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FUNSPLOSION – MAY 2019 – PRETEEN

Bible Story: Learning to Fly • Hebrews 12:2–3

Key Question: What can help you focus on Jesus?

Memory Verse: "But those who trust in the Lord will receive new strength. They will fly as high as eagles. They will run and not get tired. They will walk and not grow weak." – Isaiah 40:31 NIrV **Life App:** Perseverance – Refusing to give up when life gets hard **Basic Truth:** I can trust God no matter what.

GETTING READY

1. Welcome/Opener What You Need:

Host

- Lots of Beach Balls
- 3 Pie Tins
- 2 cans Shaving Cream
- 3 rolls of paper towels
- Large Inflatable Die

Music and Sound Effects (SFX):

Upbeat music to use as kids enter the room

Large Group Visuals:

- Theme Slide
- Roll Away Slide
- Grenade Toss Slide
- Summer Scattergories Slide
- Funsplosion Event Slide

Optional Videos (available for purchase through the 252 Media Package):

• Theme Loop Video

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- Countdown Video
- Theme Video

What You Do:

• Run games

2. Worship

What You Need:

• Never Gonna Stop

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Story: Communicating God's Truth in Engaging Ways (Large Group, 35 minutes)

Engage kids' hearts through a dynamic and interactive Bible story, worship, and prayer experience in a Large Group setting.

SFX: Play high-energy music as kids enter. CG: Mud Run: Make It Through the Mayhem Theme Slide Optional Video (Media Package): Theme Loop Optional Video (Media Package): Countdown Optional Video (Media Package): Theme

Host enters.

Welcome

Host has lots of energy as he or she welcomes everyone to [Name of Environment]. Host is relatable and inviting. Host can talk about something that happened culturally throughout the week like a big sporting event, movie opening (Avengers 4, Aladdin), a viral video on YouTube®, or holiday (Mother's Day, International Tuba Day, Star Wars Day, Cinco de Mayo, Memorial Day) etc. Host tells them how excited he or she is that they're there and briefly runs through what they can expect. This is especially helpful for first-time guests to make them feel like they know what's happening.

Opener

HOST: "What's going on, everyone! We have such a great day in store for you. It's FUNSPLOSION WEEKEND!! This is our fun way to kick-off Summer and finish out the month of May!

"Let's jump into some fun games!"

STAGE GAME 1: Summer Scattergories

Host leads groups to play . Leaders assist with finding winners.

STAGE GAME 2: Roll Away

Host leads groups to play . Leaders assist with finding winners.

GROUP GAME 1: Grenade Toss

Host leads groups to play . Leaders assist with finding winners.

Use this as an example of what to say. Make it your own and help the kids feel welcomed. Then take a moment to share any/all announcements.

HOST: "I'm so excited to be here with all of you today and get a little crazy! If it's your first time here, I want to welcome you and I would love to have a chance to meet you and get a high-five! Your group leaders are here almost every week... they're pretty amazing. Here at Mission, we believe that this is a place for you and you belong here no matter who you are or what you believe. At at the core of who we are as a church, we believe that **JESUS CHANGES EVERYTHING FOR EVERYONE!**

"I have just a few announcements for you all today...

Share any/all announcements.

"One of the things we do each week to help us focus on God is to sing... some of you will know the words to the songs, so we want you to shout and sing them out really loud. If you don't know the words... they'll be on the screen for you. Feel free to clap, jump, sing and shout along with us! The best part about this is the message of the song and how good God is! Let's all stand up and sing together!"

Worship Leaders enter. Host exits.

<u>Worship</u>

WORSHIP LEADER: "Thank you, *[Name of Host].* Let's get up and get loud as we sing and dance for who God is and what he's done for us!

<mark>NEVER GONNA STOP</mark>

WORSHIP LEADER: PRAY

Communicator enters as Worship Leaders exit.

CG: Blank Bottom Line Slide

VIDEO MESSAGE

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LANDING

COMMUNICATOR: "We've talked about a few things that can take away our focus. Today as you enjoy the fun games and activities, think about this question:

CG: Key Question Slide

"What can help you focus on Jesus?" In other words, what can you be doing to better help you fix your eyes on Jesus? Think about what reminders you can put around your room or in your school notebooks that can prompt you to think about Jesus. Think about your friends and how they can help encourage you to fix your eyes on Jesus. You'll talk all about this in Small Group. Before you head out, let's pray and thank God for sending Jesus to die on the cross and come back to life to make it possible for us to have a relationship with God! Let's pray that God will help us fix our eyes on Jesus and trust Him with our entire lives. Let's pray."

> Communicator leads group in a prayer related to what they just heard. After prayer, Communicator dismisses kids to activities with Small Groups.

SFX: Play high-energy music as the kids exit. Optional Video (Media Package): Theme Loop