## Chapter 7 Leader Guide - What Should We Say?

Forensic Faith for Kids

## **Prepare Yourself:**

Read the following sections in *Forensic Faith: A Homicide Detective Makes the Case for a More Reasonable, Evidential Christian Faith*:

Chapter 4 – Convincing Communication

Read the following section in Forensic Faith for Kids:

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## **Important Concepts In This Chapter:**

In Chapter 7, Detective Jeffries starts to teach the cadets how to communicate what they've discovered so far. Good communication skills are often the key to success, regardless of occupation, mission or application. These skills are also helpful when communicating the truth of Christianity or sharing the Gospel. When the cadets visit the Pet Place, chaos ensues. Help your reader(s) see how good communication skills are necessary to navigate the commotion. Read the Detective Definition sidebar and talk about the nature of reliable eyewitnesses (this is discussed more completely in *Cold-Case Christianity for Kids*). Talk about disagreements between witnesses as you encounter this issue in the chapter. Help your reader(s) see how this would also apply to the variations between the Gospel accounts. This chapter lays the foundation for good communication and focuses on selecting the right audience and teaching them about the rules of evidence. This is a critical characteristic of successful jury trials (as you will discover in the adult book) and has real application to our efforts to share the gospel. Be sure to read and master the material in the adult version of Forensic Faith before discussing this process with your reader(s).

## **Good Questions to Ask:**

"Have you ever talked about Jesus with a friend? What happened? Did you feel like you did a good job sharing what you knew to be true?"

"Why do you think some people are unwilling to hear the truth?"

"Why is it important for us to understand who we are talking to when sharing the truth?" "Can you think of a rule of evidence we should share with people *before* we make the case for Christianity?"

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