

Let's start 'TALKING'...

Intergenerational
conversation starters
for your church

Shaping Faith

About:

We were created with the ability and need to communicate and connect in meaningful ways with those around us. Building safe places, authentic relationships and intergenerational connections all start with simple conversations. It's getting to know those you are working with and most importantly the children in your community.

Sometimes talking to children and each other can feel daunting. That is why we have developed these question sets, to give you a spring board for starting those conversations in your church, home and school. The weekly challenge is to pick up one question set and talk to someone you have not talked to before. Let's start a talking.

What you will need:

- Let's Start 'a' Conversation... printable pattern
- Printer
- A4 paper or card
- Scissors
- Jar or bowl



Getting Started:

Download and print the 'Let's start 'talking' printable pattern from children.adventist.org.au. If you want you can write your own questions relevant to your kids and your church on the blank template page or use the question sets provided. One day at Sabbath School have the class cut out, decorate and fold the question sets to place in a jar or bowl. Have the jar or bowl placed in a visible place in your church foyer.

Have your class do the welcome and introduce the 'Let's start 'talking' idea during the church welcome. Challenge all the adults in your church to take a card and use the questions as a way to start a conversation with kids in the congregation.

Want more? 'Table Talk Tins' are designed to help your family talk naturally at the table about spiritual things and give you quality time connecting with each other. To find out more visit children.adventist.org.au

Tell me about something that makes you smile.

What is the worst thing about being ____ years old?

If you could change one thing in the world what would you change?

If you could ask God anything, what would you ask?

Is there anything you are looking forward to?

If you could do anything today what would you do?

If you had your very own plane where would you go?

If you could meet a Bible character who would you want to meet?

What is your favorite holiday?
Why?

Who is your best friend?
Tell me about them

If you could have a superpower what would it be? Why?

What would job would you like to have when you grow up?

What is the best thing about being ____ years old?

If you had to teach a class for a day, what subject would you teach?

What person would you like to meet and why?

Snow or rain?

What is your favorite food?

What has been the happiest day of your life?

Where did you see God this week?

What would you do with your time if all electronics were taken away?

Does God love you?
How do you know?

What is one thing you prayed for this week?

If you could only eat three foods for the rest of your life what would they be?

If you could paint all the rooms in the church a different colour what colour would you paint each room?

If you found a \$10 note on the ground what would you do with it?

If you could have a superpower what would it be? Why?

If you could make a movie what would it be about?

If you could meet a Bible character who would you want to meet?

Tell me your favorite joke.

Where in the world would you like to go most?

If your pet could answer three questions, what would you ask him/her?

How can you show someone that they are special to you?

What is the best thing about being ____ years old?

If you had to teach a class for a day, what subject you teach?

What person would you like to meet and why?

If you could stay up all night, what would you do?

What would you do if you saw someone making fun of another person?

If you could ask God one question, what would it be?

If you could have dinner with anyone from the Bible who would it be? Why?

What is the most beautiful place that you have ever seen?

What is your favorite Bible story? Why?

Do you feel like you are a leader of a follower?

What would you do if school was canceled and you could do anything?

If you could have dinner with anyone from history who would you have dinner with and why?

How would you describe yourself to someone who has never met you?

Who is your favorite teacher?
Why?

What is the nicest thing
someone did for you today?

If you could be an Olympic
athlete, in what sport would
you compete?

You are going to be alone
on a desert island for a year
and you get to take one
book and one DVD what one
would you take?

Which person in your family
do you most look like?

Would you rather dive off a
high cliff into the ocean or
give a book report to 500
people?

What are the three best
words to describe you? What
are the three best words to
describe your other family
members?

If you could have three
wishes what would they be?
(you can't wish for money or
more wishes)

If you could ask God one
question, what would it be?

What is the the nicest thing
you did for someone else
today?

What is the most important
thing in your life right now?

If you could be any animal
what would you be?

What is the most courageous
thing you have ever done?

How would you describe
Jesus?

What makes you worry the
most?

What's the one thing you
want people to remember
about you?

If you could have any animal
as a pet what would you
choose?

What would you do if school
was cancelled and you
could do anything?

If you could tell God one
thing what would you tell
Him?

What is the most important
thing people need to know
about God?

What is one food you can never bring yourself to eat?

What do you think makes people laugh?

What season do you like the best? Why?

What is your most embarrassing moment?

What is the sound you love the most? Why?

If you could have one prayer answered right now what would it be?

If you could pick a new first name what would it be?

If you could have one bible character as a friend, who would you choose?

What is more important to you, what you say or how you say it?

Do you prefer zigzags or polka dots?

When you were little what did you want to be when you grew up?

What is the scariest thing you have ever done?

What person do you wish you saw more often than you do?

If you had to leave the earth in a spaceship and you could take four friends with you, who would you take?

What feeling do you like the least? Why?

What do you like best about your church?

What is your favorite thing about coming to Church?

If you were given \$1,000 to use to help people, how would you use it?

If you ask God one thing today what would you ask?

What would you say to God if here where sitting here with us?

If you could help with one thing at church what would it be?

What is something you want to learn? Why?

What would you do if you were a King or a Queen?

What do you think Jesus was like as boy?

What kind of cookies are your favorite?

What is the best meal that your mum/dad cooks?

If you had to lose a sense for a week what one would you lose? Why?

If you could have one Bible character as a friend, who would you choose?

What is more important to you, what you say or how you say it?

What is your favorite sport?

If you had one chance to travel back in time where would you go?

What is the scariest thing you have ever done?

Do you know how much your family loves you? How can you tell?

What is the most fun thing you have done this week?

What is one thing you prayed about today?

If drinking fountains offered other flavours other than water what would you choose?

What do you think is your greatest talent or ability?

If you could change one thing about church what would you change?

If you could be invisible for a day, what would you watch?

What is your favorite place to be in the world?

What do you think an angel does all day?

What do you think heaven will be like?

Would you rather be a great: musician, athlete, scientist, politician or writer?

If you could fly, where would you go and what would you see?

What are your most and least favorite subjects at school? Why?

What do kids know more about than adults?

When you are having a bad day, what do you do to feel better?

Why do you think God created families?

What are you learning about God at the moment?

What is your favorite song?

What is your favorite smell in the whole world?

What do you think is the greatest invention of all time?

If you had to give humans one quality, what would you give them?

If snow could fall in any flavour what flavour would you choose?

Using one word how would you describe your family?

What planet would you like to visit most? Why?

Do you ever talk to yourself? When and what do you say?

What is the best dessert in the world?

How will you know when you are 'grown-up'?

What is your favorite time of day? Why?

Write your own:

What is the best way to spend a rainy day?

If you could do anything for your birthday what would you do?

Do you want to have a family of your own one day? Why or why not?

Why do you think God loves us so much?

What is your biggest challenge at school right now?

What is the best dream you have had recently?

If you were asked to organise a class field trip, where would you take them?

If you could be someone else for a day who would you be?

What is the most courageous thing you have ever done?

What is one dream you have for the future?

Who is the funniest person you know?

What is your favorite Bible story and what do you like best about it?

If you could write a book what kind of story would it be?

What gifts or talents has God given you?

What do you want to be when you grow up?

Write your own:
