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Opening Exercises	JR: 2:15 – 2:25	SR: 3:10 - 3:20
Singing Time	JR: 2:25 – 2:45	SR: 3:20 – 3:40
Sharing Time & Closing Song/Prayer	JR: 2:45 – 3:05	SR: 3:40 – 4:00

SHARING TIME				
Purpose	Page	Song	Activity	Key Principle & Scriptures
			(Total Participation)	Doctrine)
Attention-Getter	86b	The Golden Plates	Put together cut-up picture of golden plates as sing song	
			Show Golden Plates (Primary Pix 5-13)	What are these?
		A Voice from the Dust Poster	Show a Book of Mormon	Did you know the Book of Mormon came from the gold plates?

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Activate Prior Knowledge & Experiences	86a	An Angel Came to Joseph Smith	Book of Mormon Translation Scripture Figures	Where did the gold plates come from?
(Build conceptual				Tell w/ <u>pictures posted on</u> <u>sticks</u> & act out w/ gestures:
knowledge and connect it to			Show a Book of Mormon	This is the Book of Mormon— a history of the Nephites & Lamanites.
personal experience)			Primary Pix 5-13 (hands open like book)	These are gold plates.
			Primary Pix 4-2 (pat earth like burying something)	This is Moroni who buried the plates to keep them safe.
			Primary Pix 5-8 (cup hands around mouth)	This is Angel Moroni, who told Joseph Smith where to find the gold plates.
			Primary Pix 5-9 (dig)	This is Joseph Smith who went to Cumorah to dig up the plates.
			Primary Pix 5-11 (give)	This is Angel Moroni who taught Joseph Smith for four years before giving him the plates.
			Primary Pix 5-17 (3, point eyes)	These are the three witnesses who saw and touched the plates.
			Primary Pix 5-14 (write)	This is Oliver Cowdery who wrote down the translation that Joseph told him.
			Primary Pix 5-19 (clap hands like printing press)	These are the printers who printed the Book of Mormon.

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dentify the Doctrine	127	The Eighth Article of Faith	Books of Mormon in different languages	What are these? (Book of Mormon)
(Shared, Contextualized			Have children from other countries read	Can you understand what I read? Why not?
Experience) (Showcase a			pages from the Book of Mormon in their own languages	Oh, so you need to hear it in your OWN language?
Primary Child's Talents or Experiences)			The Book of Mormon has been translated into 82 languages and over 150 million copies have been printed We are going to translate something. (Play music as they work on one of the worksheets below:)	Well, that was true for Joseph Smith, too, except the writing on the gold plates was reformed Egyptian, and Joseph didn't speak that language. So Heavenly Father gave Joseph special tools and revelation to help him understand the words. What does "translate"
			Studying the Scriptures Code	mean? We are going to "translate" something.
			Translation Worksheet & Key: The Book of Mormon is Another Testament of Jesus Christ Translation Worksheets	Translation is more than just matching symbols and letters, or substituting one word for another. • Context • History • Culture • Figures of speech, metaphors, analogies • Inferences (reading between the lines)
				For us: Spirit helps us translate meaning of words into our lives

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Encourage Understanding (Focus on Meaning)

Book of Mormon Stories

Doctrine & Covenants 123:12 "For there are many yet on the earth among all sects, parties, and denominations, who are ablinded by the subtle bcraftiness of men, whereby they lie in wait to cdeceive, and who are only kept from the truth because they <u>dknow</u> not where to find

Hunt for gospel truths (pix in folders) posted in room.

Jesus Christ created the Earth under the direction of Heavenly Father (Primary Pix 1-1) (3 Nephi 9:15)

Baptism by Immersion (Primary Pix 2-20) (3 Nephi 11:23-26)

Gift of the Holy Ghost (Primary Pix 3-14) (Moroni 2:2)

Blessing of the Sacrament (Primary Pix 3-59) Moroni 4:3 & 5:2

Blessing of the Sick (Primary Pix 1-40) James 5:14

Priesthood Ordination (Primary Pix 2-68) (Moroni 3:1-3)

Prayer (Primary Pix 1-9) (3 Nephi 18:15-16)

Personality of Christ (Primary Pix 1-3)

Why is the Book of Mormon important?

Think-Pair-Share 1: Think of something you really love.

Think-Pair-Share 2: Think about how you would feel if the thing you loved **got lost**.

Think-Pair-Share 3: What is the **gospel**?

Think-Pair-Share 4: Think of something you **love about the gospel**.

Think-Pair-Share 5: How would you feel if you couldn't have that part of the gospel any more?

When people don't listen to Heavenly Father, **gospel truths get lost**(1 Nephi 13:40)

The Book of Mormon "restores" gospel truths. To "restore" means "to bring back to their original state."

HUNT FOR GOSPEL TRUTHS

Purpose of Book of Mormon:

(D&C 3:19-20)"19 And for this very a purpose are these b plates c preserved, which contain these records—that the d promises of the Lord might be fulfilled, which he made to his e people; 20 And that the a Lamanites might come to the knowledge of their fathers, and that they might know the b promises of the Lord, and that they may c believe the gospel and d rely upon the merits of Jesus Christ, and be e glorified through their repentance they might be saved.

Amen."

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			(Alma 9:26)	
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Encourage Application (Communication & Action)	119	The Books in the Book of Mormon	Have children do a scripture chase to try to find a particular book as	The scriptures can help us find answers to our problems (Topical Guide)
	109	<u>Search,</u> <u>Ponder, &</u> <u>Pray</u>	the song plays Have children try to sing song before	We have to know where the different books are located
			last bubble hits the ground	Primary songs can help us remember their order
			Have them try to sequence the names of the books	Do song challenges in 4 th column
			before the last bubble hits the ground	Have children report on last week's challenge
	#274	The Iron Rod (with hymn books)	SR: Iron Rod w/ hymn books (Primary Pix 4-14)	"Wherefore, I said unto you, feast upon the words of Christ; for behold, the words of Christ; for behold, the words of Christ will tell you all things what ye should do" (2 Nephi 32:3). The words of Christ are found in the Book of Mormon. They are "the word of God" and if we "hold fast unto it, they would never perish; neither could the temptations and the fiery darts of the adversary overpower them unto blindness, to lead them away to destruction" (1 Nephi 15:24)

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Assessment & Testify (Closure)	148	I Want to Live the Gospel	Even though we now have the scriptures in our own language, we still need to seek the	How can we gain a testimony of the Book of Mormon and its restored truths?
			Spirit as we read to help us "translate" what they mean in our own personal lives and integrate	Search (Primary Pix 3-23) Ponder (Primary Pix 5-4 or 3-28) Pray (Primary Pix 1-9 or 7-13) "And when ye shall receive
			their teachings into our daily lives.	these things, I would exhort you that ye would <u>a ask</u> God, the Eternal Father, in the name of Christ, if these things are not <u>b true</u> ; and if ye shall ask with a <u>c sincere heart</u> , with <u>d real intent</u> , having <u>e faith</u> in Christ, he will <u>fmanifest</u> the <u>gtruth</u> of it unto you, by the power of the Holy Ghost.
			Blow bubbles and have children try to recite Moroni 10:5 before they hit the ground:	5 And by the power of the Holy Ghost ye may <u>a know</u> the <u>b</u> truth of all things" (Moroni 10:3- <u>5</u>).
			"And by the power of the Holy Ghost, ye may know the truth of all things."	Heavenly Father's children hear the gospel in their own language so they can understand it. We can help Heavenly Father by learning other languages, living the gospel, and sharing what we learn about the gospel and our testimony of it with others.

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Possible links to follow-up activities to post on Ward Facebook page to remind children to work on their action plans this week:

From Golden Plates to Book of Mormon Illustrated Sequence of Events

Coming Forth of the Book of Mormon Storyboard Coloring Pages

<u>Angel Moroni Talks to JS About Golden Plates Easy Dot-to-Dot</u>

Joseph Smith Gets the Golden Plates Dot-to-Dot

From Golden Plates to Priceless Book Crossword Puzzle

CTR Ring Translations

Books in the Book of Mormon Boggler

Find It - Hidden Letters of the Alphabet

Publishing the Book of Mormon – Find the Copies

Scripture Stories Coloring Book - Book of Mormon

Gaining a Testimony of the Book of Mormon Maze