

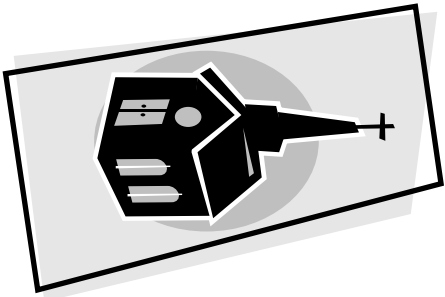
THE VISUAL LEARNER



PRESCHOOLERS AND PICTURES

- Biblical pictures portray Bible stories and scenes on the child's level of understanding.
- Present-day pictures reflect everyday experiences of preschoolers.

All pictures used with preschoolers and kindergartners should be realistic, simple, and colorful.



Where to Find Pictures

magazines
postcards
coupons
photographs
calendars
newspapers
bulk mail
catalogs (school supply, clothing, store, seed)
outdated curriculum materials
(leader guides, leader packs, learner guides)

REMEMBER

the child needs you to

- create an environment that appeals to his visual learning and hands-on work
- listen to him when he is imagining aloud
- let him think about what he is doing or think before he answers a question
- allow him to create/express ideas using a variety of media (art materials, photography, clay, recycled items)
- use pictures and other visual presentations to stimulate his thinking

A visual learner may exhibit a degree of critical thinking. This gift will one day lead him to think about God and the world in which he lives.

*The visual child
may exhibit*

- **an ability to use their imaginations to “see”**
- **good spatial skills**
- **enjoyment through creating art**
- **picture-reading books or using other visual cues to learn**
- **well-developed observation skills**
- **a tendency to think about things before he acts**

THE VISUAL CHILD MAY ENJOY

- *working a colorful puzzle*
- *reaching for colorful objects in view*
- *observing items in detail*
- *drawing a picture of actual objects in view*
- *using a variety of paints or other art media*
- *making a wordless book about himself or a Bible story*
- *creating a role-play scene with friends*
- *describing what they think a Bible person may have seen during events in a Bible story*
- *creating a video of friends in the class*
- *building with blocks, Lincoln Logs® and Legos®*
- *tearing or cutting out pictures for a collage*
- *rearranging furniture in the homeliving center*
- *taking pictures of friends or play scenes*
- *designing a sculpture or three-dimensional display*
- *using biblical pictures to recall Bible stories*
- *using present-day pictures to apply Bible truths*
- *viewing maps, charts, and diagrams of Bible-related places and objects*
- *creating a picture web*

TEACHERS CAN ENCOURAGE LEARNING BY

- **making activities visually appealing**
- **providing variety in art, nature, blocks, homeliving/dramatic play, puzzles**
- **telling stories that appeal to the senses**
- **providing books with large illustration**
- **minimizing visual “clutter”**

