# **Teacher Resource Center**

# "How To's...." - Tips and Information for Teachers

[The material in this site will be updated on a regular basis. Professional teachers who wish to submit articles for topics should send them to FOCUS education @oca.org

Note: Articles may be edited for specific levels or audiences.]

Click on the following categories of resources to find informative articles and specific projects with instructions.

# **General Index of Subjects:**

Click on **Bold Titles** for available articles.

<u>Church Life</u> cf. <u>Sacraments</u>, <u>Feasts</u>, <u>Seasons</u>, <u>Liturgical Services</u>
<u>Teaching Sacraments</u>

#### Classroom Management

Six Teaching Functions

Classroom Rules and Procedures (incomplete)

How Good a Motivator are You? Self-Assessment with Tips

**Factors to Increase Student Motivation** 

#### **Collaborative / Cooperative Learning**

Community Life Activities See also Church Life

**Concepts: A Focus for Teaching** 

# **Crafts, Activities & Projects**

(See also: Resource Bin for Activities, Crafts & Projects)

**Collage: Family** 

Illlustration of Church – Primary

Memory Box

Mobile: We Are the People of God

**Puppets** 

Story Outlines/ Booklet

#### **Developmental Levels— Piaget / Fowler**

<u>Introduction</u> (See also <u>Steps in Learning</u>)

Charts: (Available in Study Units)
Personal Development Charts

**Content Development Charts** 

Relation to Development of Church Content/Concepts

#### **Discussion/Lesson Starters**

#### **Environmental Projects**

See: "The Earth is the Lord's" Study Unit

#### **Establish Legal Rights and Recourses**

Family Life (cf. also Church Life and Concepts: e.g., "Belonging"

Family Stories (See also "Think and Write Prompts")

**Family Memories Album** 

"Roots" Coffee Hour (Parish Event)

# **Goals and Objectives**

# **Ice-breakers** for Groups

# <u>Interviews</u>

# <u>Journaling</u>

Questions to direct Journal writing

See also: "Think and Write" Prompts"

# **Knowing Your Students**

# **Learning Environments**

# **Learning Games**

#### **Map Activities & Projects**

Ancestor Map and Related Projects
Following Bible Journeys
Bible Map Projects

#### **Motivation**

#### Peer Learning and Problem-Solving

# **Questionnaires**, Surveys, Interest Inventories

<u>Student/Family Portrait</u> (Introductory Information)

#### **Questions: Making them Useful**

Asking Questions for Types of Content and Application

#### Reading with Children

Reading Aloud: A Teacher's Guide
Reading with Children: A Parent's Guide

# Reading Response Logs and Projects

Reading Projects
Story Frame
Think and Write Prompts

**Reinforcement: Positive vs. Negative** 

# **Review Activities**

# Rules vs. Covenants

# **Steps in Learning— Thinking Skills**

The Cognitive Domain: Bloom's Taxonomies
Levels/Types of Cognition in Teaching
Sample Questions for Types of Cognition

# <u>Knowledge</u>, <u>Comprehension</u>, <u>Application</u>, <u>Analysis</u>, <u>Synthesis</u>, <u>Evaluation</u>

# **Storytelling**

# "Think and Write" Prompts

Primary

My Story

Middler/Jr. High

I Am a CHRISTian The Exodus

Teens-Adults

New Life in Christ
New Life in the Church
The Apostles and the Church
Questions to direct Journal Writing
Prompts for Reflective Writing

# **Volunteer Teachers**