



## Theme: We are all the same

Book: **Boogie Bear** by David Walliams

### Theme Introduction:

Children will begin to notice differences in people from a young age. It is really important for them to speak openly and honestly about those differences and for adults caring for them to also reassure them that whilst there are some differences we are all the same. Children who learn to respect diversity at a young age gain knowledge and understanding that can help them improve relationships, tackle prejudice and make positive decisions when they are older.

Jesus shows us lots of examples in the Bible of how we should treat people. He also shows us that any kind of prejudice, racism, discrimination or simply treating people in a different way, is not acceptable. By sharing this with our families we can make an impact not only on their lives but the lives of others in our communities.

### Theme exploration:

The bears were scared of Boogie because she had different coloured fur, they thought she was a monster. They are scared of her because she is different.

The Bible tells us that we are all the same in God's eyes, no matter what our physical differences are, God sees us as all the same.

### Free play suggestion:

#### Link to theme:

- Have lots of socks in a basket. Encourage the children to find the matching ones.



I wonder which sock matches this one  
I wonder if you would ever wear odd socks

- Any matching cards game.



I wonder which cards match  
I wonder if you can find the one that matches this one



### Prayer time

Dear God, thank you that you made us and that you love everyone one of us. Help us to realise that no matter what differences we can see, everyone is a person who was made and is loved by you. Amen



### Faith in action:

What are the differences between your family members? Collect different leaves and talk about the differences.

### Reflection on last week's faith in action, with the families.

**What** was last week's action?

**How** did that make you feel?

**Why** did that make a difference?

### Craft ideas:

#### Link to theme:

- Print a spot the difference from here: <https://www.printitfree.net/free-printable-spot-the-difference-picture-puzzles/>



I wonder if you can find any differences in the pictures.



### Inspiration ...

### Biblical References:

#### Galations 3:28

*There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.*

### • SNACK TIME

Pom bears

Barney bear cakes

### • SONGS

Use musical instruments

Teddy bear, teddy bear  
turn around

### Additional resources:

A re-telling of the story on Youtube

 <https://youtu.be/I1XAVlur-y0>