



# VBS FASTFACTS

## THEME:

A Flight School where kids learn the basics of aviation and flight. Amid the airplanes and hangars, kids will learn how to achieve higher standards for godliness as they are encouraged to fly higher with Jesus.

## OBJECTIVE:

To spur children on towards a life that is lived out every day for Christ. Flight School aims to shake children out of complacency and seeks to create a hunger in children to draw closer to God every day, committing all things to Him for His glory.

<b>BIBLE VERSIONS INCLUDED:</b>	NIV, KJV, NKJV, NLT, ESV, and HCSB. Materials are included on the CD-ROM in each of these Bible translations.
<b>LENGTH OF THE PROGRAM:</b>	Five days, with a daily running time of 2½ hours.
<b>FOR AGES:</b>	Can accommodate age 3 thru 6th grade, and also includes workshops for adults.
<b>SCALE OF THE PROGRAM:</b>	Adjustable scale allows Flight School to fit the needs of very small churches, medium-sized churches, and large churches.
<b>AGE GROUP DIVISIONS:</b>	Small churches: Two (Preschool thru grade 1 / grade 2 thru grade 6) Medium churches: Four (3s & 4s / K-1st / 2nd & 3rd / 4th thru 6th) Large churches: Eight (3s / 4s / K5 / 1st / 2nd / 3rd / 4th / 5th & 6th)
<b>CLASSROOMS NEEDED:</b>	Minimum of four. In large churches, up to eight rooms may be needed.
<b>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:</b>	One adult for every ten children, plus five (minimum requirements). One adult for every eight children, plus ten (ideal number of staff).
<b>GOSPEL PRESENTED:</b>	Every day in drama skits at closing assemblies.
<b>FORMAT:</b>	CD-ROM for Windows and Macintosh or WebLink downloadable format
<b>REPRODUCIBLE?</b>	Yes, in unlimited quantities for use in your ministry. Re-selling and re-distribution is prohibited.

COMPONENTS INCLUDED IN THIS VBS KIT	DESCRIPTION AND CONTENTS
<b>DIRECTOR'S GUIDEBOOK</b>	Overview of VBS, tips and directions for planning and organizing VBS, and recruiting and supplies flyers
<b>DRAMA KIT WITH DAILY GOSPEL</b>	Skits and gospel presentations for five days and directions and tips for planning and performing drama
<b>TEACHING DIRECTOR'S GUIDE</b>	VBS lessons and directions for organizing all VBS teaching activities
<b>BIBLE STORY LESSON KIT</b>	Bible story lessons designed for four teaching levels covering five days
<b>BIBLE APPLICATION LESSON KIT</b>	Object lessons with Scripture designed for four teaching levels which illustrate how to apply each day's Bible lesson
<b>SEND-HOME MATERIALS KIT</b>	Take-home worksheets at four levels for kids, and take-home Bible studies for parents, covering the five days of VBS
<b>ADULT WORKSHOP KIT</b>	Workshop-style lessons for adults covering five days
<b>MUSIC KIT</b>	Song lyrics, hand motions, sheet music and music CD containing seven original VBS songs
<b>CRAFTS KIT</b>	Complete directions, supply lists and templates for five VBS craft projects
<b>SNACKS KIT</b>	Complete directions, supply lists and recipes for five VBS snacks
<b>GAMES KIT</b>	Complete directions, supply lists and diagrams for five VBS games
<b>AGE GROUP LEADER GUIDES</b>	Directions for all VBS Age Group Leaders
<b>MISSIONS KIT</b>	Suggestions for VBS missions projects, fund-raising ideas, and progress tracking poster
<b>REGISTRATION &amp; SCORING KIT</b>	Complete directions, name tags, score sheets, information cards and flyers for VBS registration and scorekeeping
<b>DECORATIONS KIT</b>	Ideas, suggestions and clip art to be used for decorating your facility for VBS
<b>ADVERTISING KIT</b>	Directions, suggestions, flyers, posters, banner artwork, a promotional skit, and a radio script for promoting your VBS
<b>DISCIPLESHIP BOOKLET: "GROWING UP IN CHRIST"</b>	Thirteen lessons and activities, along with extensive Scriptural references designed for parents and children to go through TOGETHER
<b>GOSPEL TRACT: "ALL ABOUT JESUS"</b>	A one-page explanation of the problem of sin and how Jesus' death and resurrection can save us
<b>GOSPEL TRACT: "SOMETHING'S WRONG"</b>	A one-page discussion of how sin curses our world and how Christ is the only solution
<b>GOSPEL TRACT: "THE BIBLE IN 30 SECONDS"</b>	A two-page rhyming summary of the Bible, showing how sin threatens us and how Jesus can save us
<b>CLIP ART LIBRARY</b>	A large selection of decorating and advertising artwork, signs and large posters on CD-ROM
<b>T-SHIRT ARTWORK</b>	Artwork for VBS T-Shirts which you can have printed at a t-shirt shop or iron on to your own shirts
<b>FLYERS</b>	Recruiting, registration and advertising flyers on CD-ROM



# VBS FLIGHT PLAN

	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5
<b>OVERALL FOCUS</b>	<b>PREPARE FOR TAKEOFF!</b> In order to fly, we must comply with the laws of physics. Unless our aircraft is molded to the right shape, it cannot fly. In the same way, it is only through Christ that we can be saved, and only by being molded to His likeness that we can fly!	<b>TRUST YOUR INSTRUMENTS!</b> Pilots cannot trust their senses while in flight. Their senses can fool them, leading to crashes. In the same way, we cannot trust our hearts, nor can we fully understand God's plan. We must instead rely on God's Word and the Holy Spirit to navigate us through life.	<b>DON'T STALL; DON'T FALL!</b> Unless an airplane is continuously moving forward in flight, it will go into a stall and crash. We are the same way. Unless we constantly strive to grow and move forward in Christ, we will backslide. There is no standing still!	<b>AVOID DRAG!</b> Every aircraft has to be as free from drag as possible. We also have to rid ourselves of the things that drag us down as we strive to grow in Christ. We must throw off everything that hinders and get rid of whatever keeps us from excelling in Christ!	<b>GO SUPERSONIC!</b> We are commanded to spread the gospel, but as pilots must contend with the sound barrier, we must break through barriers in order to make some noise with the gospel! It's time to overcome our fears and break through to make a sonic boom for Christ!
<b>MEMORY VERSE</b> (NIV SHOWN HERE)	<b>JOHN 14:6</b> I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.	<b>PROVERBS 3:5-6</b> Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight.	<b>COLOSSIANS 3:23</b> Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men.	<b>HEBREWS 12:1B</b> Let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.	<b>1 PETER 3:15A</b> But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have.
<b>DRAMA SKIT</b> 	<b>"THE PRINCIPLE OF LIFT"</b> "Will" explains to Amelia that Christ is the only way to get off the ground. <b>INCLUDES GOSPEL PRESENTATION</b>	<b>"OFF COURSE"</b> Instead of flying by the book, "Boomer" flies by his instincts and crashes. <b>INCLUDES GOSPEL PRESENTATION</b>	<b>"VELOCITY"</b> "Will" explains to Boomer that, though he thinks he's a hot shot, he's really in a stall. <b>INCLUDES GOSPEL PRESENTATION</b>	<b>"DRAGGING DOWN"</b> Boomer and Amelia are faced with surrendering the things that keep them from flying high. <b>INCLUDES GOSPEL PRESENTATION</b>	<b>"SONIC BOOM"</b> Will challenges Amelia and Boomer to make some noise by living out the gospel. <b>INCLUDES GOSPEL PRESENTATION</b>
<b>BIBLE STORY</b> 	<b>"SAUL SEES THE LIGHT"</b> A Pharisee's Life Finally Takes Off (Adapted from Acts 7 and 9) <i>Saul THOUGHT he was flying high as a Pharisee, until he met Jesus on the road. Then, after being broken and rebuilt, his life finally took off in Christ!</i>	<b>"SENSELESS SENSES"</b> The Israelites Learn to Trust God by Collecting Manna (Adapted from Exodus 6-16) <i>Their senses told them there was no food in the desert. Would the Israelites trust God to provide as He said He would, or would they make the mistake of trusting their senses?</i>	<b>"UZZIAH STALLS AND FALLS"</b> How a Good King Crashed and Burned (Adapted from 2 Chronicles 26) <i>Though he got off to a great start, Uzziah became too impressed with himself and became complacent in his relationship with God, resulting in a fall.</i>	<b>"EVERYTHING THAT HINDERS..."</b> Vignettes from the Parable of the Sower (Adapted from Matthew 13:3-23) <i>From the parable of the sower, we see all the things that prevent people from responding to the gospel. These are some of the things we must throw off!</i>	<b>"THROUGH THE BARRIER"</b> Paul Looks Back at a Supersonic Life (Adapted from Acts and 2 Timothy) <i>Paul reflects on a life of ups and downs, breaking through barriers with the gospel.</i>
<b>APPLICATION LESSON</b> 	<b>FLAPS UP, FLAPS DOWN!</b> Through experiments with paper airplanes, kids will see that an airplane can only go where the air pushes it, and that the plane must adjust its shape in order to maneuver. We must be conformed to Christ's likeness in order to function as Christians.	<b>ROUND AND ROUND!</b> Kids will see that, when spun around in an office chair while blindfolded, they cannot trust what their senses tell them about the direction they are facing and whether they are stopped or still spinning. This will illustrate how our senses can be fooled, while God's Word is always right.	<b>DON'T SLOW DOWN!</b> Using a spinning airplane on a string, kids will see that, once an airplane ceases to move forward at a good pace, it falls to the earth. This principle will challenge the kids to always strive for a better and more mature relationship with God.	<b>LOSE THE DRAG!</b> A race is run where one runner has a number of things dragging behind him, slowing him down. During the lesson, kids will evaluate things that slow them down in their lives with Christ and will consider how to be rid of those things. The race is then run again without the 'drag' with better results.	<b>BREAK THROUGH!</b> An object lesson will illustrate how Chuck Yeager broke the sound barrier. This will be compared to the barriers broken by missionary pilot Nate Saint and how the kids can ALSO break through barriers and make a sonic boom with the gospel!
<b>SONGS</b> 	<b>TAKE OFF!</b> Give your life to Christ and get off the ground!	<b>KEEP YOUR EYES ON JESUS</b> Always trust God over yourself and He will keep you on course!	<b>NEED FOR SPEED</b> This up-tempo song reminds kids to always move forward with God!	<b>SIN IS A DRAG</b> This fun song reminds kids that sin drags them down, but faith lifts them up!	<b>SUPERSONIC</b> This up-tempo song fires up kids' engines to make some noise for Christ!
<b>SCRIPTURE MEMORY GAMES</b> 	<b>PROPELLOR</b> Kids try to duck or jump over a rotating pool noodle "propellor".	<b>AIR MAIL</b> Teams race to transfer balls down a line of five buckets.	<b>AIRBORNE</b> Teams play volleyball using multiple balloons instead of a ball.	<b>JETTISON</b> Kids try to shake all the balls off of a parachute.	<b>BREAKTHROUGH</b> Teams race to get through an obstacle course.
	<b>FLIGHT PLAN</b> Kids try to throw pool noodles through hula hoops.	<b>AIR MAIL</b> Teams race to transfer balls down a line of five buckets.	<b>DON'T STALL!</b> Teams race to keep hula hoops rolling so they don't fall.	<b>IT'S A DRAG!</b> Teams compete to drag their opponents across their finish line.	<b>BREAKTHROUGH</b> Teams race to get through an obstacle course.

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**CRAFTS, SNACKS, AND GAMES INFORMATION AVAILABLE IN OUR DIRECTOR'S GUIDEBOOK**