

I adapted a Catholic version of this game <http://biblebuzz.net/> to help students learn about the 73 books of the Bible (Catholic) and how the books are divided into categories. *Some Bibles may present variations of these categories, or they may group the books differently so I did not do the color coding sections like they did in the above game board. I did this game board in MS Word and you can change it any way you like. You may wish to adapt this activity to avoid confusion for your students and replace the Bible books and/or category names with the names your students have learned. You can also change the colors of the spaces and group the categories by colors on the game board.

Feel free to use this game as is or modify it to suit your needs. Print out Game Board, trim, and glue on the inside of 2 file folders or a large piece of cardboard. Laminate or cover file folders with clear contact paper to make it last. (Start & Finish is in Colonna MT font. Text is in Comic Sans MS font. Title is in Harrington font.)

How to set up Game Board: Place page 1 and 2 side by side. Then put page 3 below page 1 and put page 4 below page 2.

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Directions

On the first level, Each player rolls the dice and moves the number of spaces indicated. The player states the name of that book and its category and passes the dice to the next player. Players proceed down the winding path from Genesis to Revelations. The first player to reach FINISH wins. The 2nd and 3rd place winners follow respectively.

For small children, adults may pronounce the book when the child lands on it. After a while, teachers can call for volunteers to pronounce the book names. This will encourage children to learn the names. Children will enjoy rolling the dice and counting the spaces. This board game can be used in numerous ways to teach children:

- 1) to count the 73 books
- 2) read the names of each book
- 3) identify the colors on the board
- 4) spell the books of the Bible
- 5) spell the abbreviations of the books of the Bible

The younger children may be asked to indicate the color and/or the number of the book that they land on. The game is brightly colored, and the children will enjoy identifying the color or counting the spaces to tell the number of the book. It's the perfect preschool game. The adult may pronounce the name of the book for the young child. By hearing the names of the books as they play each day, they will soon be able to identify and read the names also.

Spelling Bee- As each player rolls the dice, they may advance the number of spaces. If they are unable to correctly spell the book of the Bible that they land on, they must return to the previous location. Be sure the player looks away from the board when attempting to spell the book of the Bible. A list of the books of the Bible may be handed out to each child as a study guide. After a few days of studying the list, the children could be asked to put away the list and test their memory. If the incorrect spelling is given, the adult can spell the name out, asking each child to write it on paper. The next time a player comes to that book, using the handwritten sheet, the player would then be allowed to refer to what they wrote when the spelling was missed the first time, and that player would be allowed to advance. After the book is spelled incorrectly one time, everyone will add it to their list. This is just one way a spelling bee game can be done. Older children could be asked to spell correctly in order to advance down the board game path, and simply go to the next player if answered incorrectly.

The second level game is more challenging than the 1st level, and appropriate for youth group meetings, slumber parties, contests, and spelling bees. On this level, the player must be able to pronounce and spell all the books of the Bible. The player must also be able to categorize each book. It would be very helpful in advancing to the next level, if the player is able to state at least

one fact about each book. This level welcomes teamwork and Bible study, even when the game is not being played. Groups of three or four people may create a team and challenge another team. Players are allowed time for group discussion before giving their final answer. The player must correctly pronounce, spell, state category and one fact about the specific book. This game may be played individually or as a team. This level challenges the player to study the Bible and motivates each player to learn, while enjoying a fun game.

The third level is for more advanced players. This includes groups such as Bible study groups, test preparation groups and question and answer sessions. This level is ideal for ministers, evangelism students and people who are very knowledgeable of the Bible. Each player must successfully complete the first and second level. They may play the game by stating two facts about each book they land on, or they may choose to be asked two questions from that book asked by the player on their left. If unable to provide two facts or to answer two questions, the player must move back $\frac{1}{2}$ the spaces they moved forward. This board game will challenge adults to think, learn and enjoy a fun game.