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ChildhoodMinistry

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Books: "I Can Read Signs"



The Big
Idea

Learning to read is one of the most exciting things boys and girls look forward to doing. They talk about reading even before they can actually read words. Reading signs is something that preschoolers often do at an early age. Think about some of the most familiar signs that preschool boys and girls recognize. Photograph the signs to create "I Can Read Signs" books.

God will be with you everywhere you go (Joshua 1:9).



Supplies for Photo Books:



Things to
Gather

- camera
- photos of familiar signs such as McDonald's, Sonic, Target, and Wal Mart
- small photo books with clear pages to insert photos (available with photo albums at Wal Mart)
- paper to make a cover page for book



Put it
Together

1. Photograph enough signs for pages in the book. Insert the photos in the pages of the photo book. Print a title page such as "I Can Read Signs."
2. Consider creating several books with one for places to eat and another for places to shop.
3. Expand the idea to photograph signs for schools and child care locations.
4. Photos of traffic signs or other signs can be included in a book about signs.

Teaching Tips:

- Involve a child in looking at one of the photo books by reading the title page. Continue by asking the child to turn the pages and "read."
- As a child looks at signs for places where he likes to eat, talk about things he does with his family. Listen as he names his favorite foods.
- If the signs show shopping places, talk about families and things they do together.
- A book that shows child care locations and schools can be used to name places a child goes during the week. Talk about brothers and sisters and where they go to school.
- Remind preschoolers of the Bible verse that says **God will be with you everywhere you go**. Listen as boys and girls name places they like to go. Repeat the Bible verse to include the place the child has named.

