

## TALENTS AS GIFTS

*(Especially effective with junior highers)*

**This activity helps kids see their talents and interests as gifts to give to others.**

You'll need a large piece of butcher paper for each member of your group (long enough for an outline of their body), markers, and Bibles.

Have kids find partners by naming off "pepperoni," "pizza," "pepperoni," "pizza," and so on. Have the Pizzas each find a Pepperoni they don't know very well. With their partners, have kids talk about their interests in art, sports, baby-sitting, and so on. Then ♦ask: **Did everyone have interests? Did your interests match your partner's exactly?** Have a volunteer read Romans 12:1-13. ♦Ask: **Does every Christian have gifts and talents? Why and how should we use them?**

Have kids get into same-sex pairs and outline each other's body on a piece of paper. Have kids each identify five things they can share with others in the next month and write those things next to

the corresponding body parts on their outlines. For example, Brian might use his brains to think of a mission project for your group.

If you don't have butcher paper, kids can draw simple figures of themselves on smaller pieces of paper. When everyone is finished, have kids view the drawings and discuss people's gifts and commitments. Follow up with your group in a month to see how they used their gifts.

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