



# *Missouri Leader & Judges' Guide*

**Missouri Baptist Bible Drill**

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# General Information

## PURPOSE OF CHILDREN'S BIBLE DRILL IS FOR CHILDREN TO:

1. Increase in knowledge of the Bible.
2. Develop skills in locating Bible books and key passages.
3. Memorize the names of the books of the Bible in order and the Bible verses and key passages identified on the current cycle Verse Study Card.
4. Learn how to apply the Bible to their lives.

## WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

Children who are fourth, fifth, and sixth graders are eligible to participate. Children who are home-schooled may use their "Sunday School" class grade or they should be approximately 10-12 years old. A method of participation can be worked out for handicapped children to fit their individual needs.

## WHAT IS LEARNED?

Each child who participates in Children's Bible Drill will:

- Learn the names of the 66 books of the Bible in their proper order and be able to locate each within 10 seconds.
- Memorize the 25 verses and their references printed on the current cycle Verse Study Card.
- Learn the names, references, and locations in the Bible of the 10 Key Passages printed on the current cycle Verse Study Card.
- If a child participates in Children's Bible Drill for 3 years, he or she will learn 75 Bible verses, 30 Key Passages, and the names and sequence of the 66 books of the Bible.

## WHAT CYCLE DO WE USE?

Children's Bible Drill is made up of three cycles. The cycles rotate over a three-year period. The chart below indicates which cycle will be used for Church, Association and State drills in the SPRING of that year.

**Red Cycle** (2024, 2027, 2030, etc.)

**Blue Cycle** (2025, 2028, 2031, etc.)

**Green Cycle** (2026, 2029, 2032, etc.)

## LOGOS TO USE FOR PROMOTION



# Bible Drill Cycles

<b>Red Cycle</b>	<b>Blue Cycle</b>	<b>Green Cycle</b>
<p><b><u>Verses</u></b>                      Genesis 1:27                      Leviticus 22:31                      Deuteronomy 6:5                      1 Chronicles 16:8                      Job 37:14                      Psalm 19:14                      Psalm 54:2                      Psalm 145:9                      Proverbs 8:33                      Proverbs 20:11                      Micah 6:8                      Matthew 5:44                      Matthew 21:22                      Mark 13:31                      Luke 6:31                      John 8:32                      John 15:13                      Acts 1:8                      Romans 14:12                      1 Corinthians 10:31                      1 Corinthians 14:40                      Ephesians 6:1                      Philippians 4:13                      James 1:19                      1 John 4:19</p> <p><b><u>Key Passages</u></b>                      The Creation:                          Genesis 1- 2:3                      The Israelites Leave Egypt:                          Exodus 12:37-42                      A Prayer for Forgiveness:                          Psalm 51                      The Baptism of Jesus:                          Matthew 3:13-17                      The Model Prayer:                          Matthew 6:5-15                      The Great Commandments:                          Mark 12:28-34                      The Birth of Jesus:                          Luke 2:1-7                      The Parable of the Prodigal Son:                          Luke 15:11-32                      The Comfort Chapter:                          John 14                      The Christian Armor:                          Ephesians 6:10-20</p>	<p><b><u>Verses</u></b>                      Genesis 1:31                      Deuteronomy 16:17                      Joshua 24:24                      1 Chronicles 16:9                      Psalm 56:3                      Psalm 119:11                      Proverbs 22:1                      Isaiah 6:8                      Isaiah 45:5                      Malachi 3:10                      Matthew 28:19-20                      Luke 2:52                      Luke 19:10                      John 4:24                      John 13:35                      Acts 4:12                      Romans 10:9                      1 Corinthians 3:16                      Ephesians 2:8                      1 Thessalonians 5:18                      1 Timothy 4:12                      2 Timothy 2:15                      James 1:22                      1 Peter 4:9                      1 John 4:21</p> <p><b><u>Key Passages</u></b>                      God's Covenant with Abraham:                          Genesis 12:1-3                      A Shepherd's Song:                          Psalm 23                      The Suffering Servant:                          Isaiah 53                      The Twelve Apostles:                          Matthew 10:2-4                      The Resurrection of Jesus:                          Matthew 28                      The Parable of the Good Samaritan:                          Luke 10:25-37                      Jesus' First Miracle:                          John 2:1-11                      The Work of the Holy Spirit:                          John 16:5-15                      The Conversion of Saul:                          Acts 9:1-30                      The Love Chapter:                          1 Corinthians 13</p>	<p><b><u>Verses</u></b>                      Genesis 1:1                      Exodus 20:12                      Psalm 118:24                      Psalm 119:105                      Proverbs 3:5-6                      Proverbs 15:1                      Isaiah 9:6                      Isaiah 40:8                      Nahum 1:7                      Matthew 4:10                      Matthew 5:16                      Luke 6:37                      Luke 11:9                      John 3:16                      John 15:12                      Acts 16:31                      Romans 8:28                      Romans 12:1                      1 Corinthians 4:2                      Ephesians 4:32                      Colossians 3:23                      2 Timothy 1:7                      2 Timothy 3:16                      1 John 1:9                      Revelation 4:11</p> <p><b><u>Key Passages</u></b>                      The Ten Commandments:                          Exodus 20:3-17                      A Psalm of Praise:                          Psalm 100                      The Greatness of God:                          Isaiah 40                      The Temptation of Jesus:                          Matthew 4:1-11                      The Sermon on the Mount:                          Matthew 5-7                      The Parable of the Sower:                          Mark 4:1-20                      The First Lord's Supper:                          Luke 22:15-20                      Jesus and Nicodemus:                          John 3:1-21                      The Crucifixion:                          John 19                      The Faith Chapter:                          Hebrews 11</p>

# How to Begin Children's Bible Drill in Your Church

Realize that although every child needs to develop Bible skills, not every child will want to participate in Children's Bible Drill. For those who do, Children's Bible Drill is an excellent program for giving children even more practice in using their Bibles.

1. Read the information in this guide thoroughly. Our webpage [www.mobaptist.org/cbd](http://www.mobaptist.org/cbd) has information about Children's Bible Drill including: the date & location for State Drills; the Church Report Form; the State Drill Registration Form; this guide; and an online request form for Drill Packets (drill packet includes: seals, certificates, and drills only).
2. Set the date for your church drill, approximately two weeks before the associational drill. Contact your Association Office or Director of Missions for date of the associational drill.
3. Order curriculum resources listed on page 24 from LifeWay. Other supplies that you will need include masking tape, markers, and pencils.
4. Determine a schedule for your meetings. Some churches begin with the new church year in September. Others begin three to six months before the church drill. Churches that allow more time are able to use more of the games and fun activities in *Bible Skills, Drill & Thrills* to help children learn.
5. Decide when and where you will meet. Reserve these times and places on the church calendar. Possible times to meet include the hour before children's discipleship, during children's discipleship, after school, Saturday morning, or Wednesday night. Choose a time that will allow the most children to participate. Include any special meetings such as a kick-off, parent orientation, or parties. The best place to hold Children's Bible Drill is in a children's room although an adult room will work. You will need a cabinet to store Bibles, workbooks, games, masking tape, and other supplies.
6. Advertise when Children's Bible Drill will begin. Along with articles in your church newsletter, letters to the parents of fourth, fifth, and sixth graders, and announcements in the children's Sunday School classes, you might lead some children from last year's drill in an exhibition drill during worship. A sample letter to parents on page 22.
7. Hold an orientation meeting for drillers and their parents. Here are some suggestions for the meeting:
  - a) Explain the purpose of Children's Bible Drill as listed on page 4.
  - b) Explain the four kinds of calls as listed on page 9 – Book, Key Passage, Quotation, and Completion.
  - c) Give children a *Verse Study Card* for the current drill cycle in the translation your church will be using.
  - d) Distribute copies of the schedule for your drill team meetings.
  - e) Discuss how important the role is that parents play. Children will need parents to help them learn the Bible verses, key passages, and the books of the Bible.
  - f) If children are to use activity books at home, look at it with the parents and explain the procedures.
  - g) Some churches may ask parents to contribute to the purchase of Bibles, activity books, music and game CD, and special T-shirts. Discuss these costs at this meeting. If overnight travel is involved in attending the state drill, talk about these plans.

8. (Optional) Hold a special kick-off. The kick-off could be as simple as an all-day party at the church or as elaborate as a lock-in. Use this time to help boys and girls get a jump-start on learning the Bible verses and the books of the Bible. Make the time fun with refreshments and games to help them learn.
9. Meet weekly for at least an hour to help children learn the material and to practice drilling. The *Bible Skills, Drills, & Thrills Leader Guide* provides instructions and activities for each meeting. Set goals for learning parts of the material. Use the Skills Progress Chart on pages 20-21 to keep track of progress.
10. Write out your practice drills using the scripture version your children have been learning. See pages 18-19 for instructions in writing drills. Do short practice drills early with what they know to help children develop good drilling habits (eye contact, standing at attention, use of Bible, etc.)
11. (Optional) Plan a midway party. The party should include some time practicing the material along with other fun activities such as playing miniature golf, going to the park, playing games in the gym, or eating pizza. Might include a demonstration drill for parents, if one was not already done during an orientation meeting.
12. Two months before the church drill, enlist a judging team: 1 caller (can be you), 3 judges, and 1 time keeper. Train them in how a drill is conducted and scored using the information on pages 12-15. It is best not to use parents of drillers for the judging team.
13. Hold the church drill. Send the names of qualified children to your association. (*Children who scored 12 or more correct responses may advance to association drills.*) All children who participated in the church drill should receive a certificate and a church seal.
14. Attend the association drill. (*Children who scored 16 or more correct responses may advance to state drills.*) All children who participated in the associational drill should receive an associational seal. Distribute copies of the letter on page 23 to parents of state drillers.
15. Attend the state drill. Children will receive state drill seals based on the number of correct responses. Third year state drill participants will receive a special certificate.
  - State Participant Seal .....19 or less correct responses
  - State Winner Seal.....20-23 correct responses
  - State Winner Superior Seal.....24 correct responses
  - 3-Year State Participant Certificate .....3<sup>rd</sup> year participating in state drills
  - 3-Year State Winner Superior Certificate.....24 correct responses all 3-years in state drills
16. Recognize children in your church newsletter or bulletin.
17. (Optional) Conduct a **Demonstration Drill**. Participation in a demonstration drill is considered a practice drill for which a child receives a seal. All children who participated in a demonstration drill should receive a demonstration seal. Consider one of the following reasons to conduct a demonstration drill:
  - a) As part of the orientation meeting
  - b) As part of the kick-off event
  - c) As a promotion tool for potential driller
  - d) As an enlistment tool for new leader
  - e) As a training tool for another church
  - f) As a training tool for your association

# Bible Drill Commands

## ATTENTION

Stand straight; one foot not extended in front of the other; eyes focused on the caller until the command “Start” is given; Bible held at side (in either hand) with the Bible’s spine down. (Holding the Bible is *optional* during the Quotation and Completion calls.)

## PRESENT BIBLES

This command is used only in the Books Calls and Key Passage Calls. Bring Bible to waistline parallel with the floor; one hand flat on the top and one hand flat on the bottom with no fingers extending over the edges. Following the “Present Bibles” command, the caller announces the call.

It is recommended that a child who searches with his or her right hand hold the Bible in the left hand with Genesis down and with the right hand resting flat on the back of the Bible and with not fingers extending over the edges.

A child who searches with his or her left hand may hold the Bible in the right hand, Genesis up, with the left hand resting flat on the front of the Bible and no fingers extending over the edges.

## START

This command is the signal for children to step forward or begin searching in their Bibles. For the Book Call and Key Passage Call, the child will begin searching in the Bible when this command is given. It is a mistake to begin searching before this command is given. In the Book Call, the index finger must be placed upon any part of the book. In the Key Passage Call, the child finds any part of the reference, places his or her index finger on any portion, and steps forward. For the Quotation Call and Completion Call, the child may step forward after the command “Start” is given, if he or she knows the correct response.

## TIME

The timekeeper calls out “Time” at the end of 10 seconds. No one may step forward after this command, and all children should stop searching in their Bibles. The caller calls on one child by number who will give a response. The other children will remain quiet with their eyes on the caller while the one called upon responds.

If the child called on does not give the right response, the caller should give the child only (1) second chance to give a correct response before calling on another child to give the correct response. Do not call on a third child, just read the correct response and proceed to the next call.

## ATTENTION

Close the Bible, return it to its original position, and take one step back.

# Four Kinds of Calls

## **BOOK CALLS** – 6 calls (Bible is used.)

- The caller says the name of any book of the Bible.
- After “Start” is called, the child finds any page in the book called, places his or her finger on the page, and steps forward.
- If called on, the child gives the name of the book preceding the book called, the name of the book called, and the name of the book following the one called.
- After a correct response, the caller says, “Attention.”
- After an incorrect response, the caller should give the child only one second chance to give a correct response before asking another child to give the correct response.

## **KEY PASSAGE CALLS** – 6 calls (Bible is used.)

- Only the Key Passages listed on the current cycle *Verse Study Card* are used.
- The caller states the title of the Key Passage.
- After “Start” is called, the child finds the passage in his or her Drill Bible, places a finger on any portion of the passage, and steps forward.
- If called on, the child states the title of the Key Passage and the reference.
- After a correct response, the caller asks the child to read one verse from the passage. Then the caller says, “Attention.”
- After an incorrect response, the caller should give the child only one second chance to give a correct response before asking another child to give the correct response.

## **QUOTATION CALLS** – 6 calls (Quoted from memory.)

- All verses are taken from the current cycle *Verse Study Card*.
- The caller gives the reference for a verse.
- If the child knows the verse, he or she steps forward one step after “Start” is called, prepared to quote the verse and give the reference as it is stated on the *Verse Study Card*.  
NOTE: The child can state the reference before and/or after quoting the verse.
- After a correct response, the leader says, “Attention.”
- After an incorrect response, the caller should give the child only one second chance to give a correct response before asking another child to give the correct response.

## **COMPLETION CALLS** – 6 calls (Quoted from memory.)

- All verses are taken from the current cycle *Verse Study Card*.
- The caller reads the underlined portion of a verse as listed on the *Verse Study Card*.
- If the child knows the verse, he or she steps forward one step after “Start” is called, prepared to quote the verse and give the reference as it is stated on the *Verse Study Card*.  
NOTE: The child can state the reference before and/or after quoting the verse.
- After a correct response, the leader says, “Attention.”
- After an incorrect response, the caller should give the child only one second chance to give a correct response before asking another child to give the correct response.

NOTE: Caller should direct children whether or not to hold their Bibles during the Quotation and Completion calls. When possible it is nice to let children place Bibles on the floor behind them so they can relax a moment and wipe perspiration from their hands.

A demonstration video of a drill is included on the CD-ROM in the *Bible Skills, Drills, and Thrills Leader's Guide, Grades 4-6*.



# Levels of Participation

## CHURCH DRILL

Schedule a church drill one or two weeks before the associational drill. A church drill should be conducted at the church before an audience of interested persons.

Children who participate in a church drill and give 12 or more correct responses are eligible to participate in an associational drill.

The person in charge of the church drill should notify the associational office of the names of the children who qualify for the associational drill, using the *Church Drill Report Form*.

Every child who participates in a church drill should receive a certificate and church seal in recognition of their participation, regardless of their score.

## ASSOCIATIONAL DRILL

The associational drill is held at a time and place designated by the Associational Office or Director of Missions. The leader of this drill may be the associational discipleship training children's leader.

Children who give 16 or more correct responses may advance to the state drill.

The associational drill leader should complete the *State Drill Registration Form* and send it to the State Convention Office as directed on the form.

Every child in an associational drill should receive an associational seal in recognition of their participation, regardless of their score.

## STATE DRILL

The state drill is held at a time and place designated by the State Childhood Ministry Office.

Each child who participates in the state drill will receive a state drill seal based upon the number of correct responses.

- State Participant .....19 or less correct responses
- State Winner.....20-23 correct responses
- State Winner Superior.....24 correct responses

Third year state drill participants will receive a special certificate.

- 3-Year State Participant .....3rd year participating in state drills
- 3-Year State Winner Superior.....24 correct responses all 3-years in state drills

# State Drill Guidelines

*The following guidelines will be used at State Bible Drills.*

## Drill Room

1. No video taping, photography, or any other electronic equipment is allowed during the drills. They may only be used when the drill is completed and only of your church drill team.
2. Remain as quiet as possible when the drills begin. Do not mouth answers, use body language, sudden intakes of breath, stomp feet, etc. It is distracting for everyone involved in the drill, including callers, judges, drill members and audience members.
3. If a disturbance occurs in the room the person(s) responsible is to leave the room immediately. Example: crying or noisy child, persistent cough, etc. You will not be able to reenter the room once you leave.
4. Turn off all pagers, phones, and alarms on watches before the drills begin.
5. Both drill members and audience members are to place all items under their chairs (extra Bibles, verse study cards, pencils, papers, stop watches, etc.).

## Drillers

1. Keep your eyes on the caller until the command “start” is given.
2. You must have your index finger on the Bible before you step forward.
3. Place your hands at your side when the command “attention” is given.
4. Once you step out – don’t go back. If you have made a mistake, raise your hand.
5. If not called on, hold your position until called on or released by the “attention” command.
6. If you have started out when “time” is called, come on out.
7. Do not step out if you do not know the answer.
8. Treat your Bible with respect.
9. If you feel like you can’t continue the drill, quietly ask the caller for permission to leave. You will have an opportunity to drill at a later time if there is an open stop available.
10. If all children have stepped out before “time” is called, the caller will proceed with the drill rather than waiting for “time” to be called.

# How to Conduct a Drill

## BEFORE THE DRILL

- Read and become familiar with the Church Drill provided by the State Discipleship Ministry Office.
- Put a strip of masking tape or painter's tape on the floor. The children should stand behind this line.
- Judges should meet to read aloud and discuss the five mistakes that will be recorded. Give judges their score sheets and pencils.
- Judges should sit in front of the drillers, facing the drillers.
- Time Keeper should practice using the stop watch.
- Make a set of tags numbered 1 through 12. Put a tag number on each child's shirt or blouse. Line the children up in sequential order, facing the audience. (Judges record children's responses on the score sheet under the corresponding number.)

## DURING THE DRILL

- Caller should give the audience instructions on expectations for their conduct during the drill (see State Drill Guidelines – Drill Room, page 11). Explain that the children are not in competition with each other. They are here to display what they have learned.
- Caller should give instructions/reminders to the children on proper responses to drill commands (see State Drill Guidelines – Drillers, page 11).
- Caller should offer a prayer for divine guidance of all those who will be participating.
- Caller should always be on the child's side, but not at the expense of other children. Be sensitive to the children.
- Caller should remember that you are in charge during the drill. Remind judges to talk directly to you and not to the children.
- Caller should go slowly enough for the judges to record the scores.
- Caller should call on every child as evenly as possible during the drill. Do not always call on the child who is first to step out.
- Caller, if all children have stepped out before time is called, proceed with the drill rather than waiting for time to be called.
- Caller, if a child gives an incorrect answer, you may give one second chance for the child to give a correct response before calling on another child. Do not call on a third child, just read the correct response and proceed with the next call.
- Caller should use the Warm-Up Drill to acquaint the children with their voice and manner. Give children the opportunity to ask questions about the procedure of the drill. Give judges the opportunity to tell you about anything that needs to be corrected.
- Caller should conduct the drill using the church level (associational level) drill provided by the State Discipleship Ministry Office.
- Time Keeper should use a stop watch or watch with a second hand to keep time for the caller and judges during the drill. Ten seconds for each call. If all children have stepped out before time is called, the caller should proceed with the drill rather than waiting for time to be called. When this occurs you will not need to say time.
- Time Keeper should maintain a calm, pleasant voice.
- Time Keeper should watch the clock, not the children.
- All judges should watch all the children. There should be a minimum of three judges.

## AFTER THE DRILL

- In a church drill child who gives 12 or more correct responses can advance to the associational drill. In an associational drill, having 16 or more correct responses qualifies a child to participate in the state drill.
- Following a drill, the three judges go immediately to a private room. Each judge will add the mistakes made by each child.
- One of the three judges should serve as chairperson. This judge checks the math of the other judges. He or she then adds the three scores for each child and divides the sum by three to get the average number of errors. Then the chairperson subtracts the errors from 24 to get the child's final score of correct responses. (Example:  $4+4+4=12 \div 3=4$ .  $24-4=20$ . The child's final score is 20.)
- Judges should resolve all questions and come to final decisions before they leave the judges room. The decisions of the judges should be final. Judges should not discuss or review the scores after leaving the room.
- Judges should not have scores announced to the audience. All children should receive a certificate and seal no matter what their score.
- Caller should let children know if they will advance to the next level in private following the presentation of seals and certificates.
- Following the church drill, encouragement should be given to children who qualify for the associational drill to continue their training in preparation for the drill. Announce the date, time and location of the associational drill.
  - Church Drill Leader** – Complete the *Church Drill Report Form* and mail it to the associational office.
- Following the associational drill, encourage those who qualify for the state drill to continue training before the state drill. Announce the date, time and location of the state drill.
  - Associational Drill Leader** – Complete the *State Drill Registration Form* and mail it to the State Convention Office as directed on the form.

Date to begin Bible Drill promotion \_\_\_\_\_

Date to begin Bible Drill practice at church \_\_\_\_\_


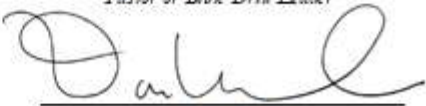
Date for Church Drill \_\_\_\_\_

Date for Associational Drill \_\_\_\_\_

Date for State Drill \_\_\_\_\_

NOTES:

## Seal Placement on Certificates

	<i>Missouri Baptist Bible Drill</i>
	
	<i>Certificate of Merit</i>
	<i>Awarded to</i>
	_____
	<i>Name</i>
	_____
	<i>Church</i>
	_____
	<i>Association</i>
<i>for participation in</i>	
<i>Children's Bible Drill</i>	
_____	
<i>Year</i>	
_____	
<i>Pastor or Bible Drill Leader</i>	
	
<i>State Drill Coordinator</i>	
<b>MBBD</b>	

## How Drills are Judged and Scored

- Judging is based on the verses and key passages printed on the current cycle *Verse Study Card* and the books of the Bible.
- Judges may find it helpful to slide a piece of paper down the page so they do not lose their place on the score sheets. The line across the top of the score sheet represents the order (left to right) in which the drillers stand. Numbers top to bottom represent the calls to be given.
- Judges should give the benefit of doubt to the drillers, but should not lose credibility. The rules are the standards.
- Mistakes are marked on the score sheet according to the number of the mistake made as listed below. When a participant makes a mistake, write the number of the mistake in the correct box on the score sheet. Do not use check marks. [Example, on call #3, participant #2, fails to step out before time is called. This is mistake number 1. Write “1” under participant #2 on call #3.]
- Only one mistake may be scored for a child on any single call. However, if two mistakes are observed, record the numbers for both mistakes. [Example, on call #9, participant #5 steps forward before the index finger is on the correct response and raises his or her hand. These are mistake numbers 4 and 2. Write “4, 2” under participant #5 on call #9. These will count as only one mistake for this call.]
- If a participant steps out the instant time is called, give him the benefit of the doubt and assume he has stepped out in time.
- While mistakes are scored, only the numbers of correct responses are reported to each child.

### MISTAKES ARE:

1. Child fails to step out within 10 seconds.
2. Child gives incorrect response. This includes any child who raises his or her hand, indicating an error.
3. Child fails to stand straight or keep eyes on the drill caller until the command “Start” is given.
4. When the Bible is used, child steps forward before the index finger is on the correct response.
5. Child fails to handle the Bible according to instructions or obviously misuses the Bible. The Bible should be parallel to the floor with one hand flat on the top and one hand flat on the bottom with no fingers extending over the edges.

## Score Sheet

CALLS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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18												
19												
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21												
22												
23												
24												
Total Mistakes												

*Only one mistake may be scored for a child on any single call.*

[Example, on call #9, participant #5 steps forward before the index finger is on the correct response and raises his or her hand. These are mistake numbers 4 and 2. Write “4, 2” under participant #5 on call #9. These will count as only 1 mistake for this call.]

# Tally Sheet

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Enter the total number of mistakes that each judge recorded on their score sheet. Add the three scores together and divide the sum by three to get the average number of errors.

	<b>Participants by Number</b>											
<b>Judge Names:</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
#1												
#2												
#3												
<b>Total Judges Scores</b>												

*If less than .5 round down; if .5 or greater round up.*

<b>Highest Possible Score</b>	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24
<b>Subtract Average Number of Errors</b>												
<b>FINAL SCORE</b>												

**NOTE:** Judges should resolve all questions before they leave the Judges Room. Judges should not discuss the scores unless needed. The decision of the judges should be final. Questions about the scoring should be addressed to the caller.

## CHURCH DRILL

- Every child who participates in a church drill should receive a certificate and church seal in recognition of their participation, regardless of their score. Participants with 12 or more correct responses may advance to the Associational Drill.
- Participants with 12 or more correct responses may advance to the Associational Drill.

## ASSOCIATIONAL DRILL

- Every child who participates in an associational should receive an associational seal in recognition of their participation, regardless of their score.
- Participants with 16 or more correct responses may advance to the State Drill.

## STATE DRILL

- Participants with 19 or less correct responses will receive a State Participant seal.
- Participants with 20-23 correct responses will receive a State Winner seal.
- Participants with 24 correct responses will receive a State Winner Superior seal.



# How to Write a Practice Drill

Each drill should be written out completely for or by the caller. The four kinds of Calls (Book, Key Passage, Quotation, and Completion) have six calls each. Complete one kind of call before proceeding to another.

Below is the format to follow in writing each of the four parts of a drill. Every word to be spoken by the drill caller and all the correct answers should be written, including some reminders as shown in parentheses below. Write for only the Bible version your children are using to drill.

## Attention.

**We will now have the *Book Call*. I will give the name of a book in the Bible, and you will find the book. Place your index finger on any verse in the book named, then step forward. When called upon, please say the book before the one named, the book named, and the book that follows.**

## Present Bibles.

**Exodus** (Pause briefly [3 seconds] to give time for the children to think.)

## Start.

(Call on a child after “Time” [10 seconds] has been called.)

**Number \_\_\_\_\_.**

Answer: Genesis – Exodus – Leviticus

## Attention.

**We will now have the *Key Passage Call*. I will give the title of a Key Passage. You will find the passage, place your index finger on any verse in the passage, and step forward. When called upon, please say the title of the Key Passage and the reference. Then I will ask you to read a verse within that passage.**

## Present Bibles.

**The Ten Commandments** (Pause)

## Start.

(Call on a child after “Time” [10 seconds] has been called.)

**Number \_\_\_\_\_.**

Answer: “The Ten Commandments” Exodus 20:3-17

**Thank you, number \_\_\_\_\_. Please read verse 3.** (KJV may need to turn the page. HCSB no page turn needed.)

Response: “Thou shalt have no other gods before me.” Exodus 20:3 (KJV)

Response: “Do not have other gods besides Me.” Exodus 20:3 (HCSB)

**Attention.**

**We will now have the *Quotation Call*. I will give a reference of a verse. If you know the verse and where it is found, step forward. When called upon, please quote the verse and give the reference.**

**Genesis 1:1** (Pause)

**Start.**

(Call on a child after “Time” [10 seconds] has been called.)

**Number \_\_\_\_\_.**

Answer: “In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.” Genesis 1:1 (KJV)

Answer: “In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.” Genesis 1:1 (HCSB)

**Attention.**

**We will now have the *Completion Call*. I will give you part of a verse of Scripture. If you know the verse and where it is found, step forward. When called upon, please quote the verse and give the reference.**

**Honor your father** (Pause)

**Start.**

(Call on a child after “Time” [10 seconds] has been called.)

**Number \_\_\_\_\_.**

Answer: “Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.” Exodus 20:12 (KJV)

Answer: “Honor your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.” Exodus 20:12 (HCSB)

**Attention.**

**You may relax while the judges total the scores.**

## Skills Progress Chart

Give each child a number. Check off as each child learns and says the verses, Key Passages, and books of the Bible. (Q = Quotation, C = Completion, KP = Key Passage, OT = Old Testament, NT = New Testament)

<b>CALLS</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
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# Sample Letter to Parents

Dear Parents:

We are pleased that your fourth, fifth, or sixth grader is interested in participating in Children's Bible Drill. Your child will develop skills in the use of the Bible, increase his knowledge of the Bible, and learn how to apply the Bible to his life. He will learn 25 Bible verses, learn and be able to locate 10 key passages of scripture, and learn the order of and be able to locate books of the Bible.

Your child will be given a Verse Study Card, a Drill Bible, and an activity book to be used with a parent at home. Use these resources to help your child be successful in what he is learning.

The four drills that are part of Children's Bible Drill are as follows:

**Book Calls** – The leader names any book of the Bible. The child is to find the book called, place his finger on the page, and step forward within 10 seconds. If called on, the child will name the book preceding the book called, the name of the book called, and the name of the book following the book called.

**Key Passage Calls** – A title of one of the 10 key passages listed on the back of the *Verse Study Card* will be called. The child finds the passage in his Bible, places his finger on the page, and steps forward. If called on, he must state the title of the key passage and the scripture reference. Then he will be asked to read one verse from the passage.

**Quotation Calls** – The leader names one of the references from the *Verse Study Card*. If the child knows the verse from memory, he steps forward prepared to quote the verse as it is stated on the *Verse Study Card* and to give the reference.

**Completion Calls** – The leader reads the underlined portion of a verse from the *Verse Study Card*. If the child knows the verse from memory, he steps forward prepared to quote the verse as it is stated on the *Verse Study Card* and to give the reference.

There are three levels of drills: a church drill, an associational drill, and a state drill. The following information gives the dates for these drills:

Children's Bible Drill Meeting Time \_\_\_\_\_

Church Drill \_\_\_\_\_

Associational Drill \_\_\_\_\_

State Drill \_\_\_\_\_

We look forward to working with you and your child this year in Children's Bible Drill. It can be a great experience for your family as you work together.

Sincerely,

Bible Drill Leaders

# Sample Letter to Parents of State Drillers

Dear Parents:

We are pleased to announce that your child is qualified to participate in the State Children's Bible Drill to be held at \_\_\_\_\_ (church name) on \_\_\_\_\_ (date).

We are planning to leave our church at \_\_\_\_\_ (time) so we can arrive 20 minutes before our scheduled drill time at \_\_\_\_\_ (time). Family and friends are encouraged to attend in support of the children.

Please abide by the following State Drill Room Guidelines in the best interest of all children participating.

1. No video taping, photography, or any other electronic equipment is allowed during the drills. Pictures may only be taken when the drill is completed and only of your church drill team.
2. Remain as quiet as possible when the drills begin. Do not mouth answers, use body language, sudden intakes of breath, stomp feet, etc. It is distracting for everyone involved in the drill, including callers, judges, drill members and audience members.
3. If a disturbance occurs in the room the person(s) responsible is to leave the room immediately. Example: crying or noisy child, persistent cough, etc. You will not be able to reenter the room once you leave.
4. Turn off all pagers, phones, and alarms on watches before the drills begin.
5. Drill members and audience members are to place all items under their chairs (extra Bibles, leaflets, verse study cards, pencils, papers, stop watches, etc.)

Each child who participates in the state drill will receive a state drill seal based upon the number of correct responses.

- State Participant (19 or less correct responses)
- State Winner (20-23 correct responses)
- State Winner Superior (24 correct responses)

Third year state drill participants will receive a special certificate.

- 3-Year State Participant (third year to participate in state drills) or
- 3-Year State Winner Superior (24 correct responses all 3 years in state drills)

Sincerely,

Bible Drill Leaders

## Bible Drill Resources

You WILL find information on the following:

<http://missouribaptistbibledrill.site>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/168128383714695>

(will need to join it's a private group)

Email: [Missouribaptistbibledrill@gmail.com](mailto:Missouribaptistbibledrill@gmail.com)

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<http://missouribaptistbibledrill.site>