



First, watch
this week's
video!

Cooperation:
Working
together to do
more than you
can do alone

Memory Verse

"Two people are
better than one.
They can help each
other in everything
they do."
Ecclesiastes 4:9, NIV

Bible Story

Building the
Tabernacle
Exodus 25:8-9; 28:1,
3; 31:1-11; 35:21, 25,
34; 39:42-43
Exodus 19, 25

Key Question

When have you
seen people work
together?

Use this guide to help your family
learn about cooperation.

Activity

Words of Cooperation

What You Need:

Note cards, something to write with

What You Do:

Divide the cards into two stacks. Write each of the following words on one stack, one word per card:

- suit
- sky
- blind
- tail
- basket

On the second stack of cards, write the following words:

- case
- diving
- fold
- light
- ball

Shuffle the first stack separately from the second stack so your child has to search for the correct pairing. Take the first stack and put it on one side of the room. Take the second stack and put it on the other side of the room.

Say, "A compound word is one word created by using two words together. For example, 'breakdance' is a word made from 'break' and 'dance.' You'll be putting together some compound words on your own today. First, you'll draw a card from one stack, then run across the room and find the word from the second stack that makes your word a new (compound) word. Ready, set, go!"

When the activity is finished, say, "If you think about it, a compound word is two words working together to create an entirely different word with a completely different meaning."

Talk About the Bible Story

Who in today's Bible story worked together to create something amazing? (God's people, the Israelites)

Do you think they would have gotten the special tent built if they hadn't worked together?

Why is cooperation important?

How do you know that God values cooperation? (*This is an opportunity to talk about how God includes us in the plan. God could have created the place of worship without the Israelites, and yet they were involved in working on it.*)

When have you had a hard time working with others? Why was it hard?

Parents: Share about a time when you worked with a team and accomplished more than you could have done alone.

Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

God, Thank You for creating us in Your image and for giving each of us ways we can work with others. Thank You for giving us special skills and talents that we can use as we cooperate together. This week, show us ways we can use those gifts to work with others in everything we do. Amen."