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Dear Jesus, thank You that we are part of YOUR family forever! And thank You for being at Jasper Canyon with us helping us make good decisions! We love You! Amen.

A Picnic Snack Shop host will come around and give you part of the supplies you need to assemble Rockhound Tools. (Give each child 6-8 pretzels—a few to snack on while they are building.)

You can use your napkin to clean your hands before the next step. And if you are thirsty go ahead and enjoy your water.

Another Picnic Snack Shop host will come around and place grapes and cubes of cheese on your plate. Don't eat them yet!

Insert a cube of cheese on both ends of your pretzel sticks. When you have used all your cheese use the grapes in the same way.

Your Rockhound Tools look really tasty...you did a great job making your Rockhound Tools! Tell your friend next to you about your tools and what they are for. (Give about 3-5 minutes for kids to talk about digging and chipping...go around and listen to the conversations and give affirmation.)

Oh, by the way...you can enjoy eating your tasty treat from the Jasper Canyon Picnic Snack Shop.

### Wrap Up

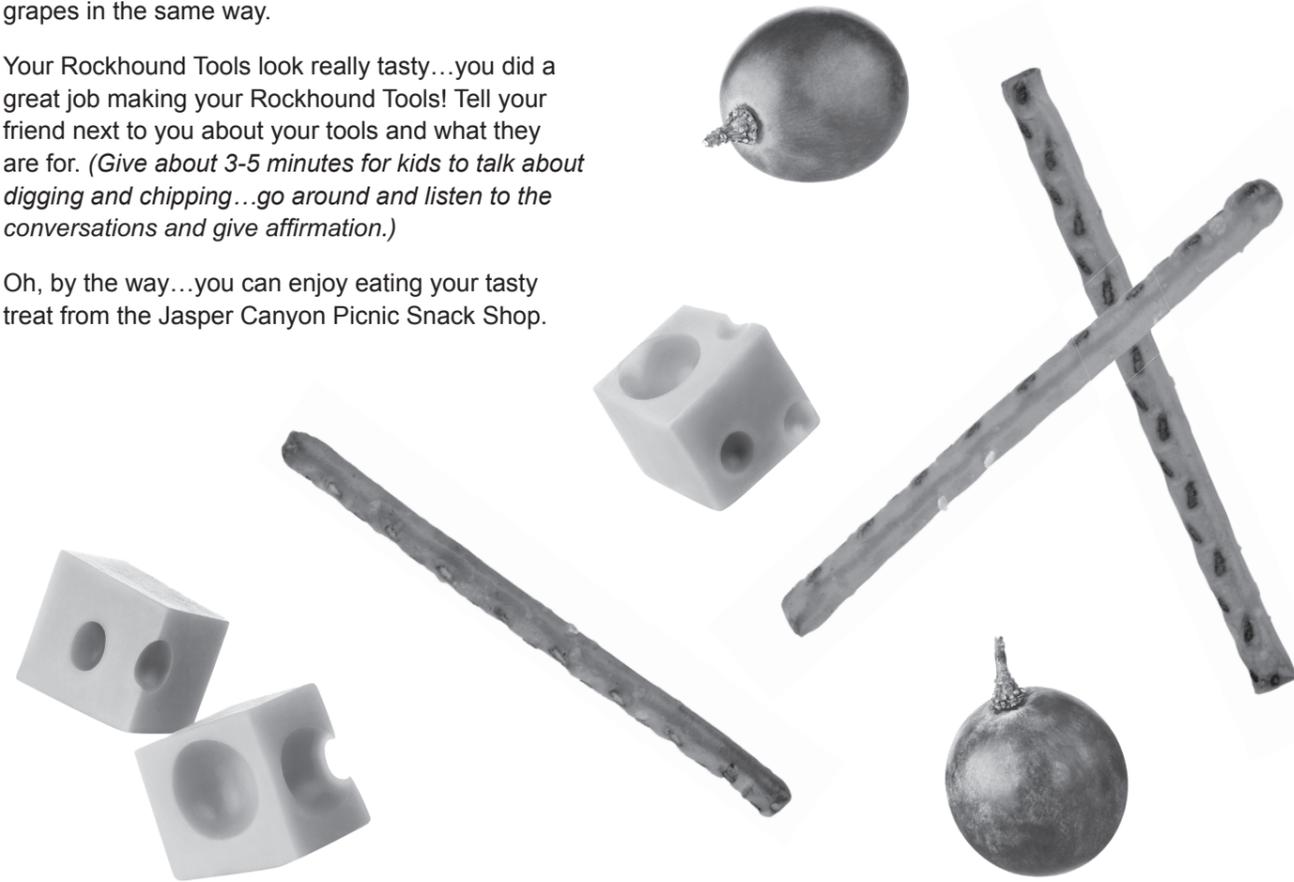
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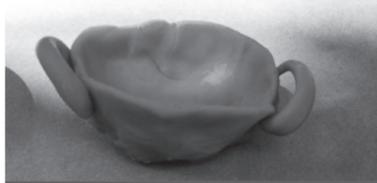
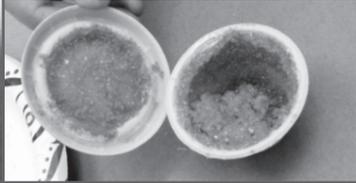
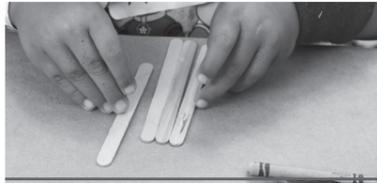
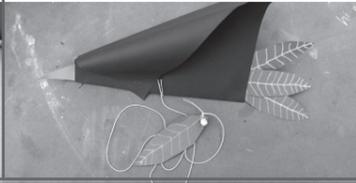
It's time to clean up! (sing or say like a jingle) Be sure all your throwaways are...well...thrown away! (laugh) And make sure your hands are clean before you hike on to your next station. (Give each child a wet wipe and point out the garbage can.)

Goodbye, my rockhound friends! It was a pleasure having you here today! Remember, today's snack reminds us that we are all part of God's family forever!

Jesus made me to live with Him forever. (hold both arms up with your pointers out and rotate arms in a big circle) I dig it! (cool pose)

Thank you for being amazing rockhounds! Bye! Remember...YOU...are made in His family forever!



EXCAVATION POST <i>Prayer Station</i>	ARTIFACT CRAFTS <i>Craft Station</i>	TESTING PIT <i>Game Station</i>	PICNIC SNACKS <i>Snack Station</i>
Play-Doh Sculpting & Field Journal 	Jasper Gemstone 	Get-to-Know-You Pre-Game Rock Wall Cracks	Gemstone Parfait 
Carrying Burdens & Field Journal 	Jasper Canyon Fossils 	Get-to-Know-You Pre-Game Jasper Canyon Obstacle Course	Fossil Crackers 
Mosaic Hearts & Field Journal 	Jasper Mosaic 	Get-to-Know-You Pre-Game Jasper Canyon Mosaic Tag	Mosaic Trail Mix 
Prayer Links & Field Journal 	Jasper Family Petroglyphs 	Get-to-Know-You Pre-Game Jasper Canyon Family Four Square	Petroglyph Sweets 
Popsicle Stick House & Field Journal 	Jasper Canyon Eagle 	Get-to-Know-You Pre-Game Eagles Nest Relay Race	Rockhound Tools 

## WELCOME TO PICNIC SNACK SHOP!

The Picnic Snack Shop is where the kids get to slow down and eat a healthy snack while they learn about their value and worth as God's treasures.

As your energetic rockhounds create and eat their snack they will learn how it connects with what they are learning in Jasper Canyon that day.

### What the Snack Station Leader Should Wear

- Broad rim sun hat
- Colorful or striped shirt
- Jeans or hiking pants
- Hiking boots/rubber boots

### Decorating

This station is set up like a picnic site in Jasper Canyon so you can add a backdrop, trees/shrubs, and rocks to make your station feel like it is part of the overall theme. Picnic tables or small folding tables work well. Or, you can have the kids sit on sheets that are spread out on the ground. The paper plates, napkins, and decorations should have a picnic theme. You can also display a variety of stones, gems, or minerals to remind them they are in Jasper Canyon.



## DAY 5—ROCKHOUND TOOLS



### Grocery Ingredients

- Pretzel sticks
- Baby carrot sticks
- Cheese cubes  
(optional: vegan cheese cubes)
- Seedless grapes

### Table Settings

- Small dessert plates
- Small water cups
- Organic brown napkins

### Utensils and Sanitizing:

- Pitcher of water
- Bowls
- Plates
- Wet wipes
- Hand sanitizer

### Ahead of Time

- Open pretzels and pour in to several bowls. Cover.
- Cut cheese into small cubes (enough for 4 per child).
- Wash grapes and put in bowls. Cover and refrigerate.
- Pour water into water cups for each child.

### Tip

Make sure to give a few more grapes than needed. Grapes are refreshing!

### Instructions

1. Place four or five pretzel sticks on your plate with 4 cubes of cheese and 4 grapes.
2. Stick the cheese cubes on either end of the pretzel sticks. Stick a grape on a pretzel stick.
3. Yummy! Do a taste test!
4. Always plan extra to serve to your VBS volunteers!



### Welcome

**SAY:** Welcome back to the Picnic Snack Shop! It has been a delight having you stop by each day! This week you have been discovering all kinds of treasures!...And the best treasure!? It's YOU! YOU are a special...you are strong...you are smart...and you are made in God's family! I am going to miss you for sure!

Here at the Jasper Picnic Snack Shop we like to keep our shop clean and sanitized...as well as our hands! (*wiggle fingers*) A Picnic Snack Shop host will come around and give you a squirt of hand sanitizer. Be sure to rub it all around your hands and in between your fingers!

Hmmm...that reminds me of our Daily Find: Jesus made me to live with Him forever. (*hold both arms up with your pointers out and rotate arms in a big circle*) I dig it! (*cool pose*)

You are great rockhounds!

You can call me Chef Snack Shop Geologist (*say with passion!*) because I like to create tasty, amazing, sometimes "what is this?" treats!

Today we are going to create a tasty treat that looks like the tools used for rockhounding! Well (*swing your left arm to the right*), let's get to it, rockhounds!

A Picnic Snack Shop host will come around and give you tasty art canvases and some banana slices. Carefully arrange your banana slices on top of your canvas...which is really a graham cracker!

You can use your napkin to clean your hands before the next step.

Another Picnic Snack Shop host will come around and place a spoonful of Teddy Grahams on your plate. Do not eat them yet!

Insert the Teddy Grahams into the banana strips so that they are standing up.



### Suggestion

The Picnic Snack Shop host can use a small spoon to scoop out 4-5 Teddy Grahams and put them on the children's plates. Be ready to add more if a child says they have more than 5 in their family.



Your petroglyph looks real tasty...you made good choices where to place them! Tell your friend next to you about your family. *(Give about 3-5 minutes for kids to talk about their family of Teddy Grahams... go around and listen to the conversations and give affirmation.)*

Oh, by the way...you can enjoy eating your tasty treat from Jasper Canyon Picnic Snack Shop.

### Wrap Up

Rockhounds, YOU are strong...you are smart... and you are special to God and part of His family!

It's time to clean up! *(sing or say like a jingle)* Be sure all your throwaways are...well...thrown away! *(laugh)* And make sure your hands are clean before you hike on to your next station. *(Give each child a wet wipe and point out the garbage can.)*

I hope you enjoyed making and eating your petroglyph...and that it will remind you that you are a special treasure to God! You are part of His family! Remember...Jesus made me in His family. *(hug yourself and/or a neighbor)* I dig it! *(cool pose)*

Thank you for being amazing rockhounds! Bye for now! Remember to make good decisions today... and...YOU...are made in His family!

## DAY 1—GEMSTONE PARFAIT



### Grocery Ingredients

- Low-fat vanilla yogurt (option: vegan vanilla yogurt)
- Cool Whip (option: So Delicious Coconut Whipped Topping)
- Strawberries
- Blueberries
- Clementines peeled and divided into sections
- Sliced bananas
- Melon balls

### Table Settings

- Clear squatty cups—9 oz heavy duty tumblers
- Small dessert plates
- Small water cups
- Organic brown napkins
- Plastic spoons

### Utensils and Sanitizing

- Pitcher of water
- Bowls to separate cleaned and prepared fruit
- Large mixing bowl
- Mixing spatula
- Serving spoon
- Melon scoop
- Paring knife
- Serving tray
- Wet wipes
- Hand sanitizer

### Ahead of Time

- Clean and prepare fruit. Mix Cool Whip and vanilla yogurt. Refrigerate fruit and Cool Whip mixture.
- Set at each place setting: small dessert plate with tumbler on top, napkin, spoon, and cups of water.



### Instructions

1. Clean and prepare fruit and put into separate bowls. Place bowls on serving tray.
2. Mix one large container of Cool Whip with one container vanilla yogurt and refrigerate.
3. Picnic Snacks Host #1: Serve each child's choice of fruit each in their cup and add a small spoonful of fruit on their dessert plate.
4. Picnic Snacks Host #2: Top with yogurt mixture.
5. Instruct children to decorate with their Gemstone Parfait.

### Tip

Make a batch of Cool Whip and vanilla yogurt to gauge the amount it will serve. Always plan extra to serve to your VBS volunteers!



### Welcome

**SAY:** Welcome to the Picnic Snack Shop! Today we are going to discover some real treasures!...Wait! YOU *(point to the kids)* are a treasure to God... and a treasure to me! *(thumbs point to yourself)* You look kind of thirsty! It's hot here in Jasper Canyon...you are welcome to drink your water anytime you choose.

Here at the Jasper Canyon Picnic Snack Shop we like to keep our shop clean and sanitized...as well as our hands! A Picnic Snack Shop host will come around and give you a squirt of hand sanitizer. Be sure to rub it all around your hands and in between your fingers!

That reminds me of our Daily Find: Jesus made me special. (*thumbs up*) I dig it! (*cool pose*)

Wow! You are going to be great geologists...oh, I mean rockhounds! A rockhound is an amateur geologist that likes to hunt for gems! Just like you are doing today...hunting for God's treasures!

I like to be called a Snack Shop geologist (*say with passion!*) because I like to create tasty gemlike treats!

Do you like to eat tasty gemlike treats? Well, let's get to it, rockhounds!

A Picnic Snack Shop host will come around and give you the choice of fruit you want in your Gemstone Parfait. You can choose one kind or choose all of them! It's your choice and I know you make good choices. The host will also place a little fruit on your plate...don't eat it yet!

Another Picnic Snack Shop host will come around and offer you some Jasper Canyon Cool Whip! You have a choice again!...You can choose to have the Jasper Canyon Cool Whip or choose not to have any. If you choose the Jasper Cool Whip you can

then decorate your Cool Whip with the gemstones on your plate or just add them to your gem mix.

Before we get started dishing out the gems, we always pray, here at the Picnic Snack Shop, to our amazing, creative, and awesome God. Please bow your head and fold your hands. (*Option: You can ask one of the kids to pray.*)

Dear Jesus, thank You for the tasty fruits You have provided! Oh, I mean gems! And thank You for being at Jasper Canyon with us! We love You! Amen.

Ok, here we go, rockhounds...make good choices and remember YOU are a special to God! Enjoy your tasty treat from the Jasper Canyon Picnic Snack Shop.

### Wrap Up

It's time to clean up! (*sing or say like a jingle*) Be sure all your throwaways are...well...thrown away! (*laugh*) And make sure your hands are clean before you hike on to your next station. (*Give each child a wet wipe and point out the garbage can.*)

Hope you enjoyed making and eating your Gemstone Parfait today, and that it helped to remind you that you are a special treasure to God! After all, Jesus made me special. (*thumbs up*) I dig it! (*cool pose*)

Bye for now, rockhounds! Remember to make good decisions today...and...YOU...are special!

## DAY 4—PETROGLYPH SWEETS



### Grocery Ingredients

- Graham crackers
- Bananas
- Orange juice
- Teddy Grahams

### Table Settings

- Small dessert plates
- Small water cups
- Organic brown napkins

### Utensils and Sanitizing

- Pitcher of water
- Tin pail
- Paring knife
- Wet wipes
- Hand sanitizer

### Ahead of Time

- Cut bananas lengthwise the length of a graham cracker square, and place in shallow dish of orange juice. Refrigerate.
- Open graham cracker packages and separate into squares (2 squares per child).
- Set at each place setting: Two graham cracker squares on small dessert plate, napkin, and cup of water.
- Open Teddy Grahams and pour into tin pail.

### Tip

Cut bananas to size ahead of time and place in shallow bowl of orange juice so they do not turn brown. Always plan extra to serve to your VBS volunteers!

### Instructions

1. Place one or two banana strips on each graham cracker square.
2. Insert Teddy Grahams into the banana so that the grahams are standing up.
3. Talk about how this represents your family.



### Welcome

**SAY:** Welcome to the Picnic Snack Shop! This week you have been discovering some real treasures!... But wait! You already know, I'm sure! YOU are a treasure to God...and a treasure to me! (*thumbs point to yourself*)

Here at the Jasper Picnic Snack Shop we like to keep our shop clean and sanitized...as well as our hands! (*wiggle fingers*) A Picnic Snack Shop host will come around and give you a squirt of hand sanitizer. Be sure to rub it all around your hands and in between your fingers!

Hmmm...that reminds me of our Daily Find: Jesus made me in His family. (*hug yourself and/or a neighbor*) I dig it! (*cool pose*)

You are great rockhounds! Rockhounds that go hunting for God's treasures!

You can call me Chef Snack Shop Geologist (*say with passion!*) because I like to create tasty petroglyph treats! Say that word with me: *Peh trow glif*. Good job!

Petroglyph means carvings that tell a story.

Today we are going to create a tasty work of art that is like a storyboard. Well (*swing your left arm to the right*), let's get to it, rockhounds!

Before we get started dishing out all the supplies for our tasty art, we always pray, here at the Picnic Snack Shop, to our amazing, creative, and awesome God...please bow your head and fold your hands. (*Option: You can ask one of the kids to pray.*)

Dear Jesus, thank You that we are part of YOUR family! And thank You for being at Jasper Canyon with us helping us make good decisions! We love You! Amen.



Whew! You are great rockhounds! Rockhounds that go hunting for God's treasures!

You can call me Chef Snack Shop Geologist (*say with passion!*) because I like to create tasty Mosaic Trail Mix!

Do you like to eat tasty Mosaic Trail Mix? Well (*swing your left arm to the right*), let's get to it, rockhounds!

Before we get started dishing out the Mosaic Trail Mix, we always pray, here at the Picnic Snack Shop, to our amazing, creative, and awesome God... please bow your head and fold your hands. (*Option: You can ask one of the kids to pray.*)

Dear Jesus, thank You for the tasty trail mix you have provided! And thank You for being at Jasper Canyon with us, helping us make good decisions! We love You! Amen.

A Picnic Snack Shop host will come around and give you a shovel to dig into the Mosaic Trail Mix. Carefully pour your diggin's into your cup. You can take a tiny bit or a shovel full...it's your choice and whatever you decide will be a good choice for you. Don't eat it yet! There is a surprise coming!

Another Picnic Snack Shop host will come around and offer you some Jasper Canyon rocks. You can choose to add them to your mosaic or not...the choice is yours and I know you will make the best choice for you. Oh, by the way (*whisper*), the rocks have chocolate inside them!



### Suggestion

The Picnic Snack Shop host can use a small spoon to get about 4-5 rocks. Let the child sprinkle the rocks onto their Mosaic Trail Mix...if they choose to add them.



Your Mosaic Trail Mix looks real tasty...you made good choices! And remember YOU are strong... you are smart...and you are special to God! Enjoy your tasty treat from the Jasper Canyon Picnic Snack Shop.

### Wrap Up

It's time to clean up! (*sing or say like a jingle*) Be sure all your throwaways are...well...thrown away! (*laugh*) And make sure your hands are clean before you hike on to your next station. (*Give each child a wet wipe and point out the garbage can.*)

I hope you enjoyed making and eating your Mosaic Trail Mix...and that it helped to remind you that you are a special treasure to God! Oh...ssshhhhh... don't tell the other rockhounds about the chocolate rocks! It's a surprise! And remember...Jesus made me smart. (*cross left arm across stomach to hold the right elbow; put right hand near face with pointer and middle finger upwards in a thinking pose, eyes off to the side as if thinking*) I dig it! (*cool pose*)

Bye for now, rockhounds! Remember to make good decisions today...and...YOU...are smart!

## DAY 2—FOSSIL CRACKERS



### Grocery Ingredients

- Whole wheat round crackers
- Soft cream cheese packets (optional: vegan cream cheese)
- Organic shredded carrots
- Raisins
- Celery

### Table Settings

- Small dessert paper plates
- Small water cups
- Organic brown napkins
- Amazon.com: Z Zicome Novelty Disposable Plastic Shovel Shape Dessert Spoon, Set of 50

### Utensils and Sanitizing

- Paring knife
- Pitcher of water
- Wet wipes
- Hand sanitizer

### Ahead of Time

- Clean and prepare vegetables. Cut celery into 2" full stem sticks. The celery will be used to make fossil tracks.
- Set at each place setting: small dessert plate, napkin, small shovel, and small cups of water.

### Tip

- Placing all the ingredients on each plate ahead of time will help the children have more time to create their fossil. Be sure to remind the children not to eat their "fossil making supplies" until you instruct them to do so.
- The children can drink their water anytime and be ready to refill as requested.



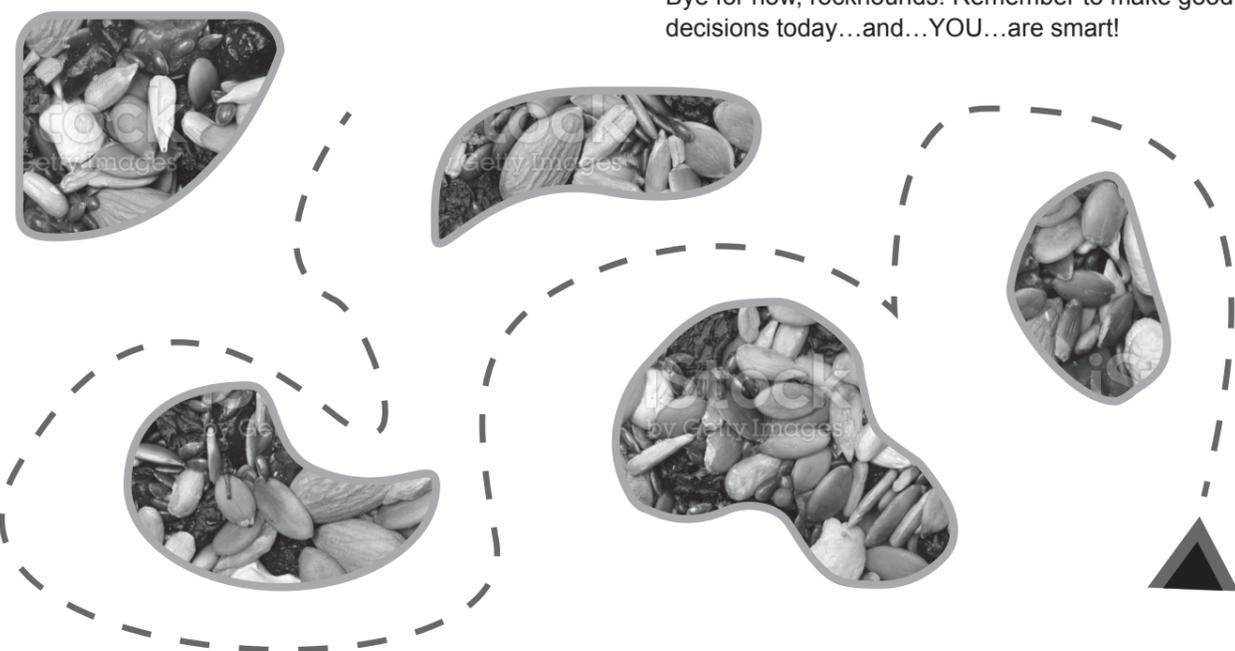
### Instructions

1. Spread a generous amount of cream cheese on two round crackers.
2. Arrange two raisins in the middle and press carrot shreds into the cream cheese all around the raisins to look like spiny legs.
3. Use the celery stick end to make imprints around the fossil.
4. Place the small shovel into the cream cheese to look like it is digging. Perfect! You can eat your celery stick while you admire your fossil.

### Welcome

**SAY:** Welcome back to the Jasper Canyon Picnic Snack Shop! We are always discovering treasures here in Jasper Canyon...wait a minute! YOU (*point to the kids*) are a treasure to God...and a treasure to me! (*thumbs point to yourself*) You look kind of thirsty! It's hot here in Jasper Canyon. You are welcome to drink your water anytime you choose.

Here at the Jasper Canyon Picnic Snack Shop we like to keep our shop clean and sanitized...as well as our hands! (*show your hands*) You probably already knew that! A Picnic Snack Shop host will come around and give you a squirt of hand sanitizer. Be sure to rub it all around your hands and in between your fingers! (*demonstrate*)



That reminds me of our Daily Find: Jesus made me strong. *(put up both arms as if showing off your biceps)* I dig it! *(cool pose)*

Wow! You are going to be great geologists...oops ...I mean rockhounds! *(smile real big)*

I am the Jasper Canyon Picnic Snack Shop geologist *(say with passion!)* because I like to dig up good recipes...like Fossil Crackers!

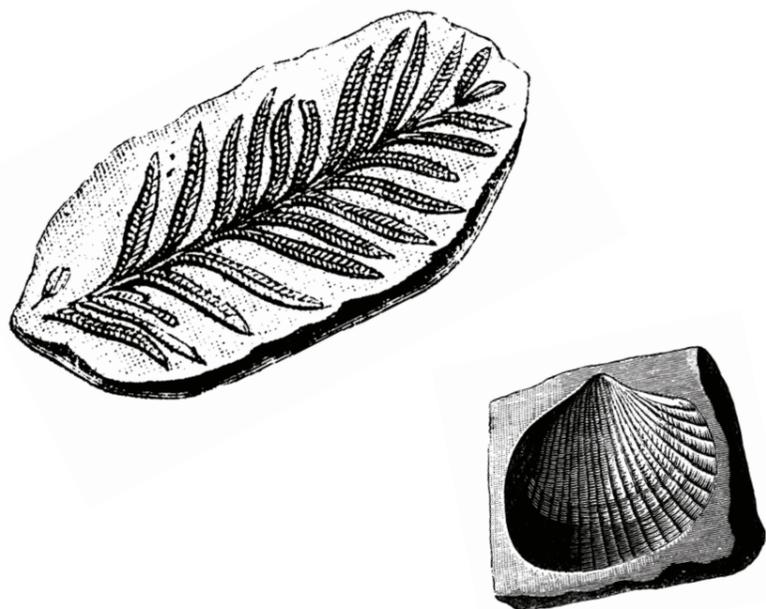
Do you like to eat Fossil Crackers? Sounds like something a rockhound would enjoy for sure! Well, let's get to it, rockhounds!

Before we get started dishing out snacks, we always pray, here at the Picnic Snack Shop, to our amazing, creative, and awesome God. Please bow your head and fold your hands. *(Option: You can ask one of the kids to pray.)*

Dear Jesus, thank You for the tasty crackers and vegetables You have provided! Oh, I mean fossils! And thank You for being at Jasper Canyon with us! We love You! Amen.

Your plate already has the supplies you need to create a very tasty Jasper Canyon fossil treat! There is a celery stick on your plate...but don't eat it yet!

First, use your little shovel to spread the cream cheese all over your two crackers. Try to get them even.



Then arrange two or three raisins, you choose, in the center of each of your crackers and surround the raisins with the carrot shreds. Looks kind of like a spiny fossil!

Now...the best part. Use your celery stick to make tracks around your fossil...and you can even use the end of your celery stick and press down where the head is supposed to be.

Now...if you choose, you can eat your celery stick as you admire your Jasper Canyon fossil. Oh...and...you can eat your fossil too!

### Wrap Up

It's time to clean up! *(sing or say like a jingle)* Be sure all your throwaways are...well...thrown away! *(laugh)* And make sure your hands are clean before you hike on to your next station. *(Give each child a wet wipe and point out the garbage can.)*

I hope you enjoyed making and eating your Fossil Crackers, and that it helped to remind you that you are a special treasure to God! After all, Jesus made me strong. *(put up both arms as if showing off your biceps)* I dig it! *(cool pose)*

Bye for now, rockhounds! Remember to make good decisions today...and...YOU...are strong and special!



## DAY 3—MOSAIC TRAIL MIX



### Grocery Ingredients

- Rice Chex cereal
- Raisins
- Banana chips
- Carob chips
- Mini pretzels
- Amazon.com: Assorted Color Rock Candy Crystals 2 Pound Bag Hoosier Hill Farm Original Chocolate Rock Candy Nuggets (1 lb)

### Table Settings

- Clear squatty cups—9 oz heavy duty
- Small dessert plates
- Small water cups
- Organic brown napkins
- Plastic spoons

### Utensils and Sanitizing

- Pitcher of water
- Small beach shovels
- Large mixing bowl
- Small serving spoon
- Tin pail or beach bucket
- Wet wipes
- Hand sanitizer

### Ahead of Time

- Mix a big batch of trail mix but do not add the rock candy.
- Set at each place setting: small dessert plate with tumbler on top, napkin, spoon, and cup of water.

### Instructions

1. Gently combine all trail mix ingredients in a big bowl. Do not add the rock candy.
2. Pour package of rock candy in sperate bowl.
3. Serve Mosaic Trail Mix first to each child (or let the children use small picnic shovel to serve themselves).
4. Serve rock candy, giving each child about 1-2 tablespoons.



### Tip

Make a batch to gauge the amount it will serve. Always plan extra to serve to your VBS volunteers!



### Welcome

**SAY:** Welcome to the Picnic Snack Shop! Today we are going to discover some real treasures!...Wait! We already discovered a real treasure and that is YOU. *(point to the kids)* You are a treasure to God... and a treasure to me! *(thumbs point to yourself)*

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