

Car Games!

CAT IN THE WINDOW!

ANIMALS COUNT IN THIS GAME. Some count only a few points & others a great deal. Here's how the game goes:

TWO PERSONS PLAY, with each player counting animals on his side of the road. Set a time limit for the game. The player with the highest score wins.

MOST ANIMALS COUNT 10 POINTS. You are in luck if you see a cat in a window. It counts 100 points; so does a white horse or a donkey.

STORY TELLER THIS ONE'S FUN because you don't know where it will lead! Pick someone to start telling a story—one he knows or one he makes up on the spot. Then when he reaches a place in the story where something strange or exciting is about to happen he calls "HALT!"

AT THAT POINT, THE NEXT PERSON picks up the story & continues it. When he reaches an exciting place he calls "Halt!" & so forth.

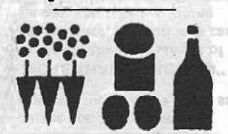


ALPHABET DERBY AS YOU DRIVE ALONG THE ROAD, LOOK FOR SIGNS & WORDS along the highway.

When you see a word that begins with A, say it aloud. Then the person next to you tries to find a word that begins with B, then C, D & so on thru' the alphabet. **SEE HOW LONG IT TAKES** you to go all the way to Z. The words must be in alphabetical order. You'll have to look hard for the letters Q, X & Z! (Ed.: Try thinking of *Biblical* names & places beginning with A,B,C etc.!) (Or songs & verses!—Dad)



GEOGRAPHIC SPELLING BEE **HOW MANY NAMES OF CITIES CAN YOU SPELL?** In this game the 1st player spells the name of a city, then the next player has to spell the name of a city beginning with the last letter of the one just spelled. **IF THE 1ST PLAYER SPELLS PARIS,** the 2nd player must spell the name of a city beginning with an "S". The player who can't think of a city when it's his turn must drop out of the game.



SHOPPING **HERE'S A CHANCE TO TEST YOUR MEMORY.** The 1st player says, "I went to the grocery store today & I bought some oranges." The 2nd player repeats exactly what the 1st player said & adds another item. **THE 3RD PLAYER REPEATS WHAT THE 1ST 2 PLAYERS SAID** & adds another item, & so on. If you forget an item,

you're out of the game.

GO TOGETHERS **TEST YOUR THINKING ABILITY** in naming the direct opposite of the word called by the other person, or the word that's usually associated with the other word.

THERE ARE LOTS OF SUCH WORD COMBINATIONS we use every day—rain/shine, butter/bread, walk/run, summer/winter etc. You have 2 seconds to answer. The player giving the most answers in that time period wins.

FIRST ONE TO SEE

ALL THE PLAYERS IN THIS GAME AGREE upon one subject (it might be a bridge, a color, a barn, a dog etc.) which they are likely to see along the way. The 1st one to see the chosen subject & report it to the others gets 1 point.

IF 2 PLAYERS SEE THE SUBJECT at the same time, it is a tie; & they each get a ½ point. The 1st player to get 10 points for seeing the most objects 1st wins the game. (Play it ABC too!)



SAFETY **EVERY DAY YOU SEE MOTORISTS, PEDESTRIANS & BICYCLISTS** conduct themselves in unsafe ways. Their carelessness could be dangerous or harmful to themselves or others. See how observant you can be by conducting your own safety contest.

EACH PERSON LOOKS FOR UNSAFE CONDUCT by others. When an unsafe act is spotted, point it out to Mom & Dad.

A Mother's Prayer

by Seek, Real Mother of 6!

All around there's a hush
As little ones sleep,
I feel I must pray
As my thoughts are so deep.
My heart is heavy
But not in despair
My thoughts are now serious
That I must take care.
Many years already
Have now come & gone.
Life is so short,
It seems but a song:
The first verse tells
That life has begun
This verse is so simple
And easily sung.
For a child to trust
Is a natural thing
As they behold His face
And continue to sing.
But when you're a parent
You're a child no more.
Now life seems more serious
Than ever before.

And now Lord, as I realize
What the future holds,
Help me guide their lives
And their spirits to mold.
Help me to live each day
Reflecting your love,
Your faith, your grace
And great strength from above.
Help me to live the vision
That we haven't much time,
That each minute wasted
With them is a crime.
We must work while we can,
While it is still day,
For night soon is coming
And does not delay.
They'll need to be strong,
To stand on their own,
Even tho' they're still children
And not yet full grown.
O Lord, You must help me!
It is such a great thing!
I stand on Your promises,
To Your Word now I cling.

Rebuke, Lord, the forces
That try to withhold
Your truth from these children,
Help them to be bold!
Give a portion of Your Spirit
As never before.
They'll need it, Lord Jesus,
To still the great roar!
Implant in their hearts
The truths of Your Word
Which someday will rise
And divide like a sword.
Help us lay aside every weight
And sins that beset
And run with patience this race
Till Your eyes we have met.
Now sleep on, precious lil' ones,
There's rest for your souls.
The Lord is our Father
And He's in control.
And tomorrow altho'
We laugh, sing and play
We'll take time to prepare
For that soon coming day.
—Seek Farmer; Spain.



Jason-8, Sherah-6, Steven-4 & Patricia-1½ of Seek & Secundus. (Photo taken last summer.)

"Thank You" To Parents!

by SARA DAVIDITO

9 Feb. 1980

WITH HAPPY HEARTS & A BIG BOOST OF VISION & RENEWED INSIGHT, both Maria & I went to thank each of you parents & helpers who wrote a response in reply to the "Our Children" Questionnaire, some responses of which we have printed for all. We were pleasantly surprised & happy to read that most of you parents were filled with love & gratitude for all the Lord has done in your lives & those of your children, even in spite of the expected hardships & trials that we all endure as soldiers of Jesus Christ.

WE JUST CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH for pouring out your hearts & sharing with us your innermost burdens & personal situations! Lord help us now to try our best to be of help to you in our writing & research work for our now over 2,500 children in our big worldwide Family, Praise the Lord!

WE ARE IN THE PROCESS NOW OF RESEARCHING SEVERAL NEW SUBJECTS that have come up in question from your replies to this childcare questionnaire. Those of you who have asked whether you could be of help in summarizing certain books you read which have been a great help to you, or those of you who have a few ideas for childcare publications & would like to submit them for possible use, please do send your summaries & pubs to the FN Madrid address, in care of Sara D. Of course, we cannot use everything submitted, but just as we are trying to get out the most helpful tips from what childcare books we have read, in our writings & in compiled pubs, we may be able to use some of what is sent in. All of your ideas & suggestions are being considered & the Lord is really using your help & prayers in provoking our better works & fruits in childcare publications, PTL!

YOU'LL BE SEEING SOON, LORD WILLING, MORE NEW MAGS OF MO LETTER KOMIX for your children & GP audiences, as well as several new baby care classes, Bible prophecy, flannelgraphs, music & puppet classes from Family Care & lots more Ditos & Techis, PTL!

AND HOW WOULD YOU ALL LIKE A GLP CHILDCARE BOOK published for parents—all the best of our childcare pubs & classes—in one paperback book, including all the Ditos, Techis, FC classes etc., for parents? Keep praying, we're working on it! It all takes a lot of prayer & time, just like raising children, but our childcare pubs have rolled like never before in the past two years due to Dad & Maria's genuine concern for each &

everyone of you, & their faithfully feeding you God's Words. God bless them!

THE FC TEAM OF PAUL & TERRY T., SARAH I. & ZEBULUN G. (artist) & mates have now completed over 200 pages of Komix & childcare classes & are now working on continuing the "Language With a Purpose" program of ML helps & grammar school activities. They're also indexing the Davidito Story.—More flannelgraphs & teaching aids also on the way! Please keep this precious team in your prayers as these six parents have 11 children with no other help & are faithfully getting out the Words in abundance every month, God bless them!

OUR FIELD ARTISTS ARE CONTINUING TO POUR IN KIDS KOMIX, NOW CALLED TRUE KOMIX, the condensed & illustrated Letters for our children!—Over 150 pages now completed & ready for print! You'll be receiving soon several new chapters on our little angel Techis, almost 11 months old, & we are finding out now that little "Angels" are not always "Angels"—Hal! She's a rascal sometimes, but a beautiful one, & you'll love hearing about her as we love telling you about her too. Grandpa says she is in love with Davidito!

IN SOME AREAS OF THE WORLD YOU ARE ALSO ABLE TO OBTAIN THE BOOKS SO FAR RECOMMENDED in the FN Reading List. Because many other countries are not able to get the books so easily in their languages, we are hoping to work more extensively on book summaries for reproduction in our own pubs, D.V. Keep praying!

MANY PARENTS MENTIONED THAT THO' THEY DO NOT HAVE LOTS OF EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, equipment etc., for their babies & children, they do feel they are meeting their kids' physical & spiritual needs to the best of their ability at this present time. Please let me explain that in our writings about Davidito we never intended to stress the physical & material needs in his life as a major part in his training at all.

THE TRUTH IS, THAT BECAUSE WE HAVE HAD TO MOVE SO MANY TIMES so frequently, we only have room to carry one flea suitcase of school materials for both David & Davida. And our children have had to forsake all perhaps many more times than many of your children because of our frequent moves. But they do so willingly, God bless them, & for that reason the Lord blesses them many times with gifts from others in new locations.

AS FAR AS SCHOOLING GOES, WE ARE ALWAYS REVIEWING THE BASICS & trying to squeeze in school time whenever possible. But with such a busy schedule, like all you other moms around the world, I never feel like I am always doing my best or getting in every bit of what David should & could be learning.

DAVID'S BEEN SO HUNGRY FOR NOTHING BUT THE WORD FOR OVER A YEAR NOW, it's even hard to keep his interest in anything other than the straight King James Bible, Bible flannelgraphs, Bible Story books & tapes & activities (workbooks, art etc.). Thank the Lord he was so hungry to learn at an early age, for now he is already learning such important spiritual lessons & hungering for the Word, that I am sure in a short time he will be ready for much more mature responsibilities & experiences in life.

MANY OF YOU HAVE ASKED FOR NEWS OF OUR PRESENT SITUATION. I am caring full-time for both David-5 & Davida, our little girl of almost 4, & have been since little Techis was born, when sweet Dora began caring for her. David & Davida are as opposite in character as they are in looks.—Hal! And I am learning so many lessons in trying to teach & train & care for them both, that I can much more easily relate to many

of you parents' situations on the field. **ALONG WITH MANY OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES** that I, & all of us, have in Dad's house, it's still my major responsibility to put the children first, & not always easy with such a busy schedule full of household jobs, our writings, correspondence, phone calls, counselling & caring for our dear King & Queen.

ONE MAJOR THING YOUR ADVISORY RESPONSES DID was encourage my heart that I am "not the only one" who feels I'm often incapable or not finding the time to give my all to our children. But that's the life of a busy mom! The best we can do is try our best, PTL! It's fun trying, I love it!

WE LOVE YOU & HOPE THIS LITTLE BIT OF NEWS HAS ENCOURAGED YOUR HEARTS as much as you have encouraged ours with your beautiful responses. Love & prayers from us here. Please know that we have prayed specifically for each of your situations we've read about & are keeping you in our prayers & hearts daily as we continue in our service & ministry for our children around the world.

ALL I WANTED TO SAY WAS A GREAT BIG THANK YOU from all of us to you & your children—for everything! Love in Jesus, Sara D.

IN THIS ISSUE YOU WILL FIND PAGES OF BIBLE VERSES

to be used as aids in your personal & family memory time. They may be left as they are, in complete pages, or you might want to cover each of the pages with clear contact paper to strengthen & make them more durable, then cut on the solid lines to separate the verses. The verses can be kept in a small "Bible Treasure Chest", "Daily Bread" or "Precious Promises" box & reviewed at wake-up, meal or bedtime, etc. Try to think up fun ways of using them in games with the family. Categorize them by faith, healing, comfort, prayer, salvation, etc., & add your own favourite verses.

YOU GROW BY FEEDING ON THE WORD OF GOD CONTINUALLY, the cure for all life's problems. Many people struggle thru' life needlessly, when only a little more time spent with God's Word would

bring the peace, faith & happiness they seek.

SO HIDE THE WORD FAITHFULLY IN YOUR HEART that you may be kept by the power of God & comforted in difficult times now & in the future & that you may be able to comfort others with the comfort wherewith you are comforted. Love, Maria. (More verses to follow in another issue, D.V.)

RECOMMENDED BOOK!

"THE PICTURE BIBLE" published by David C. Cook Publishing Co., Elgin, Illinois, U.S.A. 60120. The entire Bible in comic strip form. Good quality hard-bound volume, about \$10. Suggest it as a gift to all your children from grandparents etc.

IT'S ALSO IN SPANISH: "La Biblia Ilustrada a Toda Color"; Ed-

itorial Bruguera, S.A.; Barcelona, Bogota, Buenos Aires, Caracas, Mexico City. 4 hardbound volumes @ 350 pesetas (in Spain).

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