

Awana®

Grades 6-8

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW



Trek™

Lesson Titles and Sequence



Each year of Trek begins with the *Trek Check* booklet that clearly explains the salvation message and gospel truths.

What is Trek?

Trek® is the 3-year Awana® program for middle school students. This new program challenges students to wrestle with the three most important questions they're asking in middle school. By allowing students to dive deep into the Scriptures through verse memorization and study, we allow them to own their faith and discover what they believe.



His Story

Helps middle school students understand God's story and answers the question, "Who am I?"



His Love

Focuses on Jesus and His ministry as told through the Gospel of Luke and answers the question, "Why am I here?"



His People

Focuses on biblical community as told through the book of Acts and answers the question, "Who's with me?"

EACH BOOK INCLUDES:

4

Units

28

Lessons

4

Unit Reviews

38+

Memory Verses

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His Story



UNIT 1: CREATION

Before the Beginning Began
Out of Nothing
Imago Dei: I Am Special
Boundaries: I Am Limited
Male & Female: I'm Not Alone
Dominion: I Have Things to Do
Everything Was Good

UNIT 2: THE FALL

The Adversary
Temptation
Sin
Hiding From God
The Wreckage
Expelled
Shedding Blood

UNIT 3: REDEMPTION

Noah
Abraham and Isaac
Moses
David
Emmanuel
The Christ
Resurrection

UNIT 4: CONSUMMATION

The Ascension
The Church
Saul of Tarsus
Already, but Not Yet
He's Coming Back!
Rewards
New Heaven/New Earth

His Love



UNIT 1: SUBMIT

Path to Greatness
The Storytelling Servant
Servants With Dreams
What Servants Expect
Servants in the Wild
Tempted to Serve Another
Risky Servanthood

UNIT 2: SERVANT

Recognizing Needs
Called to Serve
Bringing Your Friends to Jesus
Serving People, Not Rules
Attitudes of a Servant
Serving Our Enemies
Servants Respond to Requests

UNIT 3: SACRIFICE

Fearless Servants
Impossible Service
Fully Committed Service
Sent to Serve
The Worry-Free Servant
Servants Go Public
His Servants Praise Him

UNIT 4: SUFFERING

Servants Are Humble
Servants Bear Injustice With Honor
Servants Are Fully Committed
Our Service Matters
God Resurrects His Servants
Servants Talk About It
Servants Wait — and Don't Wait

His People



UNIT 1: INCEPTION

The Promise of Power
The Spirit Arrives
Powerful and Dangerous
Church Life: Devoted to the Word
Church Life: Eat and Pray
Church Life: Awesome Signs
Church Life: What's Mine Is Yours

UNIT 2: CONTAGION

Contagious
Righteous Rebellion
More Disciples, More Servants
Setting the Story Straight
Willing to Run, Willing to Die
Free Power
Philip and the Ethiopian

UNIT 3: TRANSFORMATION

From Villain to Hero
Change You Can Trust
Even the Gentiles?
Surprised by Yes
Heading Out
Can't We All Just Get Along?
The Unknown God

UNIT 4: CONNECTION

A Little Help
Clinging Only to Truth
One More Thing
Final Report
Family Ties
Never Ever Alone
Friends That Won't Quit

Every unit ends with a review section.

Choose the product solution that best fits each student's needs.



272 pages

Complete Handbook

This expanded handbook is ideal for students who are familiar with Scripture, earning Awana awards, or generally want more challenging lessons.

- Weekly Verse Memorization
- 32 Lessons
- Discussion Questions
- Daily Devotionals
- Deeper Scripture Content
- Award and Scholarship Eligibility



80 pages

Essentials Handbook

This abridged handbook is ideal for students beginning in their faith journey, visitors, outreach programs, or anyone who needs a simplified way to engage in Trek lessons.

- Weekly Verse Memorization
- 32 Lessons
- 2 Discussion Questions Per Week

What's Inside: Complete Handbook

Key Thought and Word

The Key Thought summarizes the lesson, and Key Words boost students' spiritual vocabulary.

Activity

Students start with an activity that draws them into the lesson.

Track Progress

Track students' progress through sections.

Scripture Engagement

Bible passages, Key Verses (memory verses), and expanded commentary guide students deeper into Scripture.

Student Response

Devotional prompts and Work It Out questions help students respond to the lesson.

Awards and Scholarships

The complete handbook is eligible for Awana awards and scholarships.



What's Inside: Essentials Handbook

Concise Lesson

Fits the entire lesson on two pages so it's easy to follow.

Activity

Begins with the same weekly introductory activity as the complete handbook.

Individual Pacing

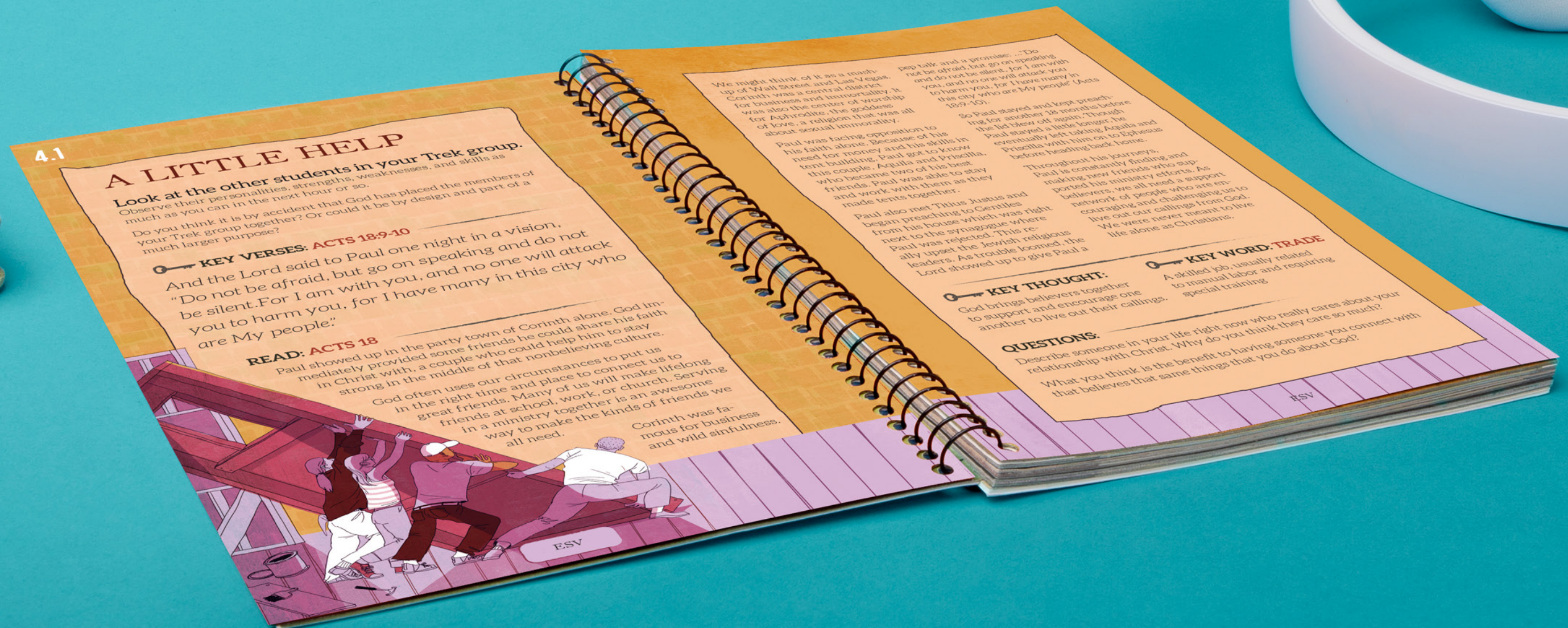
Simplified lesson content helps students who are young in their faith participate at their own pace.

Key Verses, Thought, and Word

Each lesson has the same Key Verses (memory verses), Key Thought, and Key Word as the complete handbook.

Discussion Questions

Two questions help students process the lesson and participate in discussions.



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A LITTLE HELP

Look at the other students in your Trek group. Observe their personalities, strengths, weaknesses, and skills as much as you can in the next hour or so.

Do you think it is by accident that God has placed the members of your Trek group together? Or could it be by design and part of a much larger purpose?

KEY VERSES: ACTS 18:9-10

And the Lord said to Paul one night in a vision, "Do not be afraid, but go on speaking and do not be silent. For I am with you, and no one will attack you to harm you, for I have many in this city who are My people."

READ: ACTS 18

Paul showed up in the party town of Corinth alone. God immediately provided some friends he could share his faith in Christ with, a couple who could help him to stay strong in the middle of that nonbelieving culture.

God often uses our circumstances to put us in the right time and place to connect us to great friends. Many of us will make lifelong friends at school, work, or church. Serving in a ministry together is an awesome way to make the kinds of friends we all need.

Corinth was famous for business and wild sinfulness.

We might think of it as a mash-up of Wall Street and Las Vegas. Corinth was a central place not for business and immorality, it was also the center of worship for Aphrodite, the goddess of love, a religion that was all about sexual immorality.

Paul was facing opposition to his faith alone. Because of his need for money and his skills in tent building, Paul got to know this couple, Aquila and Priscilla, who became two of his best friends. Paul was able to stay and work with them as they made tents together.

Paul also met Titius Justus and began preaching to Gentiles from his house which was right next to the synagogue where Paul was rejected. This really upset the Jewish religious leaders. As trouble loomed, the Lord showed up to give Paul a

pep talk and a promise. "Do not be afraid, but go on speaking and do not be silent, for I am with you, and no one will attack you to harm you, for I have many in this city who are My people" (Acts 18:9-10).

So Paul stayed and kept preaching for another 18 months before he had to get out again. Through Paul stayed a little longer, he eventually left taking Aquila and Priscilla with him on to Ephesus before heading back home.

Throughout his journeys, Paul is constantly finding and making new friends who supported his ministry efforts. As believers, we all need a support network of people who are encouraging and challenging us to live out our callings from God. We were never meant to live life alone as Christians.

KEY THOUGHT:

God brings believers together to support and encourage one another to live out their callings.

KEY WORD: TRADE

A skilled job, usually related to manual labor and requiring special training.

QUESTIONS:

Describe someone in your life right now who really cares about your relationship with Christ. Why do you think they care so much?
What do you think is the benefit to having someone you connect with that believes that same things that you do about God?

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What's Inside: Leader Resources

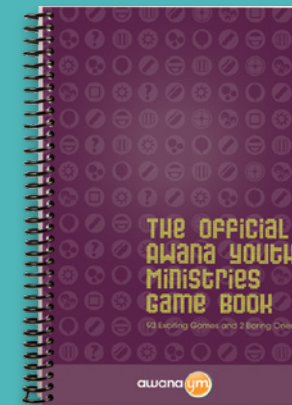
Great
for
You



Large Group Guide

- Lesson overview and recommended objectives
- Service project ideas and suggestions from the Awana Youth Ministries™ game book
- Editable presentation slides
- Lesson application prompts

Additional Trek Products



Game Book

Packed with a variety of interesting indoor and outdoor games to keep your students engaged!

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Parent Guide

(PDF Download)

These give parents a snapshot of the weekly Trek lesson plus questions to discuss as a family. It's also great for homeschooling!

gettrek.org/parent-guides



Leader Development Resources

Training materials equip you and your team to effectively lead your Trek program.

awana.org/leadership-development/training

Great
for
Your
Team



Small Group Discussion Guide

- One-page lesson overview
- Small group facilitation ideas and two questions for each lesson
- Includes the daily devotion for leaders to complete and discuss with students

Connect Your Awana YM® Students With Scholarship Opportunities

Many colleges and universities reward Awana achievement. See the list of schools in our scholarship network and learn more!

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Why Choose Awana?

Awana fits your context. The same ministry sharing hope in over 120 countries can adapt to your setting, volunteer force, and budget. Our programs for ages 2-18 are proven. We reach more than four million children weekly! Awana also equips great leaders like you. Together, we're helping generations know, love and serve Jesus Christ.

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