

Behavioral Covenant for Young Children

YOUNG CHILDREN'S AGE-LEVEL Leader's Guide

Supplies: None

Preparation: None

ACTIVITY:

With this age-level, this needs to be a conversation.

Gather the group in a circle.

ASK the children: *Do you know what a promise is?*

Take answers, and make corrections if needed.

EXPLAIN that they are going to make a promise together so that everyone will be safe and have a good time while they are here.

SAY: This will be our promise. Please listen carefully to what I say.

READ the first line. Repeat the first line, and ask the children to say it with you.

EXPLAIN what that means, in simple terms.

Repeat this process with each line.

We will do what our class is doing.

We will be quiet when other people are talking.

We will not tease or pick on others.

We will say only nice things about others.

We will keep our hands to ourselves so no one gets hurt.

We will play nicely with each other.

We will tell the truth.

We will pray for our friends and our family and the whole world.

CONFIRM: When you have discussed each line, ask if they can all promise to try to do these things.

Then have them say all together: **I PROMISE!**

Close with this PRAYER:

Thank you, God, for our friends in this class. Help us to be nice to every person, and help us take care of each other so no one feels badly or gets hurt. Thank you for our families and our church. Amen.

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