

Helping children and young people connect with God – handout for team

God-smart and God-connected

- We want our groups to be places where children and young people don't just learn about God, but where they grow their one-to-one relationship with him – they become God-connected.

How do children and young people connect with God?

- God connects with each of us in ways we understand.
- Children and young people may not know or believe God wants to communicate with them.
- Children and young people may not realise they can chat to God themselves.

How can I help children and young people connect in our sessions?

- Familiarise yourself with the format of your session and your role.
- Get to know the language your group uses.
- Don't be the high priest!
- Know what to do when they 'catch'.
- Share your own stories.

Links

Here are some further resources you might find helpful to explore this area further:

- Chat and catch – see sessions 4 and 5 of the free Parenting for Faith course – parentingforfaith.org/course
- God-smart and God-connected – see session 1 of the course, starting at 01:56 – parentingforfaith.org/course