

Children's Connection Curriculum

Session Topic: Questions about jail/prison (Incarceration)

Developmental Level: Elementary and Middle School

Purpose: Help students to have an understanding about the jail and/or prison steps from their own questions.

Materials Needed: "Commonly asked Kids Questions" handout and yellow Kids Q&A cards are located in the Activities Box, Paper, pens/pencils/markers

Description of Session: Have students write down different questions they have regarding the jail and/or prison system. Encourage them to think about with their loved one was incarcerated, or going to be incarcerated, or coming out. Provide time for them to write down their questions and collect them. These questions can then be gone over throughout this sessions or upcoming sessions as well. (Refer to the stages of incarceration session, or other incarceration sessions for answers if needed) These topics that were brought up can be used in creating sessions for upcoming groups, word finds can be created, or other drawing activities as well. If students are having troubles thinking of questions refer to the "Commonly asked Questions by Children" handout to help get the kids started. Use the Kids Q&A cards as another resource to get the conversation started.

Discussion Questions:

1. Answer student's questions.
2. Ask who they can ask these questions too to get answers.

Reference: Children's Connection Counselors