

Preparations & Instructions for the Game “Pick A Phrase”

Objective: To consider faithful ways to respond to various challenges and circumstances, given a variety of different mediums for sharing.

Note: The game is designed to engage four players so you will need to adapt your provisions accordingly. You may wish to encourage parents and younger children to play the game as teams, rather than individuals, to provide guidance and support for interpreting the game play.

Preparations:

- Make copies of the “Pick A Phrase” game sheet and separate the four faces.
- Package several sets of the “Pick A Phrase” game to accommodate groups of four teams/ individuals. Include a game board, the four faces, and a die.

Instructions for Game Play:

- * Display the game board for easy reference. Place the four faces upside-down.
- * Shake the die to decide who will begin the game. The person with the lowest number begins.
- * Begin the game by turning a one of the four faces right-side up. Identify the expression on the face and describe a situation when you might encounter it. Then, toss the die to identify the option you will use to share a word or phrase of God’s love, affirmation and care.

The six symbols associated with the numbers on the die represent the following options for responding.

Boom box:	A musical recording
Telephone:	A voice mail message
Shhh:	A moment of silence to honor the powerful effect of listening
Mouth:	A face-to-face conversation
Musical Notes:	A song you might sing
Let’s Pray	A prayer you might pray

- * The next person takes his or her turn.
- * The game continues until everyone has had several opportunities to consider how they might be God’s voice of love and care.