

SWORD DRILL

Use the poster of **Ephesians 6: 17**. Here the Bible is called the “Sword of the Spirit” because we use it to fight the Devil. A sword is kept in a sheath hung from a belt at hip level. These commands are used:

Sheath swords: hold your closed Bible at hip level

Draw swords: lift closed Bibles high above your head

Charge: Bibles are lowered for use

Now have a competition to see who can find a Bible verse first. Give the commands ‘sheath swords’ and ‘draw swords’ and then tell the Juniors the verse to find. The Juniors repeat this several times before the “charge” command is given. (Confine the verses to the Gospels until the order of the Bible books is familiar then gradually learn more of the New Testament order.) When a Junior finds a verse, s/he stands up. When several, or all, are standing, ask a Junior to read out the verse clearly. Help those with most need and encourage the more able to help others too. Comment briefly on the verse meaning if required.

Electronic Bible apps could also be used for this! Keep the competition fair.

