



# CHILDREN IN NEED



## PREPARATION

- + Service sheet outline or slide presentation with songs, prayers...
- + Check the Children In Need website for details regarding the charity, its work, and how you can join in the fundraising – [www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk](http://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk)
- + If you are going to do a CIN fundraiser then you need to advertise this beforehand, eg Cake Sale, Bacon Buttie Morning, Bring and Buy Sale
- + Pudsey Bear Cupcakes or Biscuits (beware of food allergies):
  - ▶ paper plates
  - ▶ small cupcakes or round biscuits
  - ▶ yellow icing or butter cream
  - ▶ sweets to make a Pudsey Bear face or spotty effect, eg Smarties
- + Pudsey Bear Mask:
  - ▶ paper plates
  - ▶ yellow crayons or coloured pencils
  - ▶ a strip of white paper for Pudsey's bandana
  - ▶ coloured pens or small circle stickers for spots
  - ▶ large wiggly eye
  - ▶ ears cut from yellow card
  - ▶ stick or straw for handle
  - ▶ sticky tape
- + For the game, a small replica or pictures of Pudsey Bear
- + A variety of musical instruments

## INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

*BBC Children in Need* began in 1980 and since then has raised over £600 million to help disabled and disadvantaged children in the UK. While fundraising happens all year round, the main television event takes place on a Friday evening in mid-late November – you will find the exact date for 2018 on their website.

The mascot which fronts the Children in Need appeal is called Pudsey Bear. He was created and named in 1985 and in 2009 he was joined by a brown female bear named Blush.

## WELCOME

Welcome Song – select from the Song Bank

## BIBLE READING/THOUGHT

In your own words, or from a toddler Bible story book, tell the story of Jesus blessing the children as found in Matthew 19:13-15 (see below).

Talk to the children about how this story shows that children are very important to Jesus and that he cares for every child all around the world.

Talk about all the good things we have – food, clothes, homes – and explain how some children don't have all these things. By fundraising for Children In Need we are doing something to help others know we care about them. Talk about how God wants us to be kind and caring to everyone.



One day some parents brought their children to Jesus so he could lay his hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples scolded the parents for bothering him.

But Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me. Don't stop them! For the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to those who are like these children.' And he placed his hands on their heads and blessed them before he left.

MATTHEW 19:13-15 *NLT*

This is what our Scriptures come to teach: in everything, in every circumstance, do to others as you would have them do to you

MATTHEW 7:12 *VOICE*



## THEME SONG

### 'He's got the whole world'

*Tune: 'He's got the whole world in his hands'*

He's got the whole world in his hands,  
He's got the whole world in his hands,  
He's got the whole world in his hands,  
He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got all the little children in his hands...

He's got everybody here in his hands...

## PRAYER

Dear God,

We thank you because we are very special to you.

We thank you for our families, our homes, our food and our toys.

We ask that today you will be with children all around the world and especially all children in need. Help us to be kind and caring towards others.

Amen.

## ACTIVITY/GAMES

### Pudsey Bear Cupcakes or Biscuits:

- ▶ Using either a small cupcake or round biscuit, cover in yellow icing or butter cream.
- ▶ Decorate using sweets to make a Pudsey Bear face or just add sweets, eg Smarties for a spotty effect.

### Pudsey Bear Mask:

- ▶ Colour a paper plate yellow using crayons or coloured pencils.
- ▶ Decorate a strip of white paper with spots of different colours for Pudsey's bandana and stick diagonally across the left side of the plate.
- ▶ Add a right eye and ears cut from yellow card.
- ▶ Attach a stick or straw with sticky tape as a handle.

For other ideas see [www.pinterest.com/AFMYorkshire/children-in-need-crafts](http://www.pinterest.com/AFMYorkshire/children-in-need-crafts)

- \* Play 'Can you find Pudsey?' by hiding a small replica bear or pictures of Pudsey around the room and send the children to find it.

## INSTRUMENT SONGS

Select from the Song Bank

### ADDITIONAL SONGS

♪ 'Miss Polly had a dolly who was sick, sick, sick'

♪ SASB 1001 'Help us build a loving world'

## CLOSING

Closing song or prayer - select from resources.

