

How to Start

How do I get started?

Definitely the **#1 question**. You first find out who is in charge in your district and ask them. In **Kansas** you can contact the State Coordinator, Scott Redmon at 913-897-2490 or Lori MacKinney at 316-833-3229, she is an area coordinator, or Nathan Kuenzi 783-224-8081 the Northeast area coordinator. Kansas has a packet to give you that will help you get started. I can try to put it in print here but there is nothing like talking to someone in your state that is actively involved and having in your hand the information you need. Kansas has two divisions in the state: The Eastern and Central Divisions. A West division can always be developed as we grow.

<http://kidmin.ag.org/ministries/juniorbiblequiz/jbqdirectors>

What do I need to get started?

There are only 2 items which I consider essential in organizing a JBQ ministry in your church:

1. Guidelines and Rule for JBQ which can be downloaded for free at >>

<http://kidmin.ag.org/-/media/KidMin/Downloads/JBQguidelines.pdf?la=en>

2. Bible Fact-Pak questions. There are 3 formats currently, Cards, Study Guide and Bible Fact Pak Question Set Generator <https://biblefactpak.com/> Information about these can be found at >>

http://myhealthychurch.com/store/startcat.cfm?cat=sAGJBQ&utm_source=http://kidmin.ag.org/ministries/juniorbiblequiz/overview&utm_medium=friendly-url&utm_campaign=/jbq/

There are other JBQ resources sold through My Healthy Church but these are essential.

Do I need a buzzer system to start?

NO, you do not need a buzzer system to start JBQ. Would it help?, definitely.

Buzzer systems are expensive, and there are many ways to get one to practice with. Check to see if you can borrow one from another team and/or your district. Some churches have extras or you can borrow during times they don't practice. Simple fly swatters are used in some countries as a quiz box and can be used for practice as well.

Check out information for Quiz Boxes below. The most popular is Steve Kirkman QuizBox but the least expensive is Grass Lake.

What are the age limits?

In Kansas JBQ is open to all kids 1st through 6th grade. Kansas has 3 divisions: the **B Team** (K-2nd grade) they study 10 pointers only, the **I Team** (1st-4th grade) and study only 10's & 20's, the **A Team** (through 6th grade) and they study all questions.

Do I really need Officials and what are they?

Officials are the adults who judge the matches. You as a team are required in Kansas leagues to bring two officials to every meet. JBQ is not just a ministry for children but a ministry for adults too. You must get the parents involved and committed to attend the meets and officiate, start early in letting them know this.

Quiz Boxes

Grass Lake QuizBox

Bible Quiz is a popular program that gets youth involved in the church and allows them to practice their bible knowledge in a fun and competitive way. Unfortunately the quiz boxes needed to compete can be expensive, preventing many churches from participating. To help overcome this obstacle one of the resident electrical engineers at Grass Lake Assembly of God was able to come up with a cost effective alternative that performs as well as any of the boxes currently on the market. These boxes will work for Pee-wee, Junior, and Teen Bible Quiz levels.

Phone: 507-269-6354 Email: bmckevett@yahoo.com

Grass Lake makes the least expensive quiz box for a complete system with timers.

QuizEquipment.com by Steve Kirkman

Quiz box with timer, quiz bar, and digital quiz box system. Steve Kirkman's box has become a standard but a comparable system to the Grass Lake box is more than twice the price.

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QUIZBOT

by Alan Bredon

QUIZBOT™ is the Easy Bible Quiz Controller! Check out their website for more information and price: www.quizbot.com. System supports 5 players per team, 8 players optional. Includes a Built-in Timer that is programmable for JBQ & TBQ timings. The battery allows use for on-the-road practice. Comfortable Handpads. They ship in about a week.

Call 817-657-8489

Let's Get you started in Kansas! Here is some important steps to take!

- ***Contact one of the coordinators immediately** and talk! Give them contact info.
- *Share with the Pastor your desire to start this ministry and get his blessing.
- *Each team only needs a minimum of 2 kids,, up to 4 at the table, 2 subs, max 6 per team.
- *Gather kids and parents together, 1st-6th graders, and tell them about JBQ or have someone come and share with them about this awesome ministry. Pete & Lori MacKinney 316-833-3229 are available to come and share about this ministry! JBQ is also introduced to the kids at the Kansas camps at Wheatstate.
- *Have them sign-up if interested and then order the materials at the above sites. Order for each child and coach: a JBQ book, box of cards (optional) but the coach needs a box for sure. There is a book of games for JBQ and a lot of different videos available for fun and further help. Coaches are great resources for ideas.
- *You could do a fundraiser to purchase a quiz box (info above).
- *The Kansas District sends out the Kansas JBQ Distinctives for our state in July. If you have let a coordinator know of your interest you will receive this and be able to register your team(s).
- *A great **starting time** is when they start back to school in August of that year!
- *Options for practice times: SS hour, Wed. nights, ask families if another night work etc.
- *You can get **a chart** of what they are to study and what cards they are to study, and by what date they need to have them. This takes them through the entire year! Contact **Lori MacKinney**.
- *We will study the cards from front to back this year.

JBQ is the BEST way to get the Word of God into our children for eternity! This ministry will help your child to get to know and love God and you as a parent will learn and grow too. It will build their spiritual warehouse so that they will make wiser decisions in life! It has proven through the decades that they become pastors, missionaries, S.S. teachers, board members, Bible study leaders, children's ministry leaders, and have better grades in school. Come joint in this awesome ministry today!