



South Texas District of the Assemblies of God

KidMin Department

Welcome to Junior Bible Quiz!

The goal of Junior Bible Quiz is that children will memorize the Word of God, understand its teachings, and be equipped to share the gospel with their friends. It gives them both the tools and the motivation to learn to read and study the Bible on their own. The Junior Bible Quiz program in the South Texas District of the Assemblies of God is available to all young people from K4 through 6th grades.

Junior Bible Quiz (JBQ), now in its 24th year in the District, covers 576 Bible Fact Pack questions ranging from basic Bible facts to deeper Spiritual truths. JBQ is geared for kids in K4 through 6th grades, but the information learned through studying these questions would challenge a Christian of any age.

These young people are challenged to study the Word by using their natural competitiveness as an incentive. Churches set up teams of quizzers to compete with one another to see who can best recall what they have studied. This quiz year there will be six area competitions from October through March. Twenty questions are asked in each game with three levels of difficulty. The team with the most points wins. Competition is held locally, but also allows for a playoff system that crowns a national champion.

Please feel free to contact our District JBQ Coordinator, Danielle Guntle at 210-689-5062 or JBQ@stxkidmin.org with any questions. Our goal for quizzing in South Texas is to teach young people that God's Word is personal, that Jesus Christ is a real part of their daily lives, and that He desires a relationship with each one of them.

In His Service,

Rev. Shanelle Johnston

South Texas District of the Assemblies of God
KidMin Director

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Junior Bible Quiz
2023-2024
INFORMATION & POLICIES

REGISTRATION

Registration is open to all children K4 through 6th grade. (A child is eligible to quiz outside of the PeeWee League if he is starting grades one through six in public or private school, or in the case of home schoolers, by basing grade eligibility on the child's age as of September 1. If 6 on Sept. 1, then 1st grade, if 7, then 2nd grade, etc.) If a child is a returning quizzier, then grade eligibility can be established based on previous year's registration.

To register a team, the following must be completed:

- [1 Team Registration Form](#) - 1 per team quizzing (to be *completed by Church Coordinator*)
- [Quizzer Registration & Consent Forms](#) - 1 per quizzer (to be *completed by parent of quizzer*)
- Fee paid per team (*see fee schedule below*)
- [Officials Registration](#) (*Each official should watch Training Video, Take Test and Complete Registration personally*)

If you prefer to mail forms and payment instead of online, please to:

JBQ, STXAG - KID MIN DEPT 12106 EAST SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY N. HOUSTON, TEXAS 77044.

Cost

*\$130 for the first team registering from a church if postmarked by January 2, 2024.

After January 1, registration for the first team will be \$150.

*\$70 for each additional team from the same church

(Registration fees cover printing, office expenses, and awards....)

Teams MUST be registered before the February meet in order to be able to participate for the remainder of the season.

AREA LEAGUES

Teams may be divided into the following Area Leagues for competition:

- (A) North Houston Section –
- (B) South Houston Section –
- (C) San Antonio Section –

At this time, Danielle Guntle is the League Coordinator and covers all sections.

(210-689-5062 JBQ@stxkidmin.org) ** Additional leagues will be developed and restructured as needed. *

COMPETITION

There will be three divisions of competition:

Peewee League - Level 1

Consists of quizzers that are K4 - 1st grade and any 2nd grader who hasn't scored more than 30 points in a meet. Quizzers may remain in this league all 3 years, but should be encouraged to move to the A League by 2nd grade.

Quizzes on HALF the book for 10's and 20's ONLY.

These teams are NOT eligible to compete at Regional and National Competition.

A League - Level 2

Consists of quizzers 2nd grade or older. New quizzers (of age) will start in this league. Quizzers that have quizzed in Peewee and/or A league for a combination of three or more consecutive years, should be moved to AA.

Quizzed on all questions, all point values.

These teams are NOT eligible to compete at Regional and National Competition.

AA League - Level 3

Consists of children who are 2nd grade or higher and who have quizzed at least one year prior.

Quizzed on all questions, all point values

These teams are eligible to compete at Regional and National Competition.

Churches **must** supply a minimum of two qualified officials for each team in competition. At least one official for each team must be willing to be a Quiz Master.. **All quizzing will follow the Official Junior Bible Quiz Guidelines posted on National JBQ website at www.nationaljbq.org. The question sets will be taken from www.biblefactpak.com.**

We will alternate between starting in the front and starting in the back of the Fact Pak. For 2023/2024 we will begin at the beginning of the book.

LEAGUE MEETS INTENT TO PARTICIPATE

All teams intending to participate in a League meet **must** fill out the Meet Participation Form at least *one week* prior to the scheduled meet. The Intent to Participate Form is available online: [Intent to Participate](#). Additional teams may not be added past this deadline. This deadline is necessary to allow coordinators time to prepare adequately.

To Qualify for District Finals

Teams will qualify for District Finals by participating in at least 2 league meets. The three District sponsored qualifying meets are the January, February and March Area League Meets.

Additional new quizzers may be added to teams, but must be registered in order to be eligible for District Finals. Quizzers may not switch from one church to another during the quizzing season unless they are granted permission from the District JBQ coordinator.

For Churches with More than One Team:

Team rosters can be changed for each meet in October-February. Team rosters submitted for the March League meet must remain frozen for the March League and District Finals meets. Quizzers can move up from lower divisions at District Finals, but can't move down without permission of the League and District Coordinators.

Any questions or appeals to these guidelines must be made in writing to the JBQ Coordinator.

Awards

Certificates will be given at each League meet to all teams in each division, and to the top ten individual high scorers in each division.

District Finals

Trophies for first, second, and third place teams in each division, as well as the top ten individual high scorers in each division will be awarded. The top four teams at District Finals in "AA" (Level 3) automatically qualify for the South Central Regional Finals and the top team receives the automatic bid for the National JBQ Festival.

Bible Master Award

Discoverer: Correctly Answer

- 20 out of 30 randomly selected 10-point questions

Searcher: Correctly Answer

- 25 out of 30 randomly selected 10-point questions
- 15 out of 20 randomly selected 20-point questions

Achiever: Correctly Answer

- 28 out of 30 randomly selected 10-point questions
- 18 out of 20 randomly selected 20-point questions
- 6 out of 10 randomly selected 30-point questions

Master: Correctly answer 59 out of 60 questions from the following combination:

- 30 randomly selected 10-point questions
- 20 randomly selected 20-point questions
- 10 randomly selected 30-point questions

Discoverer, Searcher, and Achiever are awarded at the local level and recognized at the District Level during District Finals. The **Master** is awarded and recognized at the national level. Churches are responsible for purchase certificates and or pins from the [My Healthy Church Store](#) and notify the District Coordinator of participants being awarded. The recipient of the completed Bible Master Award will receive a letter of congratulations with the seal. This can be obtained, free of charge, by submitting the award form on the

[National JBQ Website](#) Please fax (417-553-9544) or email (jbq@ag.org) the award form to the Children's Ministries office. Please allow up to four weeks for processing.

NOTE: the easiest way to test for each level of the Bible Master Award is by using the online Bible Fact Pak Question Set Generator: <https://biblefactpak.com>.

Beyond the Bible Master

Beyond the Bible Master Award is an award program for quizzers who have earned the Bible Master Award and are ready to go beyond – to reach the next level or mastery.

Bible Quoter: Quizzers must correctly answer all 95 quotation questions (107 verses) that have been randomly selected from the Bible Fact-Pak. The process for generating questions for the Bible Quoter is the same as above. When selecting the set of questions from www.biblefactpak.com, be sure to select the "Bible Quoter" option.

Bible Excellence: Quizzers must correctly answer at least 571 randomly selected questions from the 576 Bible Fact-Pak questions. This is the only test that does not require a set generated from the biblefactpak.com. The easiest way to administer the Bible Excellence exam is to use either the Study Guide or the Bible Fact Pak (verifying all question are present). The person administering the test should randomly ask all 576 questions in one sitting. Study breaks are not permitted once the exam begins.

Award Application: <http://kidmin.ag.org/resources/JBQ/JBQAwardsForm.pdf>

TESTING INSTRUCTIONS

Bible Master or Beyond the Bible Mast Award

In order to test for the Bible Master Award levels an approved tester should log in to the free Question Set Generator (www.biblefactpak.com) and then head to the page to generate questions. Select "Bible Master Awards" options then select the title that matches the test being administered. A new set of questions that meet the national criteria will be generated.

At no time should the quizzer be allowed to study from or review the set of questions that have been generated for testing.

Each quizzer should have a uniquely generated set of questions prepared for their testing.

Quizzers will be asked questions in the same fashion as if they were in a quiz match, but they are not required to activate any equipment or be identifier before responding. Their response should be evaluated using the same criteria used in a quiz match (for details please see Section 4 "Before the Quiz Meet" in the official JBQ guidelines).

The person administering the test must not be an immediate family member to the person being tested. Breaks, for study, between the first and the last questions are not allowed.

Getting Started with JBQ

1. **Introduce Your Church to Quiz** – Have parents, teachers and children try some of the quiz materials at home, as a supplement to another activity, or in the classroom.
2. **Recruit Adult Sponsors** – For each organized quiz team, you will need two or three adults. One of these will serve as coach who will lead practice sessions, encourage and challenge quizzers and train adults to serve as officials. Other adults will be needed to serve as assistants, drivers, and/or officials.
3. **Recruit Team Members** – Ask permission to present the idea of quiz during Sunday school classes or even to the adults in a Sunday worship service. Have sample questions available to those interested and present quiz as an exciting way to have fun and exciting Bible study.
4. **Register Your Team** – Contact the District JBQ Coordinator Church for information on registration and Leagues in your area. The phone number is 210-689-5062 or online at www.stxkidmin.org.
5. **Order Supplies** – Study materials are available from Gospel Publishing House or My Healthy Church. You will also want to consider an electronic quiz box for practices and for bringing to League competitions. A list of quiz equipment manufacturers is included as well. Most boxes range from \$250 to \$400, but remember that this expense will be applied for more than one year of quizzing.
6. **Begin Practicing** – Quizzing is a structured Bible study program. Set aside time each week to meet with the quizzers and practice the questions with them.

Need more information: visit the National JBQ Website:

<https://kidmin.ag.org/ministries/juniorbiblequiz/overview>.

ELECTRONIC QUIZ EQUIPMENT

Quiz Equipment – Steve Kirkman,; 736 Ashley Dr, Chaska MN 55318
248-398-1161; kirkmans@aol.com; www.quizequipment.com

The Judge Quiz Box – by Electramatic, Inc., 3324 Hiawatha Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55406; 612-781-9588

Grass Lake Assembly of God: <http://grasslakeassembly.org/589994.ihtml>

How to Host A JBQ Meet

Thank you for agreeing to host a JBQ Match at your church. These guidelines are a collection of our experiences. These are by no means mandatory - these are just guidelines. If you have any questions, please call or email your league quiz coordinator, Danielle Guntle at 210-689-5062; JBQ@stxkidmin.org.

One month prior to the meet you are hosting, we need to provide a map and/or directions for teams who are traveling to your area. If your league includes teams that are from out of town, please provide a listing of nearby hotels.

The following rooms need to be set up prior to the morning of the quiz meet.

Orientation Room: We will need one room where we can meet in the morning before quizzing and in the afternoon after quizzing.

- Large Area
 - big enough for all quiz teams, coaches, officials, parents, and spectators
 - can be as large as 8-12 people per team.
- Contact your league coordinator to see how many teams are expected to attend this session.

Registration Area: An area close to the entrance where we can set up registration check in and give important information to the Church Coordinators.

Lunch Sign In: A separate table from registration where parents can pay for their lunch tickets; somewhere preferably close to the Orientation Room.

Scores Room/Table: We will be tallying scores during the day. This area needs:

- a desk or table.
- nearby electrical outlet

Quiz Rooms: Quiz rooms need:

- three tables with chairs
 - o two tables with eight chairs for quizzers
 - o one table with three chairs for officials
- a podium or music-type stand is desired
- at least four chairs behind each quiz table for coaches, substitutes, and helpers.
- additional chairs for spectators
- nearby electrical outlet (most quiz boxes have less than 12' electrical cords)
- Contact your league coordinator to see how many quiz rooms are needed.

Lunch: There will no longer be a designated lunch time during JBQ Meets. Teams are welcome to bring their own lunch and snacks. Teams are welcome to eat lunch after their have finished quiz rounds. Lunch purchased through the hosting church should be available at noon or thereafter for pickup.

*****Closing Ceremony Requests: *****

While final tallying is in progress, we are asking the host churches to buy some time by having a short closing rally just before the Award Ceremony. This would consist of 3 praise and worship songs and a quick 5 min devotional or object lesson. This would also help the kids remember that the B comes before the Q in JBQ.

Clean-Up: Let us know what we need to do to help restore your facility. We recognize that most churches do not have a maintenance staff to restore on Saturday afternoon for church on Sunday. If we can move tables and chairs, it helps to have a map or an inventory (count) of what to leave in the room or move to the hall.

Basic Day Of Schedule:

7:30am	League Coordinator Arrive
8:30am	Team Check In
8:50am	Church Welcome Celebration (Host Church Facilitates) *Officials Meeting
9:00am	Prayer/Quizzing Begins - Led by District Coordinator
1:00pm	Closing Rally/Award Ceremony

2023 - 2024 Quizzing Schedule

Sept.19, 2023	JBQ Coordinators/Coaches/Officials Meeting & Training (via Zoom 7pm)
Oct. 14, 2023	<u>Houston Practice Meet:</u> 10 pt. 1-70; 20 pt. 289-339; 30 pt. 481-504 PeeWee 10pt: 1-55; 20 pt. 289-323
Nov. 4, 2023	<u>San Antonio Practice Meet:</u> 10 pt. 1-140; 20 pt. 289-389; 30 pt. 481-527 PeeWee 10pt: 1-75; 20 pt. 289-336 - First Assembly of God - San Antonio
Jan. 13, 2024	League Meet #1: 10 pt: 1-210; 20 pt. 289-439; 30 pt. 481-550 PeeWee: 10pt: 1-144; 20pt: 289-384
Feb. 3, 2024	League Meet #2: All cards PeeWee: 10pt: 1-144; 20pt: 289-384
March 2, 2024	League Meet #3: All cards PeeWee: 10pt: 1-144; 20pt: 289-384
March 23, 2024	South Texas District Finals - First Assembly of God - San Antonio
April 26-27, 2024	South Central Regional Festival - <i>tentative Dallas, TX</i>
June 6-8, 2024	National Junior Bible Quiz Festival - Griffin, GA

“PeeWee” Division – 10 point and 20 point questions; “A” & “AA” Divisions – all questions

2024 - 2025 Quizzing Schedule - Tentative

Sept. 17, 2024	JBQ Coordinators/Coaches/Officials Meeting & Training (via Zoom 7pm)
Oct. 12, 2024*	<u>Houston Practice Meet:</u> 10 pt. 218-288; 20 pt. 430-480; 30 pt. 553-576 PeeWee 10pt: 145 - 200; 20 pt. 385 - 419
Nov. 2, 2024*	<u>San Antonio Practice Meet:</u> 10 pt. 148-288; 20 pt. 380-480; 30 pt. 536-576 PeeWee 10pt: 145 - 225; 20 pt. 385 - 435 - First Assembly of God - San Antonio
Jan. 11, 2025*	League Meet #1: 10 pt. 1-210; 20 pt. 289-439; 30 pt. 481-550 PeeWee: 10pt: 145 - 288; 20pt: 385 - 480
Feb. 1, 2025*	League Meet #2: All cards PeeWee: 10pt: 145 - 288; 20pt: 385 - 480
March 1, 2025*	League Meet #3: All cards PeeWee: 10pt: 145 - 288; 20pt: 385 - 480
March 22, 2025*	South Texas District Finals
April 2025*	South Central Regional Festival
June 2025*	National Junior Bible Quiz Festival

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* Dates are not finalized.