

Year A - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 22:34-40

The Shopping List Game



Instructions

- This old kids game is a great one for thinking about how challenging it can be to have to remember many things!
- To play this game, have the children sit in a circle.
- Choose a person to go first. This is person 1.
- Person 1 says 'I went to the shop and I bought a _____' (they insert an item of their choice).
- The turn then passes to the next person in the circle. This is person 2.
- Person 2 says, 'I went to the shop and I bought a (person 1's word) and a _____' (they then add their own item)
- This continues around the circle with each new person having to recall all the items mentioned by those who've gone before them, and then adding their own new item to the list.
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- It is possible to play this game with other themes also. These might include animals (I went to the zoo and I saw a _____), features in creation (I went on an adventure and I saw a _____).

Debrief

- Together with the children, discuss how challenging it was (or not) to recall all of the items on the list.
- Can you imagine what it must be like to have to remember that many things everyday?
- Thankfully, Jesus asks us to remember two important rules!

