# Coaching Tips

## **Promotion**

Promote Bible Quiz early (January or February) with a poster, announcements at club and Church. Pass out flyers at club for the first practice with dates, times, what to expect, awards possible. Send a letter to all qualified clubbers with Promotional Flyer <u>early</u> explaining to *parents*, and kids roles.

### Planning

Pray for all the kids that they will do their best, and that God will get the Glory. Prepare a study guide each week with questions broken down to parts of book (new questions each week). Create a "homework" chart for parents to sign off when child studies each day. Make a chart of attendance at practices including: Mult. Choice, and Speed answered correct, homework done. Design, buy or copy from my website puzzles or other games for study aids. Buy (or coordinate parents to buy) candy (or other incentives) for Quiz Practice.

### **Parents Participation**

In letter explain parents role: helping child memorize and recite verse, explain meaning, pray with child. Ask parents to bring in the incentives (candy, etc.) to practice.

# **Practice Tips**

Schedule practice when most clubbers eligible can attend (i.e. before Awana, after, Sat. Sun. etc.). Coach should delegate one leader for each handbook Rank at practice. <u>Coaches should know the material.</u>

Always start each practice with a **PRAYER**, including positive reinforcement to quizzers. Take attendance, and fill in who did their "homework" sheets on the Attendance Chart. Review the rules of the Quiz meet, go over strategy, remind them to look to coach at Quiz. Review the meaning of one (or two) verses in a mini Bible Study so kids <u>know the meaning</u> of the verse. Then move into groups to study individual Rank materials for a half-of-an-hour (keep practice active). Bring groups together for Multiple choice and Speed questions (from this weeks study guide) using Paddles. Give positive reinforcement to all kids (right or wrong answers), reward "quiz outs", most correct (candy, etc.). Remind each quizzer about their Christian attitude and example at the Quiz. Remind kids to *listen* to and <u>know the questions</u> as well as the answers, know all verses **Word Perfect**. Last practice should be a "mock" quiz with Boys against Girls teams **using a microphone**.

Ask Pastor to recognize the Quiz teams at Sunday morning service after Quiz.

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