

## LESSON SNAPSHOT

**BOTTOM LINE:**

When I play, I can remember God made me and has given me a part to play.

**OBJECTIVE:**

Kids will identify some “parts” they can play to serve God.

**KEY PASSAGE:**

1 Corinthians 12:12-19, Body of Christ

**MEMORY VERSE:**

*“You are the body of Christ. Each one of you is a part of it.” 1 Corinthians 12:27 (NirV)*

**SUMMARY:**

Mr. Potato Head – Imagine getting a Mr. Potato Head toy, but the only thing he came with was a bunch of feet! You could stick feet where his eyes are supposed to go or where his ears are supposed to go, but that would just get boring after a while. Mr. Potato Head is fun, because he has lots of different options for his eyes, ears, mouth and head. Paul teaches us that everyone in the church is a part of the Body of Christ. Just like our body has a lot of different parts that all work together, the church does too. People are all different, but God wants to use everyone’s unique gifts and abilities.

**SIMPLE PRAYER:**

*Dear God,*

*Thank you for the part you have given each of us to play in your church.*

*In Jesus’ name,  
Amen*

## MEMORY VERSE

*"Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it." 1 Corinthians 12:27 (NIV)*

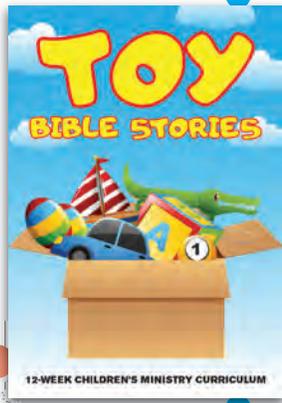
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### **LARGE GROUP:**

Have all the fifth/sixth graders (whatever the oldest age in the room may be) read the verse first. Then add the next grade down and repeat. Add the next grade down, and repeat. Keep repeating until everyone is reading together.

### **SMALL GROUP:**

Have the kids collaborate on a musical version of the Bible verse. Can it be sung to a popular tune, or can you invent your own?



# MAKE IT STICK

5 Simple Ways You Can Make This Lesson Stick With your Kids

## Toy Bible Stories 5

### THIS WEEK'S LESSON: MR POTATO HEAD



#### IN THE CAR:

Ask your child what they learned about this week on the drive home:

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#### HANGING OUT:

Make this week's lesson real:

Does your family work like a body? What role does each person play in the "body" of your home? Does a family function better or worse when everyone does their part?



#### AT DINNER:

Here are some great discussion starters:

- How is the church like a human body?
- What are some parts you've seen in our church body?
- Do you have any idea what part you might play in the church?



#### AT BEDTIME:

Quiz your child on this week's memory verse:

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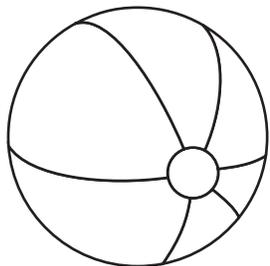
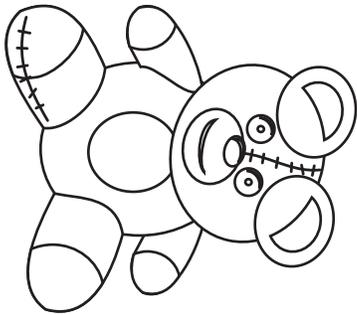
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What you need to know:

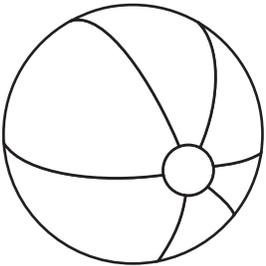
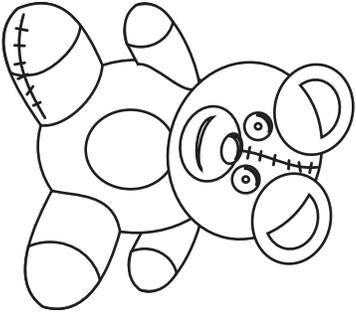
Everyone has unique gifts and talents. God wants us to discover our gifts so we can serve him in his Church. If you are a believer and you're not already serving somewhere, ask God to help you find your place in the body so you can do your part.

## CRAFT ACTIVITY

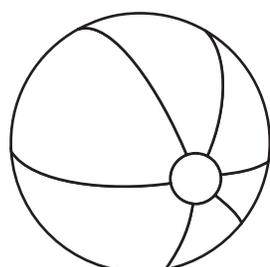
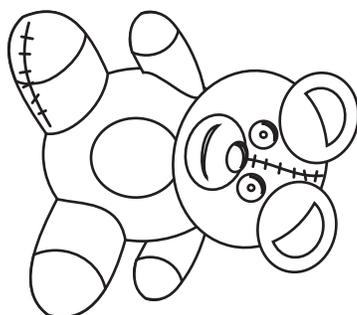
Have the kids cut out a potato shape from brown construction paper. Then using other colored construction paper, have them make all the parts to complete a Mr. Potato Head craft, gluing them onto the potato.



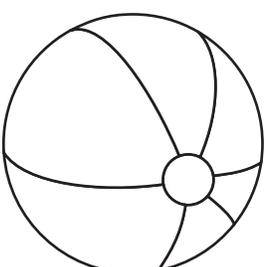
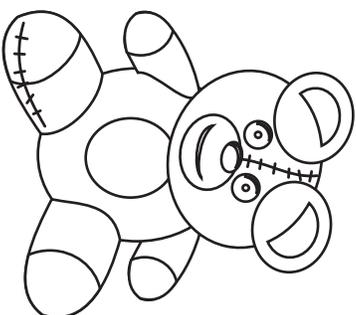
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