

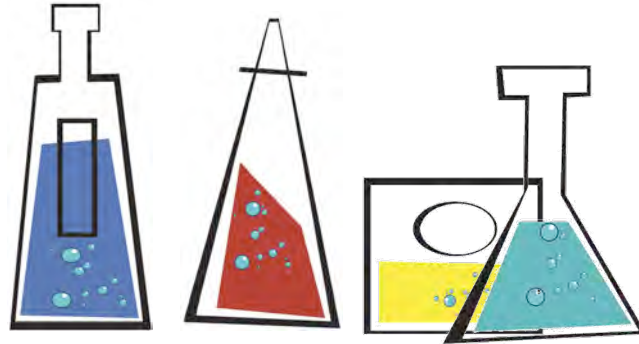


KIDoLOGY

workshop

KIDODOLOGY IOI
*Effective Relational
Ministry to Kids!*

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The **AIM OF THIS WORKSHOP**
is to challenge and equip adults
to engage in *relational* ministry
through a working knowledge
of the culture of kids.



What is KIDODOLOGY anyway?

Definition of Kidology:
the study of **kids** (how they think, relate, communicate and learn) and **their world**.



**Think of Children's Workers
as cross cultural ministers.**



**To be effective you
must learn the culture.**

I. Learn the language: **Humor**



**What makes them
laugh; what *they* like
to talk about.**



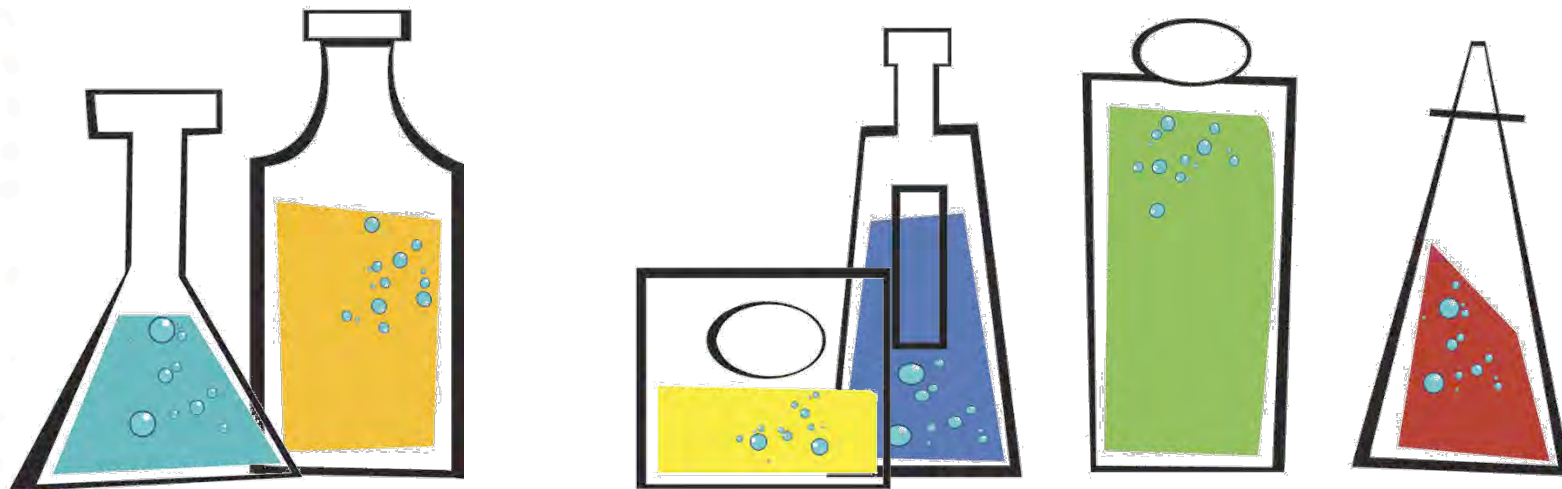
2. Learn their work: Play



Get to heart of Play, play with them, learn about the things they play and the things they play with.

3. Learn their 'stuff': Toys

Keep up on the latest thing kids are into: toys, music, sports, shows, magazines, food, games, hobbies, etc.



The Study of **KIDS** Requires:

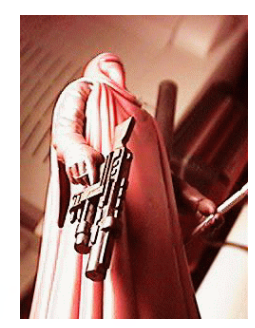
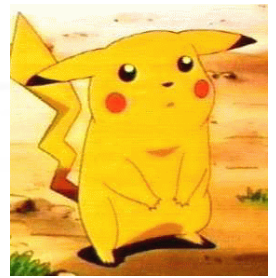


#1 You must **ALWAYS** be learning.

#2 You must be **INVOLVED** with kids.

#3 You must **know their WORLD.**

KIDOLOGY asks, **“What are KIDS INTO?”**



Kidology 101: Relational Ministry

Definition of a 'KID':



**A Child is a unique person
who *wants* **FUN**
and *needs* **LOVE**.**

KIDOLOGY sees that
KIDS WANT: F. U. N.



What makes something **F. U. N.**?
Funny, Unexpected, or New!

But **KIDS NEED: LOVE**



KIDOLOGY sees that
KIDS NEED: L.O.V.E.



How Do You Show Kids L.O.V.E.?
Laughter,

BE FUNNY, YET SINCERE



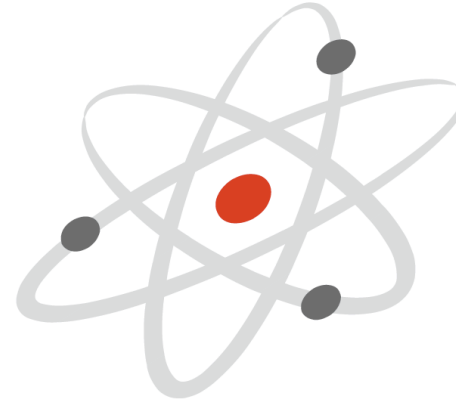
**Kids will know if
you are 'for real'**

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Laughter, **O**penness

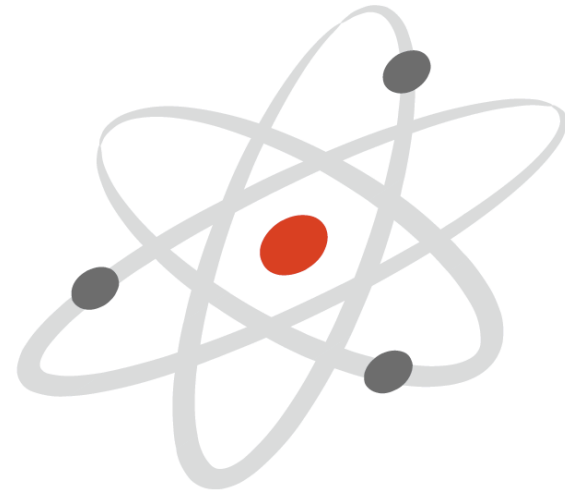
EARN THE RIGHT TO TEACH



**Talking at
kids does
not equal
teaching
them.**

STOP, DROP and ROLL...

**Start where they
are, move to
where you want
them to be.**



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How Do You Show Kids L.O.V.E.?
Laughter, **O**penness
Value,

A kid is NOT:

- **Future Adult**
- **Tomorrow's Leaders**
- **Our Future**
- **Someone to be controlled**
- **Someone to be managed**
- **Little Adult**
- **Doorway to the Parents**



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How Do You Show Kids L.O.V.E.?
Laughter, **O**penness
Value, **E**ncouragement!

KIDOLOGY Means Building kids up!



I like
you!

***Make kids glad they
are who they are!***

KIDOLOGY means
relating **with kids!**



Be **RELATIONAL** not merely
INFORMATIONAL.

Complete this sentence:

They don't care how much you know until...

TALK and RELATE

at their LEVEL

**Not maturity
level, in
language
and topics**





IDEAS for relational contacts:



A. IN-HOME VISITS

B. OUT-OF-HOME VISITS

C. PHONE CALLS

D. MAIL CONTACTS



E. CHURCH CONTACTS

ULTIMATELY,

**You are building a bridge,
NOT for them to enter your world,
but for you to GO TO WHERE THEY
ARE and bring with you God's Love
and the Gospel!**



**See ya on
Kidology.org**

