# PRIMARY THREE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION LESSON NOTES

# **FOR**

# **TERM 111**

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WEEK1: Lesson 1

### FORGIVENESS AND ACCEPTANCE

1. What is forgiveness?

Forgiveness means stopping being angry with some body for something he/she has done wrong.

2. If you want somebody to stop being angry with you, say, "please forgive me" or "please, am sorry."

### 3. Traditional ways of encouraging forgiveness

- Paying a fine i.e. a cock, goat etc.
- Sharing a meal.
- Saying sorry to a person wronged.
- Using another person (mediator) to reconcile the two people friends again.
- Re-accepting the offender into the family.

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WEEK1: Lesson 2

### 1. Reasons why we need to forgive

We need to forgive others because:

- God also forgives us
- Everybody makes mistakes
- Forgiveness helps us to live and work together happily
- Forgiveness prevents bad out comes like hatred, fighting etc.
- It serves as a lesson to the person forgiven to also forgive others who wrong him/her.
- Jesus showed us an example when he forgave those who hated him.

### 2. Examples of people who forgave one another in the Bible

- Jacob and Esau(Genesis33:1-11)
- Joseph and his brothers(Genesis45:1-5)
- King Darius and Daniel (Daniel 6:13-23)
- The prodigal son and his father(Luke 15:11-31)

### WEEK2: Lesson 1

### Resolving misunderstanding without violence

- 1. To resolve means to find a solution or an answer to a problem.
- 2. The word violence means an act of using physical force e.g. fighting.
- 3. How Jesus teaches about resolving misunderstanding without violence

(Matthew 18:15-16)

### Steps:

- Solve it in private with a person who has wronged you.
- If the person does not listen, take/call other two people.
- If he/she does not listen to the two, take it to the church (group).
- If he/she does not listen to the church (group) take the case to LC or court.

### WEEK2: Lesson 2

### 1. Causes of misunderstandings/violence

- Physical differences e.g. height, colour and body shape.
- Religious differences e.g. some are Catholics, Protestants, Pentecostals etc.
- Cultural differences e.g. Buganda, Acholi, Karamajong.
- Racial differences e.g. the black and white.
- Home differences e.g. the rich and the poor.
- Differences in education.



- 2. We are all God's children regardless of our differences.
- 3. We should accept and be tolerant to other peoples' differences to live peacefully.

### 4. Ways of accepting and tolerating other peoples' differences

- Loving and caring for one another.
- Over looking our differences
- Praying together
- Sharing time of sorrow and joy
- Knowing that we are all God's children

### WEEK3: Lesson 1

### **TOPICAL TEST**

- 1. What should you do after annoying a friend?
- 2. Name any two traditional ways of encouraging forgiveness.
- 3. Give two reasons why we should forgive others.
- 4. What lesson do we learn from the parable of the lost son?
- 5. Name one group of people who forgave one another.
- 6. Mention any two differences that exist among people.
- 7. Which prophet was thrown in the lion's den?

### WEEK3: Lesson 2

### TREATING OTHERS FAIRLY

1. Being fair means treating each person equally.

### 2. Unfairness is the opposite of fairness.

### 2. Common examples of fair behaviour

- Marking all pupils' books and awarding right marks.
- Allowing all family members to have meals.
- Buying clothes to all children in a family.
- Punishing all late comers at school.

### 4. Common examples of unfairness

- Marking some pupil's books and leaving others unmarked.
- Punishing some late comers and leaving others unpunished.
- Forcing an adult to follow a certain religion.
- Buying clothes for children and leaving others.
- Giving food to some children and starving others.

### WEEK4: Lesson 1

### 1. Results of fair behavior.

- Bring happiness to people.
- It pleases God.
- It solves mis-understandings.
- It brings God's blessing.
- It brings unity among people in the family.

### 2. Results of unfair behavior

Fighting

- Hatred
- Unhappiness
- Quarreling
- Revenge
- Annoying God
- Curses
- Spread of diseases among the people

### WEEK4: Lesson 2

### 1. Reasons why some people behave unfairly

- Too much love for money.
- Failure to obey God's commandments.
- Need to please one person/group of people.
- Failure to know the right way of doing things.
- Too much love for success.
- Failure to listen to advice.
- Need to revenge.
- Failure to follow the rules and laws.

### 2. Ways how you can act fairly

- Doing what you wish others to do for you.
- Being God fearing.
- Doing things according to the set rules or laws.
- Doing good to those who have wronged you.
- Reporting unfair people to authorities.
- Pray to God to help you act fairly.
- Pray to God to change unfair people into fair ones.

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WEEK5: Lesson 1

### How John the Baptist teaches us to be fair

(Luke 3:10-13)

John the Baptist teaches us the following:

- To share with others.
- Not to collect money (tax) more than what the Law requires.
- Not to take away ones money by force.
- To be contented of our pay.

WEEK5: Lesson 2

### Cheating

1. What is cheating?

It means to take away something from somebody dishonestly or unfairly.

### 2. Forms of cheating

- Not giving back balance/change to your parents after buying something.
- Getting answers from a book, paper or friend in exams.
- Exchanging a bad pencil or pen with another person without his/ her knowledge.
- Exchanging cards in a play.
- Embezzling company/church funds.
- Diverting school fees to buying personal needs.

### WEEK6: Lesson 1

### Examples of people who cheated in the Bible

### a)Jacob;

- Cheated his brother, Esau's blessing .(Genesis27:1-33)
- He also cheated his uncle, Laban's flock.(Genesis3:31-43)

### b)Judas Iscariot;

- He used to cheat church funds (John12:1-6)
- He was bribed for 30 silver pieces to betray Jesus.(Matthew26:14-16)

### c) The sons of priest Eli:

• Used to cheat God's offerings.(1Samuel2:12-17)

### WEEK6: Lesson 2

### 1. Reasons why cheating is bad

- It is against God's commandments.
- It stops some people from being successful.
- People do not trust a cheat.
- Cheating is punishable
- It leads to curses
- It stops God's blessing i.e. God does not bless a cheat
- Cheats will not go to heaven

### 2. Ways how you can avoid cheating

- Following God's commandments.
- Avoid being money greed.
- Respect rules and laws of an area or place.
- Report cheats to police, teachers or parents.



Work hard for success.

### WEEK7:Lesson1

### **TOPICAL TEST**

- 1. Mention two examples of unfair behaviour.
- 2. Give two reasons why some people behave unfairly.
- 3. How does John the Baptist teach us about fairness in Luke 3:10-13
- 4. What is cheating?
- 5. Identify two forms of cheating.
- 6. Who cheated his brother's blessing in the book of Genesis?
- 7. Give two reasons why some people cheat.
- 8. Give two reasons why cheating is a bad act.
- 9. What can you do to a person who cheats an examination?

### WEEK7: Lesson 2

### **JESUS BRINGS JOY**

### **Old prophesies about Jesus**

The following were fore told about Jesus' birth and were true:

- That Jesus was to be born by a virgin woman. (Isaiah7:14)
- That Jesus would be born in a small town called Bethlehem.(Micah5:2)
- That he would be born in the lineage of King David.(Luke2:4)
- That Jesus would be a saviour for all people.

### **Preparation for Christmas**

- 1. Jesus was born on the first Christmas.
- 2. Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ on 25<sup>th</sup> December every year.



WEEK8: Lesson 2

### Meaning of different names

a) Jesus; The savour

b)Emmanuel: God is with us

C) Peter: A rock

d))Abraham: Father of many nations

e)Sarah; Mother of many nations

f)Jacob: A liar or a cheat

### **TOPICAL TEST**

1. On which day do Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ?

- 2. In which town was Jesus Christ born?
- 3. Name three things you do during Christmas season.
- 4. Why Jesus was called the saviour?
- 5. Who was Jesus' mother?
- 6, Give two ways in which Jesus fulfilled what was said about him by the old prophets?

"Merry X-mass"

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