

WHAT YOU NEED: Bendy straws; bowls or cups; paper; scissors; pencils; tape; small balls or pom-poms

WHAT YOU DO:

- Instruct kids to use a bowl or cup to trace a circle onto a piece of paper.
- Tell them to cut out the circle and then make a cut into the circle, stopping in the middle.
- Show them how to create a funnel shape out of the circle and secure it with tape.
- Guide kids to cut a small hole in the tip of the funnel and insert the short end of a bendy straw into the hole (from the outside of the funnel). They may need to tape the straw in place.
- Tell kids to place a ball into the funnel, put the long end of the straw into their mouth, and blow.
- If the ball doesn't float, kids may need to add more tape to the funnel to make it airtight.
- Challenge kids to see how high they can get their balls to float and to see how far they can walk without the ball falling. You might also want to create a walking obstacle course they can traverse while keeping their ball afloat.

WHAT YOU SAY:

"Life can be full of ups and downs, like this floating ball challenge. But when you keep your focus on Jesus, you can get through it. I think today's focus is a pretty great one. Loving others is important, because we all need to be loved. Let's say today's Bottom Line together: **[Bottom Line]** **You can LIVE for God by loving others."**

