Activity tie-in: Fire Building

Object: Fire/sparks

Bible Verse: James 3:6 And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life...

Lesson: The words we say have lasting effects

Introduction Ideas

- There are many good things that come from having a campfire, list some of the good activities you can do with them.
- There are also dangers of having a fire, list some harmful things that may happen around them.

Lesson Suggestions

- Ask how our speech is similar to a flame. Just one word, or one spark, could have a lasting harmful impact
- In the same way, when used properly, fires and words can be used for good things.
- We need to be just as careful with our speech as we are with campfires.

Questions:

- In what ways can we use our speech to glorify God?
- In what ways do we let our speech get out of control?

Closing Prayer:

Lord, we know how important it is to control our tongues. Help us keep our speech under control and use it to build each other up and not harm others. Amen.