

## Acts 1-12 drama

Tell the story of Acts chapters 1 to 12 by reading the script and matching the actions to the words in bold.

1. The great commission: **Go** into all the **world** and **share** the good news with **everyone everywhere**.  
*Point forward; make ever larger circles with finger, then arm; open hands and offer a gift around, then point to everyone rapidly.*
2. So they **pray**, they **wait**, they **read** psalms and they **choose** a new apostle.  
*Place hands in prayer position; twiddle thumbs; open palms like a book; do eeny-meeny-miny-mo with a finger.*
3. God sends his Holy Spirit with **wind**, with **flames**, and with **words of praise**.  
*Do wind actions; move hands like flames; all call out a praise word.*
4. Peter explains that **this is that**, so **change** your mind about **Jesus**.  
*Point all around and to an imaginary book; circle hands either side of your head and point to wrists (sign language for 'Jesus').*
5. And the church is **born**.  
*Nurse a baby.*
6. By the **beautiful** gate, a lame man is healed - **walking and leaping and praising** God.  
*All smile; walk, leap and lift hands high.*
7. Peter explains: it's all about Jesus, so **change** your mind about **Jesus**.  
*Circle hands either side of your head; point to wrists.*
8. And the church **grows**.  
*Indicate a growing toddler.*
9. The Sadducees get **annoyed** and tell Peter and John to **stop**.  
*Angry faces; turn one palm up as a stop sign.*
10. Peter explains: it's all about Jesus, so **change** your mind about **Jesus**.  
*Circle hands either side of your head; point to wrists.*
11. And the church **grows even more**.  
*Indicate a growing child.*

12. The Sadducees become **jealous** and **plot** to get rid of Peter and John.  
*Point two fingers at the eyes with stabbing motion; wring hands together.*
13. Gamaliel gives **wise advice**.  
*Stroke chin wisely.*
14. Peter and John are **bold**. Peter explains: it's all about Jesus, so **change** your mind about **Jesus**.  
*Look bold; circle hands either side of your head; point to wrists.*
15. And the church **grows even more**.  
*Indicate a growing teenager.*
16. **Seven** new Christian leaders are appointed. **Stephen** preaches a lot!  
*Count seven on your fingers; put on an imaginary crown (the meaning of Stephen's name).*
17. **Stephen** explains: it's all about Jesus, who is greater than the **temple**, so **change** your mind about **Jesus**.  
*Put on the crown again; make a triangular temple shape with both arms; circle hands either side of your head; point to wrists.*
18. The Sadducees are **out-argued and outraged**. They **stone** Stephen.  
*Mime total horror and then the throwing of stones.*
19. The church scatters but **grows even more**.  
*Indicate a growing older teenager.*
20. **Samaritans in the north** become Christians.  
*Hold your nose to show disgust at these outcasts.*
21. **A treasurer** from Ethiopia becomes a Christian.  
*Count money with affectation!*
22. Even a Pharisee named Saul **becomes a Christian** in Damascus.  
*Cover eyes and then uncover them with amazement.*
23. And the church **grows even more**.  
*Indicate a young adult.*
24. People by the seaside become Christians **and get healed**.  
*Look amazed as you move all your limbs.*
25. Even **a Roman soldier** called Cornelius becomes a Christian.  
*Salute.*
26. His whole family **get blessed**.  
*All cheer.*
27. It's all about **Jesus**. God wants everyone to become part of **his new family** through Jesus. So **change** your mind about **Jesus**.  
*Point to wrists; all hold hands in groups; circle hands either side of your head; point to wrists again.*

28. **Foreigners** in Syria become Christians and Barnabas and Saul go to pastor them.  
*Look puzzled (whatever next?!)*
  29. The church just can't stop **growing**.  
*Indicate lots of people growing, to the left and to the right.*
  30. Herod **puts his foot down**; James is **killed**; Peter is **arrested**.  
*Stamp one foot; look sad; put together wrists as if handcuffed.*
  31. The church **prays** and **an angel** rescues Peter.  
*Hands in prayer position, then turn them into angel wings.*
  32. And the church **just keeps on growing!**  
*Indicate lots of people growing everywhere.*
- 

Downloaded from **Barnabas in Churches** - *resourcing work among children and families* - [www.barnabasinchurches.org.uk](http://www.barnabasinchurches.org.uk)

**Keep in touch:** [Sign up to our email](#) | Follow BRF on [Twitter](#) | [Facebook](#) | [YouTube](#)

**Please support us:** All that we do is only made possible through generosity of those who support us. Please consider [making a donation](#) to support our work and ministry. You can find out more about what we do on the [Barnabas in Churches website](#).

Barnabas in Churches is a core ministry of BRF - [find out more about the ministry of BRF](#)

BRF, 15 The Chambers, Vineyard, Abingdon, OX14 3FE United Kingdom  
© BRF 2019 - [copyright info](#) | Charity Reg. 233280 | Company No. 301324