

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY RESOURCES

TEN HELPFUL PLACES TO START YOUR SEARCH...

- www.afcanada.com This is the website for Augsburg Fortress Canada, which is affiliated with the Anglican Church of Canada. This site has curriculum for sale, with free samples available so you can preview before purchase. CHECK OUT: 'Splash' curriculum for ages 0-3, 'Spark' curriculum for Kindergarten – Grade 6, and 'Re:form' curriculum for CONFIRMATION (or teen groups).
- www.davidccook.com David C Cook resources are so popular with Anglicans that he has developed an 'Anglican Edition' of his Sunday School curriculum. This site has the curriculum for sale with free samples so that you can preview before you purchase.
- www.ministry-to-children.com This website provides resources that are 100% FREE. It contains lessons, crafts, games, activities for birth to Grade 6, as well as TEACHER TRAINING and TEACHING TIPS.
- www.sundayschoolkids.com This website provides resources that are 100% FREE. It contains lessons and activities for ages 2-13.
- www.sundayschoolresources.com. This website provides resources that are 100% FREE. It contains lessons, games, activities, and TEACHING TIPS for kids of all ages.
- www.Lessons4SundaySchool.com This website provides free resources and membership resources. It contains lessons, games, activities, MINISTRY PLANNING and TEACHING TIPS for ages 0-5.
- www.christianitytoday.com This website has a "Today's Children's Ministry" component that offers free TEACHER TRAINING resources as well as articles on various issues in children's ministry and a monthly newsletter. There is also an online store.
- www.kidssundayschool.com This website offers activities, lessons, skits, crafts, stories, bulletin board graphics and many other resources for an annual membership of \$39.
- www.united-church.ca This is the national website for the United Church of Canada. Its "Faith & Education" section contains resources for children and families.
- www.online.cefcmi.com This is the website for the 'Children's Ministry Institute', which offers free or \$5/person online videos and printed materials for TEACHER TRAINING

HELPFUL HINTS TO FIND THE BEST RESOURCES FOR YOUR MINISTRY...

Search online. Websites have free or inexpensive resources that allow you to customize your resources and print only what you need.

Explore multiple uses. 'Sunday School' resources can be used for other types of children's ministry, such as after school programs, family days and camps.

Be aware of Copyright restrictions. Some print, online and video materials do not permit use in churches without an additional license. Some do not include permission to photocopy.

Shop local. Go to your nearest Christian book store and shop their selection of curriculum and books of stories, games, and activities.

Invest in multimedia. Video and music media are as integral to children's ministry as print and craft material. Diversifying your media enables you to engage the children's interest on multiple levels – they learn better!

Know your budget. It will need to cover supplies and snacks as well as curriculum.

Know your gifts. Are your leaders good at crafts, storytelling, drama, sports? Choose a curriculum that reflects their natural abilities.