Bible Skills: Finding Proverbs

YOU WILL NEED: Bibles, a Bible Book Chart, two trash bags full of blown-up balloons. Each of these bags should also contain a balloon that has a slip of paper with Proverbs 3:5-6 on it inside the balloon.

Finding Proverbs

Ask the students: Is Proverbs in the Old Testament or the New Testament.

<u>Ask the students</u>: **Who can find the book of Proverbs on the Bible Book Chart?** (Show them what section of the Old Testament it is in and that it follows Psalms.)

<u>Ask the students</u>: So if you were going to find the book of Proverbs in the Bible would you look in the front or the back of the Bible? (The middle—just behind Psalms)

Tell them to get their Bibles.

Game

Have enough balloons to fill two large trash bags. Divide your class into two teams. When you say, "Go", the children will begin examining the balloons in their bag to find the one that has the slip of paper with today's verse on it. When they find the right balloon, pop it and take out the slip of paper with Proverbs 3:5-6 (or any other verse from Proverbs) on it.

Once they find it SAY: On the count of three, touch two walls, grab your Bible, and come back to the circle as fast as you can without pushing, shoving, or picking anybody's nose. 1-2-3 Go!

SAY: Let's see what the Bible says about trusting God. Our verse is Proverbs 3:5-6, but first we need to find it.

<u>Ask the students</u>—**Who knows how to find Psalms in the Bible?** (Answer: Hold your Bible sideways and open it to the middle. Usually this is the book of Psalms.)

SAY: The book of Proverbs comes just after the book of Psalms. So, before we find Proverbs 3:5-6, let's first practice finding a verse out of Psalms.

SAY: Hold your Bibles. (You may need to have extra Bibles ready for those who didn't bring one. Encourage everyone to bring their Bibles next week.) When I say, "Ready," hold your Bible between both hands, but you cannot open it. Then I will say a Bible reference and "Go." If you open your Bible before I say "Go," you will be out. Once you find what I ask for, raise your hand.

Ready...Psalm 56:3—Go!

SAY: This verse also talks about trusting God. Let's read it.

Read Psalm 56:3 from your Bible

SAY: Now let's turn from here over to the book of Proverbs. Find chapter 3 and verses 5-6.

Tell your students to close their Bibles and get ready for another Bible drill to find today's key verse.

Ready...Proverbs 3:5-6—Go!

Read Proverbs 3:5-6 from your Bible