Hang on for the Loop

Your Turn
Week 2 / Your Turn to Forgive

Emcee Leads Small Group Leaders Lead

Small Group Icebreaker (8 min.)

- **Introduce** yourself. **Welcome** students by name. **Check in** with them to see how they're doing.
- **Ask:** What's something interesting or fun you got to work on this past week?
- Icebreaker: **What's something small that annoys you way more than it probably should?**

Welcome (30 sec.)

- Welcome everyone and say our three simple Loop rules: **Respect your leaders. Respect each other. Respect the room.**
- **Invite** everyone to stand for worship.

Transition to Episode (30 sec.)

- Get students excited for this week's episode of *The Loop Show*!

  On this week's Loop Show, we'll learn about forgiving others the way God forgives us. And what wacky challenges will Ricky and Jayme have to complete? Only way to find out is to watch it now!

Offering and Announcements (2 min.)

- **Recap** teaching in one sentence.
- **Celebrate** hands raised during the salvation video.
- **Show** the spot where students can give their tithes and offerings.
- **Pray** for tithes and offerings.
- **Say:** 6th graders, have you heard about **Switch?** It's our youth ministry for 6th-12th graders on Wednesday nights. You'll worship, learn about Jesus, make friends, and have small group time with other Switch students. Talk to our Youth Pastor today to learn more!
- **Transition** to Activity.

Activity (10 min.)

Game Objective

Try to draw an object while blindfolded well enough that your group can guess what it is.

You'll Need

Blindfold (1 per student)
Dry erase marker (1 per group)
Dry erase board (1 per group)
Tissues (as needed for erasing)

Set Up

1. **Give** each student a blindfold.
2. **Give** small groups a dry erase marker, a dry erase board, and a few tissues for erasing.

How to Play

Say: Today, we watched Ricky & Jayme play a blindfolded drawing game where their drawings didn't come out right, but they could always erase it and start fresh—just like how we can mess up, but God forgives us and gives us a fresh start! So, let's play that game in our small groups now!

1. **Give** a dry erase board and marker to a student and have them **put on** their blindfold.
2. **Whisper** an item for them to draw from the Drawing List printed on back.
3. Student **draws blindfolded** for 30 seconds.
4. **Reveal** the drawing when time's up.
5. Group gets **3 guesses** to figure out the drawing. If they get it correct, the group gets one point!
6. As time allows, **play again** with new students blindfold-drawing each round.
7. When time's up, **celebrate** the group that got the most points!

Main Goal for Leaders Today

You're winning today if your students understand part of following Jesus and living like Him means forgiving others.

Start Your Conversation Here

- If you and your best friend had an argument over something ridiculous, what would it probably be about?

Take Your Conversation Deeper

Ask Today's Big Question

What do you think Jesus meant when He said to forgive not just seven times but 77 times?

Read Today's Verse From In-Room Bible
John 15:12-13 NIV *"My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends."*

- What do you think John 15:12-13 has to do with forgiveness?
- Which do you think is easier: asking people for forgiveness or asking God for forgiveness? Why? What's important about both of them?
- Talk about what forgiveness does and does *not* mean.
- What is the difference between being a peacemaker and pretending like a problem never happened?

Put It Into Practice

- This week, how can you practice being a peacemaker at home, at school, with your friends, or somewhere else?
- Leaders: Please remind students that if there's something in their life that feels hard to forgive, they should reach out to a trusted adult in their life for help. If a student mentions something that might indicate abuse or neglect, speak with your LifeKids pastor today so they can follow up.

Pray Together

Check in with your group. How are they doing? Anything they want to ask or thank God for? Pray together!

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Blindfold Drawing List

- Draw a bowl of fruit.
- Draw a barn.
- Draw a racecar.
- Draw a shark.
- Draw a volcano.
- Draw a kangaroo.
- Draw a palm tree.
- Draw a helicopter.
- Draw a skateboard.
- Draw a hot air balloon.
- Draw a plate of spaghetti.
- Draw a school bus.
- Draw a seashell.
- Draw a butterfly.
- Draw a castle.
- Draw a soccer ball.
- Draw an eagle.
- Draw an umbrella.
- Draw a dinosaur.
- Draw a pair of scissors.
- Draw a piano.
- Draw a cheeseburger.
- Draw a robot.
- Draw a zebra.
- Draw a snowflake.
- Draw a bumblebee.
- Draw a spiderweb.
- Draw a sunflower.

Note: If you have any students who are blind or visually impaired, they can still play this game! Describe what happened to the drawings the other kids made! Example: “They drew a cow, but its head isn’t attached to its body!” Do a twist like writing the word (probably not drawing a picture) with their non-dominant hand. Or write the word while holding a whiteboard on the top of their head! It will still be fun for them and still fun for the group to guess the word they wrote. Or, if they don’t like to write, they can be the one to come up with things for others to draw.