

Two Family Theme Games **by Zac Schlegel and Carol Duerksen**

MATERIALS AND ADVANCE PREPARATION:

- Print the “Famous Families” game and answer key. You will need one game sheet for each group or individual, depending on how you organize it, and one answer key.
- You will create a scavenger hunt involving the families in your church and/or related to the Famous Families Game. Suggestions are listed but you may personalize it to your particular congregation. Print the items to find, one sheet for each group.
- Video or digital cameras for the scavenger hunt.
- Lap top and projector to show pictures from the hunt

FAMILY SCAVENGER HUNT

Divide the youth into groups and make sure each group has a camera and a list of everything they need to find. Have them take a group photo with each item. Set a time limit when everyone has to be back. When the youth return, have the groups show their findings to each other.

FAMOUS FAMILIES GAME

Give students (or groups) time to fill out the game and then check their answers.

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Gameplay Ideas:

- 1 Noah took a male/female pair of every species into the Ark. Find a male/female pair of a non-human species and take your picture with them.
- 2 If you were getting on the Ark today, take a picture of the most difficult bird or animal that you can find to take with you. Bear in mind that “difficult” can be interpreted in many ways.
- 3 Who are some of the oldest people in your church family? Find one and take a picture with them.
- 4 Who is the head of your church? Take a picture. (Note to leaders—this is deliberately open-ended enough so it can be interpreted differently by the youth.)
- 5 Find a family that has done a term of service and take your picture with them and something that symbolizes that term of service.
- 6 Find the family in your church with the most children and take a picture with them.
- 7 Find the most diverse-looking family in your church and take a picture with them.
- 8 Find a family in which everyone plays a musical instrument and take a picture of them playing together.
- 9 Find the family in your church with the smallest car, pile your youth group and the family into that car, and take a picture.
- 10 Decide which family in your church is “Most Likely to Be Famous Someday” and take a picture with them.

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Gameplay Questions:

Name the famous family talked about in the following clues.

- 1 This family had their own show on MTV in which cameras followed their everyday life (and the lives of their dogs.) _____ . Name the most famous member of this family. _____ .
- 2 This family is known for a major homicide case back in the 1960's. _____ . Name the famous leader of this family. _____ .
- 3 This TV family was actually made up of two families that were brought together through the marriage of the parents. _____ . Name each member of the family.
- 4 This family has had two members in the most important position in the United States. Name the position held _____ , the two family members _____ and their relationship _____ .
- 5 This family has seen three sons die in very dramatic ways; two assassinations and a plane crash. _____ Name the three sons. _____ , _____ , _____ .
6. This family includes three brothers in the movie business. They have appeared in movies such as The Royal Tenenbaums, Bottle Rocket, Zoolander, and You, Me and Dupree. The family name _____ . The three brothers. _____ , and _____ , and _____ .
- 7 This family includes a parent and children, but the parent is also referred to as "the bridegroom" and the children as "the bride." _____ .
- 8 This family was involved in the first murder case ever recorded in history. _____ . Name both parties involved in the case. _____ and _____ .
- 9 This family preserved life on plant Earth. _____ . Name each member of the family. _____ .
- 10 This family led an enormous group of people to freedom but it took many more years than they thought it would. Name the three family members _____ , and _____ and _____ .
- 11 This man lost his entire family, to test him and his faith. _____ .
- 12 This man had a twin brother, and he tricked his brother and father in order to have a higher position in the culture of that day. Who was the man, his twin and his father? _____ and _____ and _____ .

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- 13 This man was betrayed and taken away for many years. He later helped his family rather than making them suffer. _____ . Why was he betrayed and by whom? _____ .
- 14 This family included an unwed pregnant teenager. Who was it? _____ .
- 15 This family had an incident in which a brother had a crush on his sister. Whose family was it? _____ . Name the brother and sister involved. _____ and _____ .
- 16 This famous man is the father of many nations and everyone is blessed through him. _____ . Name his first child _____ .
- 17 This man was the last king of the 12 tribes and his son was the first king of Judah. Who was the man? _____ . What was the son's name? _____ .
- 18 This woman had a family, but was forced to find another when they died. She then found a new family and had a son. Her name _____ . What are the names of her second husband, son and her sister-in-law? _____ , and _____ , and _____ .
- 19 This famous man wrestled with an angel and later had many sons. The man _____ . The 12 sons: _____ .
- 20 This family wasn't related by blood, but spiritually they were a family. They were together for only three years before they were forced to go their separate ways. Name each person in this family.

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Gameplay Answers:

- 1 The Osbournes. Ozzy
- 2 The Manson Family. Charles Manson
- 3 The Brady Bunch. Mike, Carol, Greg, Marsha, Peter, Jan, Bobby, and Cindy. Alice also works.
- 4 The Bushes. President, George Bush and George W., father/son.
- 5 The Kennedys. John; Bobby; John, Jr. .
- 6 The Wilsons. Owen, Luke and Andrew.
- 7 God and humankind
- 8 Adam and Eve's family. Cain and Abel (Genesis 4)
- 9 Noah's family. Shem, Ham and Japheth and wives (Genesis 6)
- 10 Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. (Exodus 4: 14, 15)
- 11 Job (Job)
- 12 Jacob. Esau and Isaac (Genesis 25: 19-34, 27: 1-40)
- 13 Joseph. He was betrayed by his brothers because they were jealous of his coat and angry at him because of his dreams. (Genesis 37: 12-36)
- 14 Mary and Joseph (Luke 2: 1-7)
- 15 David's family. Amnon and Tamar (2 Samuel 13)
- 16 Abraham or Abram. Ishmael (Genesis 12 and 16)
- 17 Solomon. Rehoboam (1 Kings 2: 13-46, 12: 1-24)
- 18 Ruth. Boaz, Obed, and Naomi (Ruth 1, 4, 4:17)
- 19 Jacob. Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Zebulun, Issachar, Dan, Gad, Asher, Naphtali, Joseph, Benjamin (Genesis 49: 3-27)
- 20 Jesus, Simon called Peter, Andrew, James, John, Philip, Bartholomew, Thomas, Matthew, James, Thaddaeus, Simon the Zealot, and Judas Iscariot. (Mark 3: 13-19)