

Rolling with Joy

Age Level: ★★

Always be full of joy in the Lord. I say it again—rejoice! Let everyone see that you are considerate in all you do. Remember, the Lord is coming soon. Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus. PHILIPPIANS 4:4–7

What It's All About

God wants everyone to rejoice and live in peace with one another. Have fun making this a rolling reminder of joy. Make a rolling cylinder and put a child inside that is different in looks and skin color on the other side. These rolling racers can be a reminder to rejoice with others.



What You Need

- ★ Rolling with Joy Pattern (below)
- ★ Paper Cutting Tools (see p. 8)
- ★ Coloring & Writing Instruments (see p. 8)
- ★ White and colored cardstock
- ★ Stapler

Preparation

On white cardstock, photocopy Rolling with Joy Pattern, making one for each child.

Cut colored cardstock into 4½x11-inch strips, making one for each child, or children choose cardstock and use scissors and rulers to cut for themselves.

What Children Do

1. Fold colored cardstock in half lengthwise, making it 2¼-inches wide. Write words on one side like *joy* and *love*.
2. Curve the length of the paper to overlap ends, to form a tube. Overlap the ends so that tube is 3 inches in diameter and staple.
3. Cut out pattern piece.
4. Color each side to show two different children. Color tabs to match the tube.
5. Fold all the tabs on the child in the same direction. Staple tabs inside tube so children are standing up in the tube.

How to Play

6. Use masking tape to make start and finish lines and have races.
7. Use masking tape to make paths for the racers to follow.

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