

Summer Science

Day 2



Bible Point: Shine away!

Bible Verse: "Jesus said, "You can be like light to the rest of the world! Even though you are just one person, what you do and say changes the world around you!" Matthew 5 - SSB, pg 270

Story: The Light of the World, Spark Story Bible pg. 418 (only)

Materials Needed:

- Spark Story Bible, pg 418 (only)
- Poster of Billie Blue Jay
- Photos and stuffed animals of Blue Jays

Set Up:

- Have photos of and Bible story pages handy.
- Set up materials from the <https://unsophisticook.com/wp-json/mv-create/v1/creations/6/print>
- Paper plates and markers

What to do:

Welcome: Welcome the group to Summer (School) Science, just kidding. Today we will learn about Billie Bluejay, the Bible story, and a science experiment. Let's get ready to learn!

Bible Buddy (hold up Billie Blue Jay poster)

Say: Billie Blue Jay makes a lot of noise in the backyards and parks. Sometimes they chirp so loud it's like a song that lights up the evening sky. Can you fly like Billie Bluejay? (Hold your arms out and fly like a Blue Jay.)

Play a Billie Blue Jay Game

Say: What do you know about Blue Jays ? Let's play a game or "True or False!" I will read a statement about chipmunks. If you think the statement is true, you go to this side of the room, and if you think the statement is false, you go to the other side of the room. Ready?

T or F: Male and Female Blue Jays look the same. (True)

T or F: Blue Jays love to eat acorns. (True)

T or F: Blue Jays are the state bird of Florida. (False: they are not a state bird)

T or F: Blue Jays like to build their nests in pine trees (True)

T or F: Blue Jays can imitate sounds from a variety of other birds. (True)

T or F: Blue Jays fly faster than ducks. (False: Ducks are faster)

T or F: Blue Jays only come out at night. (False: they are out both night and day)

T or F: Blue Jays have weak beaks. (False: strong beaks and can crack seeds and nuts)

Say: Blue Jays are animated and lively. They shine up the morning and evening sky when they fly and chirp! They might have a rough day, but they encourage each other to shine on. Billie Blue Jay reminds us of the Bible point:

Leader says: What do we say?

Participants say: Shine away!

Bible Story:

Pass out the Bible story page or read the Spark Story Bible “Salt and Light “ found on Pg 268. Read the story together. Kids can do the candle pose each time the word “light” is read. Once done, ask:

Who does Jesus say can be like a light to the rest of the world?

What does it mean to share the light of Christ with others?

Science Experiment:

Say: Today we are going to make dough out of flour and salt! What a great way to connect the Bible story to our hands!

Follow these instructions:

1. Give each child a ziplock bag and have them write their name on it.
2. Use this site: <https://unsophisticook.com/wp-json/mv-create/v1/creations/6/print>
3. Ingredients: 2 cups flour, 1 cup salt, 1 cup water
4. Together add the ingredients and mix together taking turns. After the dough comes together take turns kneading it for about 5 minutes. (add more flour if needed)
5. Divide the dough into enough balls for everyone in your group.
6. Have the students play with their dough. They can shape it into things that remind them of light.
7. Put the dough in the bag with their name on it and remind them to pick it up before they go home.

Pray it out!

Dear God, thank you for your love. Help us to love you, our neighbors, and your creation. Amen.

