

Musical Mats!

Lesson Idea:

Genesis 1:27

“So God created human beings in His own image. In the image of God, He created them; male and female He created them.”

Play a few rounds of the game before explaining that we are not funky chickens, dancing robots or trains. We are made in the image of God. He is our Father and He has purposefully knitted us together and chosen us for His plans. How does knowing this make you feel? Does it make you want to jump up and down, dance, sing or just kneel before God? Lead the children into a time of praise and worship.

Items needed:

- Laminated game cards (animals, transport, food, robots, instrument)
- Music
- Whistle
- Instructions on the screen (optional)

Game instructions:

Link to video demonstration: <https://youtu.be/OeM7vhtISIE>

1. Lay out all the cards on the floor.
2. Children dance around the room as the music plays.
3. When the music stops they all find a picture to sit/stand on.
4. On the screen put up one of the instructions which the game leader then reads out (e.g. anyone standing on an animal do the funky chicken; or anyone standing on a robot do the robot dance; or anyone standing on a train shout out “I think I can, I think I can etc.)
5. Music restarts and play begins again. Each time it stops a new instruction is announced.

