Sample Quiz Demo

The quiz demo is the traditional way to introduce Bible Quizzing to an unfamiliar audience. We are continuing this tradition, but with a new twist. In our experience, the best way to present quizzing to a group of prospective youths is to let them try it themselves. We sometimes do take experienced quizzers to the demo. They come along, however, not to quiz but to help others learn to quiz. In a sense, the roles are reversed.

Role reversal demos have enabled us to show youths how much they themselves will enjoy quizzing. Instead of being impressed by the knowledge of experienced quizzers, they are delighted to discover their own abilities. The following is the outline for the demos we have been running.

Questions

The key to role reversal demos is to prepare questions to which participants with no preparation will know the answers. Write these questions on cards beforehand. Five categories of knowledge which have been especially effective are Christmas songs, commercials, sports, nursery rhymes, and Bible questions. The following are examples of some of the questions we have used from Christmas songs:

Christmas Songs

Away in a manger, no crib for what? A bed

We wish you a merry Christmas and what? A happy new year

Hark the herald angels sing, glory to whom? the Newborn King

Silent night, holy night, all is what? Calm

O little town of what? Bethlehem

Who lay down his sweet head? The little Lord Jesus

Bearing what we travel afar? gifts

Sports

How many innings in a baseball game? 9

How many periods in a hockey game? 3

Which baseball team plays in Cleveland? Indians

How many quarters in a football game? 4

Quotations

A penny saved is what? A penny earned

Early to bed, early to rise, makes a man what? Healthy, wealthy, and wise

A stitch in time saves how many? Nine

To be or not what? To be

Give me liberty, or give me what? Death

What keeps the doctor away? An apple a day

Basic Bible Questions

For God so loved the world that he gave whom? His one and only son

You are the salt of what? The earth

Who built the ark? Noak

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be what? Your name

Which disciple betrayed Jesus? Judas

Where was Jesus born? In Bethlehem

Before the rooster crows you will disown me how many times? Three

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit what? The earth

Knock, and what will be opened to you? The door

A wise man built his house on what? The rock

Could you answer these questions? As you prepare your questions, remember that they must be easy to answer. Any Bible or other questions you use in a demo should be simple so that anyone can answer them. The challenge in a demo is learning the quizzing, so keep the questions short and elementary.