

# Orientation for the Teacher

Welcome to the joy of teaching preschool. As a teacher you need to commit to setting a high standard. Here are 4 principles to help you achieve that goal.

## 1. Personal

In order to share Jesus with others, even small children, you must have a personal connection with Jesus Christ. Personal devotional time, focus on prayer and openness to the Spirit's leading are all crucial to being a master teacher.

## 2. Excellence

Take your teaching responsibility as a God given challenge. Do your best in all of your endeavors. Be reliable and prepared. God has given you these children for a very short period of time, so use it well. Always be on time. "If the teacher is properly prepared, every moment can be used to profit. The active minds of the children should be kept constantly employed." *Counsels on Sabbath School Work* p. 117

## 3. Nurturing

The best prepared teacher will not have success with young children if she does not show a loving spirit. Get to know the children in your class and form a warm bond with them. They will see God's love shining through you.

## 4. Parent Interaction

Do not be discouraged if all your parents do not take the time to work with their children at first. Our goal is to make the parents the first teachers, because that is in the best interest of the child. Be diplomatic in explaining the importance of their role in the program. If they repeatedly come unprepared, try calling them 3-4 days before the next meeting to remind them.

**We have tried to make your job as stress free as possible. All the lesson plans you will need are found in this manual. A list of the supplies you will need is on the following page. Make sure you read everything and prepared thoroughly. If you find any mistakes or have suggestions for improvement, please e-mail me at [Lyndene@wrightpublications.org](mailto:Lyndene@wrightpublications.org). May God bless you as you dedicate your time to teaching of these precious children.**

"It would be better for him if a millstone were hung about his neck, and he were thrown into the sea, than that he should offend one of these little ones." Luke 17:2

# Little Lambs Class Supply List

## General Supplies needed for multiple months

Leader's Manual : Printable from [wrightpublications.org](http://wrightpublications.org) (Free)

It is best if you buy a three ring binder, with the monthly dividers.

Sort the pages by month, and file them in the notebook in the order you will be teaching them.

Bible

Little Folks Felts : Small Creation Circles

Little Folks Felts: Community Helpers

Little Folks Felts: Wild Animals

These felts can be ordered through your local ABC, or found on line at a variety of sources.

## August

Raw Wool or Sheepskin

A Sample of woolen fabric

Pictures of Giraffe and Koala Bear

Fresh leaves for tasting

A variety of items from around the room ("Goods")

## September

Placemat craft supplies

## October

Pictures of Indian's homes and bows, spears, etc.

## November

Book: "The Story of Thanksgiving by Nancy Skarmeds

ISBN # 0-8249-4164-0 Available from [amazon.com](http://amazon.com)

Indian Craft Supplies Option; Design Your Own Paper Canoe

Item # 57/6719 Available from [orientaltrading.com](http://orientaltrading.com)

## December

Alphabet Flash Cards

## January

Seed Planting supplies (cups, soil, seeds, markers)

## February

Seed Craft Supplies

## March

Stickers, Template Page,

Bible Sticker Book one per child

Option: Noah's Ark by Doverpublication.com ISBN # 0-486-28928-1 Available also from [amazon.com](http://amazon.com)

Animal Habitat Sticker Book (one per child by Doverpublication.com) Available also from [amazon.com](http://amazon.com)

Options:

Forest Animals	ISBN # 0-486-45651-X
Rain Forest	ISBN # 0-486-40509-5
Desert Life	ISBN # 0-486-40747-0
Swamp Life	ISBN # 0-486-29847-7
African Animals	ISBN # 0-486-40749-7
Jungle	ISBN # 0-486-29645-8
Coral Reef	ISBN # 0-486-29407-2

(You may choose to get them all the same or have a variety for the children to choose. All Sticker books are reusable.)

## April

Flower Sticker Books (one per child by Doverpublication.com) Available also from [amazon.com](http://amazon.com)

Flower Garden ISBN # 0-486-40983-X

## May

Marvelous Mix and Match Rhyming Game from [orientaltrading.com](http://orientaltrading.com)

