



Bulletin Board Ideas for the 12 Gardens of Stewardship

Garden of Creation

Grades K - 2

This bulletin board idea is based on the online lesson plan 'What's in the Water?' for grades level K – 2, from the 'Learning to Give' website. In this lesson, young students learn that being Stewards of God's creation includes taking care of the oceans and waterways. The lesson plan results in a class book of student's drawings, which can be displayed as a bulletin board. The following example is a suggested alternative for the youngest students. (Pre K – K)

Instructional Procedures

Selected elements from the Learning to Give lesson plan; 'What's In the Water?'

- Help the children define stewardship as the careful and responsible management of something entrusted to a person's care. Explain that by helping take care of the oceans and other waterways they are acting for the common good and are demonstrating good stewardship of the Earth.
- Discuss ways in which the children can take care of the ocean. (By not littering, picking up things that don't belong on the beach, using products that have less packaging materials, etc.) Identify potential pollutants such as fishing line, paper products, plastic eating utensils, bottles and cans, etc.

Project

- Title the bulletin board: 'We Take Care of God's Creation'
- Decorate with water and sky, as shown.
- Cut colored construction paper in shapes of fish. Or, print the shapes onto colored paper for the students to cut out. Have student dictate one way they could help keep an ocean or lake clean and write that on their fish, along with their name.
- Have students post their fish onto the bulletin board.

Suggested Quote

"The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world and all who live in it, for he founded it on the seas and established it upon the waters." Psalm 24:1



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God gave us dominion over His creation. He wants us to take good care of our world and all the living things in it. It is our responsibility to take care of the earth's environment.

Project

- Title bulletin board: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle
- Draw and label three containers: Garbage, Recycling, Yard & Food Waste
- Review for the students the importance of recycling and various items that are appropriate for each container.
- Draw or collect pictures of these various items of trash, recyclables and vegetative yard/food waste. (Examples shown are FREE online from [Microsoft Office Clipart](#))
- Help the students identify the appropriate container for each item and have them place the drawings in the appropriate section.

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"For by him all things were created; things in heaven and on earth . . . all things were created by him and through him." Col 1:16

"The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it."
Gen 2:15

