

# Louisiana Network



2024-2025

Season Packet

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## **INTRODUCTION**

Thank you for expressing interest in Junior Bible Quiz (JBQ)! Involving over one thousand teams in the United States, this Bible question quiz game teaches kids the Word of God through quiz teams that compete nationwide. However, even without the quizzing aspect, children's lives will be changed through this program. First check out this quick but awesome promo video explaining the what and why behind [jbq.video.general.info](http://jbq.video.general.info).

JBQ was created to be a competition based ministry, but it can be used solely for Biblical literacy. I believe that as you read through this packet and learn more about the ministry and how it works, you will be excited to be a part of JBQ and thrilled with the results: increased Bible literacy in quizzers; children learning how to win humbly and lose graciously; and families spending quality time together studying God's Word.

## **PHILOSOPHY**

The philosophy of team quizzing for elementary aged children centers on:

**FACTS:** The Fact-Pak is a teaching tool to help children assimilate important truths about the Bible, mastering it's great teachings.

**FUN:** JBQ offers a fun avenue for children to study at their own level. Team quizzing should de-emphasize the competition within the team and resist the urge to develop 'superstars.'

**FELLOWSHIP:** The wide varieties of question usage, including studying with family and friends, provides a rich Christian fellowship. This fellowship is broadened as the children quiz and make friends with children from other churches. Adults will also make new friends and connections throughout our Louisiana Network!

## **GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

1. JBQ is designed for children 1st-6th grade. However, the Louisiana Network does allow children in Kindergarten to quiz on the state level. *However, if a team advances to Regionals or Nationals, the Kindergarten students would not be eligible for quizzing.*

2. A church or school may have an unlimited number of teams.
3. A team consists of 2 to 8 quizzers and a coach (up to two assistant coaches are permissible).
4. As few as 2 and as many as 4 quizzers may quiz at once for each team and substitutions are allowed.
5. Teams may be registered as either Masters or a Searchers League.
  - A. Masters League is for children in 4th-6th grade. Though younger quizzers may 'quiz up,' older children may not quiz on the younger league.
  - B. Searchers League is for children in 1st-3rd grade.
6. Each round of quizzing consists of 20 questions and is officiated by a Quiz Master, a Score Keeper, a Time Keeper, and, if there are enough officials present, a Judge. These officials are made up of qualified teenagers or adults from the participating churches. Each team is required to have at least two officials per team competing. Training videos will be available on our website at <https://www.laaog.org/jbq>. Anyone 7th grade and up can be an official!
7. The material covered while quizzing is from a finite set of 576 questions called the Bible Fact-Pak.
  - A. The Fact-Pak was developed in the mid 1970's by the Assemblies of God Sunday School department and then modified in 2002. In June of 2011, the JBQ National Advisory Committee agreed to update the Bible Fact-Pak and include connections to the Fire Bible for Kids (NIV 2011). **JBQ recently went through a translation change. The 2024 -2025 season is the second season that quizzers will only be allowed to answer questions from the NLT (newest translation) study questions. Other versions are no longer accepted.**
  - B. The questions are divided according to point values (10, 20, & 30), and difficulty, with 30 point questions the most difficult and 10 point questions the least difficult. Each point value includes questions covering the basic Bible content, Scripture memorization, and theology. There are 288 10-pt questions, 192 20-pt, and 96 30-pt questions in the Fact-Pak.

- C. For Masters League, a 20 question round consists of ten 10-pt, seven 20-pt, and three 30-pt questions.
- D. For Searchers League, a 20 question round consists of twelve 10-pt and eight 20-pt questions.

## **GETTING STARTED**

If you decide to begin a JBQ ministry, it is helpful to have another church bring its JBQ team to your church to do a demonstration for your congregation, to visit another church with an established JBQ ministry, or to observe a divisional JBQ meet in person, which is one of the best ways to learn! New teams can also be partnered with existing teams to have help along the way. For more information, contact Tracey Guillory at 337-354-9500 or [tracey@laaog.org](mailto:tracey@laaog.org).

Once you've made the decision to be a part of the life changing Junior Bible Quiz program:

1. Go to <https://www.laaog.org/jbq> and fill out the “JBQ Interest Form.” We will then contact you with more information!
2. Be sure to get your *free* copy of the Bible Fact-Pak Fun Day Guide at [jbq.fun](#) [day.guide](#). This document contains several ideas to help cast the vision to your church.
3. We also encourage you to join our Louisiana JBQ Facebook page. You can find a link on our network page listed above.
4. Also available on our website, is a suggested practice layout. This can be helpful when you are getting started but not exactly sure what to do!
5. Finally, decide which resources you would like to have in the beginning. While there are lots of resources available, there are only a few things that are needed to get started. Listed below are the key resources to begin your JBQ ministry.

## 1. Information Resources

- A. **JBQ Official Quiz Guidelines** - The JBQ Official Quiz Guidelines have been updated as of 2023 and are available as a free PDF file download. The Guidelines are used as the rulebook for all JBQ meets from the Divisional level, Network, Regional, and National level. The rulebook provides an in-depth understanding of the rules and guidelines. You can find the complete JBQ Official Quiz Guidelines here: [https://www.nationaljbqfestival.com/\\_files/ugd/4c9f74\\_87eccd4775864e28bbc81b5a7fb7a901.pdf](https://www.nationaljbqfestival.com/_files/ugd/4c9f74_87eccd4775864e28bbc81b5a7fb7a901.pdf)
- B. **Website** - Our network website is a great place to find information you will need throughout the season. Check it out here: <https://www.laaog.org/jbq>
- C. **Facebook** - Join the Louisiana JBQ Facebook page for ideas, community, and upcoming events.

## 2. Question Resources – All of the resources below can be found at [www.biblefactpak.com](http://www.biblefactpak.com).

You do not need all of the question resources listed below. However, this is a good list of the options available to you and your church.

- A. **Bible Fact-Pak** - This is a set of 576 cards, one for each of the questions used in JBQ. The Bible Fact-Pak is useful for learning and practicing questions. This resource can be used by leaders, parents, and quizzers.
- B. **Bible Fact-Pak Study Guide** - The Study Guide contains all of the 576 questions in a spiral bound book in numerical and alphabetical order. It is useful for quizzers to use to study and learn the questions, as well as leaders and coaches. *The study guide is the most useful tool when beginning a team.*
- C. **Question Set Generator**- This customizable generator is useful for generating question sets for practice and meets. The generator is free of charge, but you must register for an account to use it. There are many different options available to print different types of questions. Be sure to check out this tool!

### 3. Equipment Resources

- A. **Electronic Quiz box** - Quiz boxes are used in every meet and consist of 8 paddles and one central box that indicates which quizzers buzzed in, as well as keep time. There are lots of games you can play to encourage kids to buzz in using a quiz box.
- B. **Vendors** – A recommended quizbox is the A/G Quizbox with Timer 2nd Generation, which can be purchased here: [www.quizequipment.com](http://www.quizequipment.com) .  
There are other options out there though. Feel free to search the internet for quiz boxes with 8 paddles, or better yet, check with a church that once quizzed but is no longer active! Often, you will be able to find others that might be able to help out! If purchasing a quiz box is completely out of the question, contact your network coordinator.

The resources listed above are the most helpful for starting a JBQ ministry in your church, here are additional resources you may want to consider:

#### 1. Study app for smartphones and iPads -

- A. JBQ Companion - “perfect app for JBQ Coaches and Parents. This app is very helpful to you to prepare your quizzers for the JBQ.”
- B. Apps such as “Quizlet” and “Study Stack” can be used to create flashcards for practice. There are some JBQ questions sets already created. Just be careful as some are not 100% accurate. If using these apps, it's best to create your own flashcards.
- C. “The Bible Memory App” is a great tool to memorize quotation questions.
- D. The “JBQ Quiz Me” app is a great resource for learning 10 point questions.
- E. There are many more apps and programs that are useful. Simply do a web or app store search to keep up with all the new resources that are coming out!

- 2. **JBQ Songs** – Check out BibleQuiz TV on YouTube for songs and lyric videos that teach and review the quotation questions as well as many of the lists! We also have a link to

this on our Facebook page. The same concept can also be applied by coaches and parents. Make questions/answers into a jingle or short song. You'd be amazed how much the kids retain that way!

### 3. **Score Keeping Apps -**

- A. JBQ Companion has a scorekeeping feature in addition to study tools. JBQ Companion can be useful for officials learning to scorekeep.

## **Bible Master Program**

The Bible Master Program is a great system to track levels of achievement using the Bible FactPak. Individuals of any age who follow the testing instructions below can be recognized for achieving the different levels of the Bible Master Award. Consider even challenging parents, leaders, & children of all ages to memorize the content in the Bible FactPak.

Using the question set generator (mentioned in the resources listed on page 7), a non-related adult (typically the child's pastor, JBQ coordinator, or coach) will ask questions to a quizzer according to the level they are trying to attain. Each level of achievement has different requirements that the child must memorize to attain.

Bible Discoverer:

20 out of 30 randomly selected 10 pt questions

Bible Searcher:

25 out of 30 randomly selected 10-point questions and

15 out of 20 randomly selected 20-point questions

Achiever:

28 out of 30 randomly selected 10-point questions and

18 out of 20 randomly selected 20-point questions and

6 out of 10 randomly selected 30-point questions

Master:

Correctly answer 59 out of 60 questions from the following combination:

30 randomly selected 10-point questions

20 randomly selected 20-point questions

10 randomly selected 30-point questions

Pins and certificates are awarded at the local level by the JBQ Director for the Discoverer, Searcher, and Achiever levels. Masters get a letter from the National office, seal for their certificate and their name on the national website!



## **SPECIFICS OF LOUISIANA JBQ**

We have two divisions in our state; North and South. If you have any questions concerning which division your church would be in, please contact the Network Coordinator.

Our regular quiz season begins in September and consists of five division meets while taking December off and one State Meet held in March. Division meets are held at the various participating churches on a rotating basis throughout the season. We want to make location easy and fair! Our goal is to allow each church an opportunity to have the “home advantage” throughout the season. The State Tournament, in which both divisions participate together, will be held in March and the location is generally announced around January.

At the State, Regional, and National level, there is only one option for quizzing: Master League. For our Divisional meets, if we have enough participants we allow both Masters and Searchers, as described on page 4 of this packet.

In both leagues, we use a format that makes joining fairly easy. We have a ‘focus set’ of questions for the first three meets. The September meet covers the first third of each point value, October covers the second third of each point value, and November covers the last third of each. In January and February all questions are included in the random generation of question sets.

## **REQUIREMENTS**

1. **Officials** - Each church is *required* to provide two trained volunteers (adults or teens 7th grade and up) per team to serve as officials at each tournament. It is strongly encouraged that the provided volunteers include at least one Quizmaster for every two teams from the church (4 teams = 2 quizmasters, etc.). Although being an official can seem daunting, *it is really simple and lots of fun*. We will guide new officials through the process and make it as easy as possible! The JBQ page on our network website includes brief tip sheets on the basics of being a quizmaster, timekeeper, and scorekeeper <https://www.laaog.org/jbq>.
  - A. Officials’ training will continue to be a point of emphasis for the upcoming season. We want to help you along the way! We will also conduct a brief officials’ meeting before each individual tournament in addition to the training videos

mentioned on page 4. If you can find those that are willing, we will help them be prepared!

- B. There is also a quizmaster training video provided by national leaders. You can find this on our facebook page. It's called "QM Training 2023."
2. **Bring Your Quizbox** - In order to quiz, we need functioning quiz boxes available. Please bring one quiz box per two teams registered.
  3. **Attendance** - We encourage teams to participate as much as possible! One huge benefit to JBQ is making new friends! These kids love getting to see each other every month! We realize it's more convenient to attend meets that are close to home, but we encourage teams to make the commitment and travel when at all possible. As with any team participation event, the number of participants greatly effects the outcome of the experience for all those involved. With this in mind, in order to qualify for the State Tournament, a team must have attended at least three of the five regular monthly meets.

## **REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

1. Registration for Division meets are handled through email with Tracey Guillory at [tracey@laaog.org](mailto:tracey@laaog.org). Two weeks before a meet, church coordinators and/or coaches that have filled out the JBQ Interest Form will receive an email with details about the meet, as well as a registration form to be completed and returned. A copy is also available on our network website.
2. Registration for the season is \$100 for your 1<sup>st</sup> team, \$75 for the 2<sup>nd</sup>, \$50 for the 3<sup>rd</sup>, etc. This is a greatly reduced rate from past years! Our desire is to make JBQ attainable for all Louisiana churches!
  - A. Payments should be made by check at the 1<sup>st</sup> meet of the season. This covers all prizes, trophies and plaques for the season. Make checks payable to the Louisiana Network: memo- JBQ North or JBQ South depending on your division.

B. *As an added incentive to help you start your JBQ program, each church will be able to wave their registration fees the first year of participation!* All subsequent years, the registration fee will be due at the beginning of the season.

1. Quizzers may join your program at any time during the season. You may add new teams during the season, provided they are registered one week prior to the first tournament in which they will compete. You may change your rosters throughout the season, but once submitted on a registration for a meet, they may not be changed until the next meet.

### **2024 - 2025 SEASON SCHEDULE**

DATE	QUESTIONS COVERED	THEME
09/28/24	10s- 1-96 20s- 289-353 30s- 481-513	Team Spirit Day
10/26/24	10s- 97-192 20s- 354-417 30s- 514-545	Foodie Day
11/16/24	10s- 193-288 20s- 418-480 30s- 546-577	Animal Day
01/25/25	All Questions	Career Day
02/22/25	All Questions	Out of This World Day
3/15/25 (State Tournament)	All Questions	N/A

You will notice the above schedule includes themes for each division meet. Theme participation is not necessary. However, it is a fun way of engaging kids. We encourage everyone to be a part, even the coaches! Candy is usually given to those that participate, as well as a vote for the most creative. Jump in and get ready to have an amazing year teaching your young people God's Word!

We are looking forward to a wonderful year of quizzing! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Tracey Guillory at (337) 354-9500 or [tracey@laaog.org](mailto:tracey@laaog.org).