

Mailbox Mania

Materials

- ☐ Two boxes (one for each team)
- ☐ Envelopes (at least one per student)
- ☐ Timer

Instructions

Cut a slit in the top of each of the two boxes (large enough for the envelopes to slide through). Place the boxes on one side of the room. Divide students into teams and have them line up across from their "mailbox."

Set a stack of envelopes (at least one per student) at the back of each team's line. Set a timer for two or three minutes then say "Go!" The last person in each line will pass one envelope from the stack to the person in front of him, who will pass it on until it reaches the first person in line. The first person will then run to the team's mailbox, insert the envelope, and run back to the end of the line, ready to pass the next envelope up the line. Continue until time runs out then count how many envelopes have been delivered to each team's mailbox. The team with the most envelopes in their box wins.

Variations: Have teams compete without the timer to see who finishes first or time the teams to see how fast they can deliver all their envelopes.

Suggested Discussion

We talked about letters and how much fun it can be to receive a card or letter in the mail. But the letter Hezekiah received from his enemy was not fun at all. The letter from King Sennacharib told Hezekiah that he could not trust God to protect him.

- ? Was that true? *No.*
- ? Who did Hezekiah turn to when this troubling letter was delivered to him? *God.*

Right. Hezekiah did not let the enemy's words keep him from trusting in God. And God blessed Hezekiah by protecting him and his city.