

Things to take:

- Question box with pens & paper
- Door welcome sign, register & rules
- Memory Verse Sign
- Fun file inserts
- Every Move I Make* by Christ Music Kids

Session Aim:

To teach the kids that we're amazing because God's amazing.

**"Let him who boasts boast in the Lord."**

**2 Corinthians 10:17**

#### **4. Praise: Boast in nothing except what we have through Jesus**

**Game as they arrive and register: Balloon on a string game**

**Equipment: balloon and string for each person**

Each person has a balloon tied round their ankle with string. The winner is the last person to have an unpopped balloon round their ankle.

**Game: Ball through the legs game**

**Equipment: small ball**

The group stands in a circle, with feet shoulder width apart, feet touching the person standing next to them so there are no gaps. The aim of the game is to bat the ball around the circle and through other people's legs to get them out. You can defend with one hand, the other hand stays behind your back. If someone is out they remain in the circle but with both hands behind their back. If the ball is batted through their legs they are in again, and the person who put it through their legs is out. It's important to remember who is in or out.

**Pray: for today's session**

**Rules - recap the Kids Rock rules**

**Answer question box from last week**

**Ask if anyone can remember memory verse from last week:**

"I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:20

**Memory verse: "Let him who boasts boast in the Lord." 2 Corinthians 10:17**

Get the children into small groups and see who can come up with the best rap for this verse.

**Bible Bit: Daniel 4**

Tell the children to listen for when you say King Nebuchadnezzar's name, as that's their cue to say 'BIG HEAD' in a sing-song voice.

King Nebuchadnezzar [BIG HEAD] had a dream. In his dream a tree grew up from the ground and became big and beautiful. Animals sheltered underneath it and birds nested in its branches, and they ate the fruit of the tree. But then a messenger came down from heaven and ordered that the tree be cut down, its branches trimmed and its fruit scattered. The animals and birds should run away from the tree, and the tree stump should be wrapped up in metal. Then the messenger said that someone would become like an animal for seven years. King Nebuchadnezzar [BIG HEAD] did not know what this dream meant. King Nebuchadnezzar [BIG HEAD] was worried. King Nebuchadnezzar [BIG HEAD] called for his advisors, to tell him what the dream meant, but they could not tell him. So King Nebuchadnezzar [BIG HEAD] called for Daniel, who was his best advisor, to tell him what the dream

meant. Daniel looked sad. “King Nebuchadnezzar [BIG HEAD], the tree represents you and your kingdom. There will come a day when you become like an animal, and people will run away from you, and your kingdom will be cut down like the tree was. But the tree stump being covered in metal means that if you say that God is the greatest, he will give you your kingdom back. So say sorry to God now, so that this all might not happen!”

But King Nebuchadnezzar [BIG HEAD] did not say sorry. In fact, twelve months later King Nebuchadnezzar [BIG HEAD] was standing on top of his palace, looking at his kingdom. “Wow!” he said, “I’ve made an amazing kingdom. I am the greatest!” As soon as King Nebuchadnezzar [BIG HEAD] said this, God said that the dream would be fulfilled. King Nebuchadnezzar’s [BIG HEAD] hair and nails grew really long, and he ate grass in the fields, and people ran away from him. After seven years King Nebuchadnezzar [BIG HEAD] looked up to heaven and he became a normal person again, and then he sang a song of praise to God about how God was the greatest. And sure enough, his kingdom was given back to him.

**Talk:**

Each and every one of us is an amazing person, full of skills and abilities. But that shouldn’t mean we become a BIG HEAD. The reason that we’re amazing isn’t because we made ourselves that way, but because God made us that way. We’re amazing because God’s amazing.

**Testimony:**

Get a leader to tell about a time when they got proud, and then had a come-uppance.

**Group Prayer:**

Dear God, thank you that each and every one of us is an incredible person. Help us to not get big-headed but remember that you made us, and that we’re amazing because you’re amazing.

**Response:** Remind children about the question box and see if anyone can remember the memory verse. Give out the fun file inserts and get them to complete the memory verse.

**Song & Actions:** *Every Move I Make by Christ Music Kids*

**Extra Game:** *Bicycle Inner Tube Game*

**Equipment:** *two bicycle inner tubes (we have two at YoYo you can borrow)*

Get the group to stand in a circle, holding hands. Break one pair of hands apart, thread an arm through the bicycle inner tube, then rejoin the hands. The aim is to get the bicycle inner tube around the circle as quickly as possible. With two tyres either run this as two groups competing, or, once a group has got the hang of one tyre, give them a second which must go around the circle in the opposite direction to its counterpart (the tyres must cross twice).

**Pray:** Kids Rock prayer before they leave.