

ALPHABET FELLOWSHIPS

Plan a Sunday evening get together using a letter of the alphabet as your theme. Try one of the following ideas or make up your own. *Greg Price*



Food: Desserts

Activities: Decorating contest (teams decorate a cake or package or cookie), Decathlon (10 quick events like dominoes, Delaware trivia quiz, dog-breeds bingo, etc.)

Devotional: from Deuteronomy



Food: Tacos and trifle

Activities: Talent show and T-shirt auction

Devotional: Truth (John 8:32)



Food: Hoagies, Heath Bars, Hawaiian Sunrise punch

Activities: Homemade hats (prize for most original), Humor (joke-telling contest)

Devotional: Hebrews heroes



Food: Cookies, cakes, and candies

Activities: Card games, Christmas carol singing

Devotional: from Corinthians

BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT

For this high school end-of-the-summer event, decorate your party area with school-related items.

Penalize tardy party goers. Kids should bring a lunch box or sack lunch to really make it seem like school. Before the event begins the kids can gather in the school yard and play hopscotch, foursquare, and other playground games. Get a buzzer or school bell to start the action.

During orientation the principal explains what is going to happen. Then she places kids in classes (teams) for competition. Each class will be graded (A, B, C, D, or F). At the end the grade point average is figured out to determine the winning class. Here are some game ideas:

- **Homeroom.** Play any animal-oriented game.
- **English Class.** Kids act out "what I did during the summer." Each class presents a skit or charade while other classes try to guess the activity. The leaders (teachers) judge for the best job and assign grades.
- **Speech Class.** Any game that involves speaking, like the old Gossip game.
- **Science Class.** Run a scavenger hunt.
- **Study Hall.** Play a word game of some kind, such as Hangman. Each group can be given a word to guess.
- **Gym Class.** Any game that involves physical activity.
- **Lunch.** Any game that involves food, such as an egg toss.
- **Biology Class.** Have teams dissect an avocado. Give each team a plastic knife, spoon, avocado, needle, and thread. Instruct them to remove the pit and sew up the avocado. The first team to complete the task is the winner.
- **Between Classes.** No school day is complete without a trip or two to the locker. For this event make a number of lockers out of hanging clothes bags. Inside each of the bags put a stack of books, magazines, a soda can, a tennis racket, and a pair of gym shorts. Each member of a team must open the locker (unzip the bag), remove the contents, and hold them while putting on the gym shorts. They then must close the locker, run to a specific point, and return to the locker and repeat everything they have done in reverse (open the locker, take off their shorts, replace the contents, close the locker), then run and tag a teammate who then does the same thing.
- **Pep Rally.** Some singing; any rowdy activity that gets everybody yelling and cheering.

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