

Guidelines for "Quiet Seat" Watcher

Goal: Reward those children who behave "perfectly" during the Bible lesson

Procedure:

1. During worship music obtain "quiet seat" prizes and assigned seats to observe from the floor leader.
2. After worship music ends begin to patrol your area. Keep moving with "quiet seat" prizes visible.
3. Closely observe behavior of all children in your area from all sides.
4. Do not give any prize until after observing for at least 10 minutes. The bible lesson consists of a bible story and several object lessons. It is usually possible to wait until the bible story is finished and still have plenty of time to hand out prizes.
5. Put prize in child's lap.
6. If child misbehaves after receiving prize take it back. If he resumes "perfection" until the end you may return it.
7. Reward all "perfect" children before altar call/invitation, but keep patrolling until dismissal. Do not give out any prize during altar call/invitation.
8. If you missed a "perfect" child give them a prize after the altar call/invitation during the counsel time if they have not responded or at the end of program.
9. If a child falls asleep, let them sleep as long as they are not sprawled across several chairs or on other children. They probably need to sleep. If a child is misbehaving and a distraction just quietly pull them out of the aisle and take them back to sit with another adult worker. If a very small child, 3-4 years of age just cannot sit still pull them out and take them to the back to sit with someone where their movement will not be as distracting.
10. Don't let anyone go to the bathroom during the Bible lesson. Most can wait and most know the rule already, because the rule should be re-stated every week before the Bible lesson.
11. NO eating during the program or on the bus (unless special permission was given).
12. Give leftover prizes to the floor leader.
13. Be led by the Holy Spirit. You are laying up treasures in heaven.

Definition of "perfect":

Sitting straight and tall with back against the chair, feet on floor (if they can reach) quiet and still, hands in lap, mouth closed, eyes straight head on the stage or the person teaching, NOT on the quiet seat watcher. If a child makes eye contact with you he loses the chance to get a quiet seat prize. No talking, touching, bumping, moving chair or body, etc.