

Simply The Story **Evaluation of STS Practitioner**

Storyteller _____ Instructor _____ Date _____

Details of *Simply The Story* processes are in the STS document. Before starting your story presentation for evaluation, remember this: no matter how literate your workshop comrades may be, **you are to present your story as if those in the listening audience are oral communicators** and they only know the content of the story you present (and the content of the other stories that have been told during the current training.)

As a reminder, storytellers will....

- 1) Use no extra-biblical information in the introduction.
- 2) Only if needed give a short pre-story setup.
- 3) Maintain accuracy of the Bible story, with no information left out or added.
- 4) Stay in one Bible story, not combining information from parallel accounts.
- 5) Deliver thoughtful, encouraging responses to listeners who respond as volunteers and who answer questions.
- 6) Show spontaneous flexibility in answering the specific questions of the responders.
- 7) Give an interesting step-through that moves quickly through the story using various styles to involve listeners.
- 8) Lead to observations in the story through a style of questions to which an oral learner can respond.
- 9) Share spiritual applications by asking questions to which an oral learner can respond.
- 10) Not preach!
- 11) Not use the story as a springboard to teach a favorite personal topic. Rather...they trust God's skill in communicating truth through the Scripture, and they will let the story speak its messages.
- 12) Be able to define and demonstrate the 5 separate components of STS.

Name of Storyteller	Date	Story Title	Reference	1. Story	2. Retell	3. Step Through	4. Observations	5. Applications

Ratings in the major categories above reflect only the understanding that the storyteller demonstrated of the 5 components of STS. Any category above that was skipped or not clearly presented will have a "NTY" rating (Not there yet). Otherwise it will have a "GI" for Got-it!

Overall Recommendations	
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The comments for some evaluation categories may be filled in with compliments when something is done exceptionally well. Some comments may be suggested helps if an area needs work. Many of the topics will have nothing written beside them if that part went well. The checklist helps the trainer remember what to say afterwards so the flow of the whole STS presentation can be done all at once with no interference. If it will help, stories can be started again when a nervous storyteller gets lost.

Evaluations of 3 Times of Story Presentation

	Story, Comments
1. Introduction	
2. Accuracy	
3. Listening Interest	
4. Stayed in Story	
5. Felt Story	
6. Body Communication	
	Retelling, Comments
1. Prompting Volunteer	
2. Encouraging	
3. Correction of Volunteer	
	Step Through, Comments
1. Promptly Completed	
2. Varied Styles	
3. Participation	
4. Accuracy	

Evaluations of 2 Kinds of Spiritual Treasures	
Spiritual Observations, Comments	
1. Use of Key Words	
2. Oral Style Questions	
3. Gestures As Keys	
4. Valid Observations	
5. Cross Ways Discussion	
6. Group Interaction	
7. Kind Interchanges	
8. Affirmations	
9. Answers In Story	
10. Led to Treasures	
11. Listened Well	
12. Let Story Teach	
Spiritual Applications, Comments	
1. Oral Style Questions	
2. Gestures As Keys	
3. Valid Applications	
4. Cross Ways Discussion	
5. Group Interaction	
6. Kind Interchanges	
7. Affirmations	
8. Applications are in Story	
9. Led or Told Applications	
10. Answers Attainable	
11. Avoided Preaching	
Overall Handling of Group	
1. Problem Management	
2. Response to Any Out-of-	Story Questions
3. Group Description	