. It was good. Thumbs up. God called the light "day" and the darkness "night." Put black sheet up on flannelboard to only show the water. But the world was only water. All water everywhere.

So God said on Day 2, "Let there be a separation between the water." Water stay down here. And up above, God called it sky. Remove black sheet. And God saw that everything He made was good. Thumbs up. Say, "It was good!"

More information to introduce learning: ABCJesusLovesMe.com/bible/how-to-teach

Teachable Moment:
Each time you turn on the lights say, "God said, 'Let there be light!'"

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Memory Verses

Each week includes a simple memory verse set to a song with actions to help the child hide God's Word in his/her heart.

Sample Verses

- Genesis 1:1
- Psalm 118:1a
- Psalm 139:14a
- I John 4:8b
- Psalm 23:1
- I Thessalonians 5:17
- Matthes 28:6b
- Ephesians 4:32a

I John 4:8b L.V.

God
is love.

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Jesus Loves the Little Children
Traditional

Jesus loves the little children
(point up)

All the children of the world
(spread arms wide)

Red and yellow, black and white
(point 4x across body)

They are precious in His sight
(point to eye)

Jesus loves the little children of the world



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Songs

The Bible songs are old "Sunday School" favorites or piggyback songs. If the song is not familiar to you, please visit ABCJesusLovesMe.com to watch videos of each song with actions.

Sample Songs

- Pat the Bible
- Jesus Loves Me
- O Be Careful
- Away in a Manger
- I'm His Little Lamb
- The B-I-B-L-E

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Development

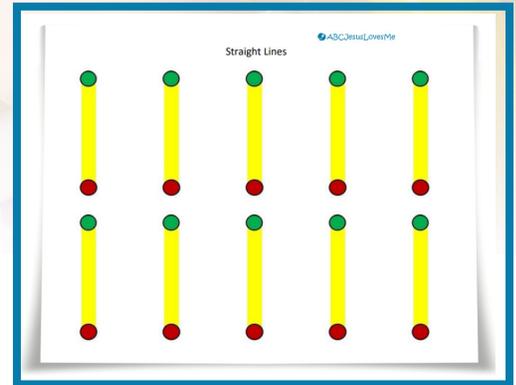
"Play gives children a chance to practice what they are learning."
- Fred Rogers

Handwriting

If the child is ready, Week 20 of the 2 Year Curriculum introduces the pre-writing skills of the ABCJLM Handwriting program. Beginning with simply forming vertical lines, the child is led through an age-appropriate process to prepare for finger-tracing letters and numbers in the 3 Year Curriculum.



2 Year Workbook



Motor Skills

Fine motor skills are activities that improve one's ability to write and manipulate small objects. Gross motor skills involve large muscle movement (e.g. running, jumping, hopping, etc.). These skills are important for pencil control, balance, and coordination. Each Lesson Plan includes an activity to improve the child's fine and gross-motor skills. Please refrain from using markers in activities as they do not strengthen fine and gross motor skills as much as crayons and pencils. Below are sample activities.

Fine Motor



- Paint
- Sort
- Puzzles
- Stack
- Play Dough
- Fingerpaint
- Thread
- Cook
- Scissors Use
- Color

Gross Motor

- Jump
- Run
- Throw
- Hit a Ball
- Roll
- Crawl
- Log Roll
- Catch



Information



Various "information" ideas are focused on throughout the curriculum including:

- First Name
- Last Name
- Middle Name
- Mom's Name
- Dad's Name
- Siblings' Names
- Home Town
- State

Self-Care & Manners

2-year-olds are learning how to care for themselves and others. Below are sample objectives.

- Say "Please"
- Use Fork, Spoon
- Pick Up Toys
- Dress/Undress
- Wash Hands
- Sit Attentively
- Help Clear Table
- Brush Teeth

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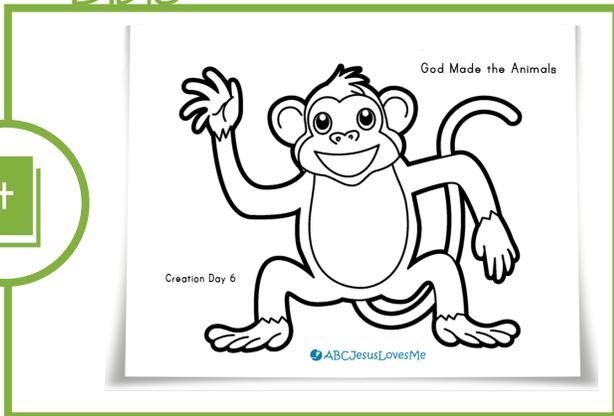
Activity Worksheets

"Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn."
- Benjamin Franklin

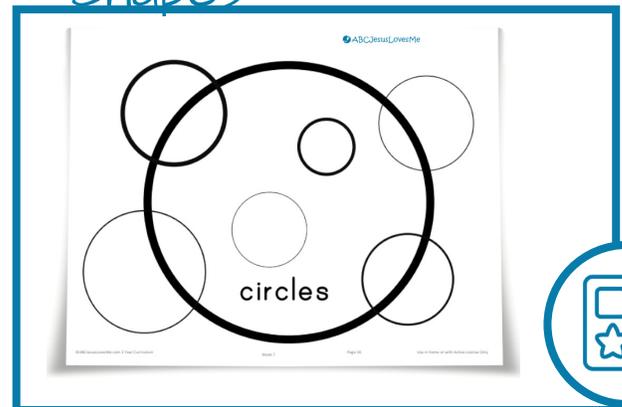
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When used as directed, the 2 Year Workbook will broaden the child's understanding of academic and biblical learning. Using the worksheets will further increase fine motor, core, and visual perception strength, and will expand the child's experience with art. All worksheet activities are to be viewed as process art. This means that the focus of the art is on the learning that occurs during the process of the activity and not the end result. Objective Checklists are provided in the workbook for assessment. Below are sample activity sheets.

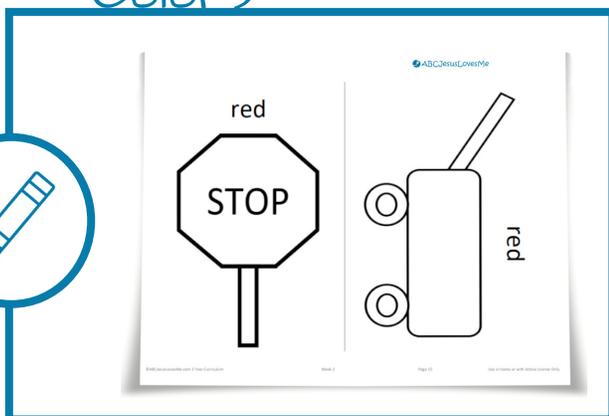
Bible



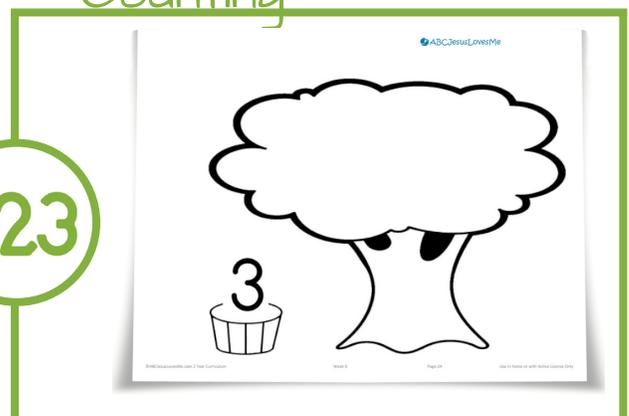
Shapes



Colors



Counting



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FAQ

"Quality questions create a quality life. Successful people ask better questions, and as a result, they get better answers."

-Anthony Robbins

Is the learning the same for each curriculum?

Different learning objectives, Bible stories, and themes are included in each curricula because most preschools and homes use at least 4 of the 5 Curricula. If the themes were the same, the children would only be exposed to 28 themes, five times over. Instead, children are exposed to a broad array of learning based on their age and maturity which allows for growth to occur in their learning and development.



How much time does it take to prepare & teach?

The ABCJesusLovesMe Curriculum was created to require virtually no prep time once a routine is established. Initially I suggest reading over Week 1 multiple times and familiarization yourself with the bundle products. Next, place the basic supplies in a container for weekly use. Each week gather the Book of the Week and remaining supplies. It is my goal that all learning occurs in a way that children only see it as play. Focused, sit-down learning should be kept to a minimum.



What supplies are needed?

While it may feel overwhelming collecting supplies for almost a year's worth of material and books, I believe that you will find most items already in your home or classroom. A complete supply list is available on the website or weekly lists are available in the Lesson Plans. Any Books of the Week that you don't already own can be purchased, borrowed, or reserving from the library.



What if I have questions?

The active ABCJesusLovesMe Facebook group is a wonderful place to gather ideas and ask questions. Heidi is also available through LiveChat on the ABCJesusLovesMe website, by email, or on social media to answer any questions, brainstorm ideas, and help you be successful. Preschools: LiveChat with Heidi to set up a demo and Q/A session.



Can ABCJLM be used in a school or church?

The ABCJesusLovesMe Curricula and products are used in homes, schools, daycares, and churches around the world. Licenses are available for non-family use and active Licenses are required for continued use. See the website for more details.



Helpful Links

"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it." - Proverbs 22:6



Lesson Plan Samples

ABCJesusLovesMe.com/media/documents/2_Year_Sample.pdf

Workbook Samples

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Supply List

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