



## Trek Parent Resources

May 30 & 31, 2020

Philip and the Man from Ethiopia

Our Bible story this week comes from Acts 8:26-40.

# Just for Fun: Can you show determination?

Supplies needed: paper and pens

Have a family competition to see who can answer the most trivia questions below correctly. The answers are provided on the last page...but don't cheat! You can use Google (or another search) to find the answers if you would like.

- What do pandas eat?
- What planet is 5th from the sun?
- Approximately how many football fields tall is the Empire State Building? (Hint: roof height, not with the antenna)
- How many miles long is the Great Wall of China?
- How long does a sea turtle live?
- Do turtles breathe underwater?
- If you are eating escargot, what are you eating?
- A moth commonly referred to as a "beautiful wood nymph" camouflages itself to look like what?
- What are the names of five "official" Disney princess? (There are 12 "official" ones!)
- What is Hamm's alter ego name in Toy Story?
- How many times does a hummingbird's heartbeat in a minute?
- If you have "anatidaephobia," what are you afraid is watching you?
- What is a synonym for flummoxed?

# Questions?

**Supplies needed: index cards, sticky notes, or scrap pieces of paper**

- Write each of the following questions on an index card, creating six “Question Cards:”

**Who? What? Where? When? How? Why?**

- Shuffle the index cards and set the “Question Cards” aside.
- Ask: **Who are some of the people in your life?**
- As everyone answers, write each example on an index card. Examples could include: **parents, coach, teacher, siblings, friends, pastor, Small Group Leader at church, classmates.** These are the “People Cards”.
- Shuffle the index cards and set them next to the Question Cards.
- Take turns picking both a People index card and a Question Card.
- Come up with a question using the Question Card they picked that they could ask the person listed on the People index card they picked. **Example: What does my teacher eat for breakfast? When does Bobby brush his teeth?**
- Have fun with the questions and be creative!
- Give everyone another index card and a pencil.
- Write a **question you have for God or about God** on your index card. Use multiple index cards if you can think of more than one question.
- Collect the index cards and shuffle them.
- Lay the index cards in the center of the circle.
- Read the questions together as a family.
- Discuss the questions. Depending on time, you can select a couple of the questions to focus on. Potential questions could be:

**Did more than one person have the same question?**

**Where would you go to search for an answer to a question?**

**What if you can't find an answer to your question?**

**What are reasons we don't ask questions?**



**Note: The goal of this activity is not to answer the questions. Guide the conversation to discuss what happens when we don't get answers; what can we do? This activity provides an opportunity to discuss the fact that at times we can get answers to our questions right away, but there are also times we have to wait for an answer or there are times our questions don't get answered. But it is important to remember to keep going and whenever you have a question, ask it.**

# Discussion Questions

- Why is it important to ask questions?
- What happens if we don't understand and we don't ask questions?
- When is it hard to ask questions?
- Are there questions that have no answers?



## Pray as a family

- Place the “People” index cards in the center (from the **Questions?** activity on the previous page).
- Explain that it's important we ask questions. Just like the Ethiopian official in our story today, when we don't understand something about God or the Bible, we need ask questions so we can get to know God even better.
- Think of specific people in your lives who you can turn to when you have questions. Share these as a family.
- Close in prayer to thank God specifically for the people in your lives who will help you with questions they have.

**God, You know everything! And we can ask You anything! We are so thankful for the Bible. Help us show determination and to keep going even when we have questions. God, You have given us people in our lives we can turn to when we have questions. Thank You for (give an opportunity to say names of people you can turn to with your questions). Amen!**

**What questions do you have?**

Feel free to reach out to Pastor Paul Faust if you need help answering any questions your kids might have about God.

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# Trivia Answers



- What do pandas eat? **bamboo**
- What planet is 5th from the sun? **Jupiter**
- Approximately how many football fields tall is the Empire State Building? **(Hint: roof height, not with the antenna) It is 1,250 feet tall = 417 yards = a little over 4 football fields**
- How long is the Great Wall of China? **It is 13, 171 miles long.**
- How long does a sea turtle live? **30-70 years**
- Do turtles breathe underwater? **No**
- If you are eating escargot, what are you eating? **snails**
- A moth commonly referred to as a “beautiful wood nymph” camouflages itself to look like what? **Bird poop**
- What are the names of five “official” Disney princess? **(There are 12 “official” ones!) Snow White, Cinderella, Aurora, Ariel, Belle, Jasmine, Pocahontas, Mulan, Rapunzel, Tiana, Merida, & Moana are all “official” Disney princesses.**
- What is Hamm’s alter ego name in Toy Story? **Evil Doctor Porkchop**
- How many times does a hummingbird’s heartbeat in a minute? **Over 1,200 beats a minute**
- If you have “anatidaephobia,” what are you afraid is watching you? **A duck or goose**
- What is a synonym for flummoxed? **Confused, baffled, puzzled, dumbfounded**



**How did you do? How many did you get right?**

