

Lesson 4

Biting Back

Grades 4th – 6th

Lesson Objectives:

Participants will be challenged to get involved personally with the efforts of *HIS Nets*.

Materials Needed

Display all mosquito models, nets, posters and visual aids used during the unit.
HIS Nets Brochures for each student (copies are on the website at www.hisnets.org)
Commitment cards (see attached)
8 ½" X 5 1/2" White Cardstock*(or see suggestion below) markers, crayons, pencils, acrylic paint.

As the students arrive

Have them look at the things they've made during the unit and ask them to be ready to share their ideas about how they can help.

Lesson Content

In large group, review the past three lessons and the story of Kwame. Have students tell you what they learned about malaria and how they might help provide the insecticide mosquito nets to children like Kwame. Ask them to share their ideas about raising funds. Take all suggestions without comment. You may want to write them down on a marker board, chart tablet or chalkboard for reference.

As a group, talk about one or two ideas which you would most likely be able to accomplish. Set a group goal. You may want to set it in dollar amounts or number of nets. *You will need to direct this discussion based on your community, parent/family involvement and/or group structure. Individual donations are acceptable, but if they make personal sacrifices or earn the funds themselves, their efforts will have more of a personal impact.*

Activities

- Have students set a personal goal and write this on their commitment card. (see attached) Make suggestions regarding what is reasonable (based on the demographics in your group)
- On 8 ½" x 5 ½" paper have students write notes or draw pictures to send with their donations. Have them draw pictures of themselves or things they like to do. Make sure they include their first name and the name of their community. *An alternative would be

to create one group project (poster, banner, or flag.) Have students sign it or stamp their hand/fingerprints on the edge.

- Have students select one of their favorite games learned in the past two lessons and play them again.

Application / Closure

Plan your strategies for fund raising. Collect commitment cards and create notices for parents. Send the student's artwork and materials from the unit home with them as reminders of their goal, along with a brochure from **HIS Nets** for parents.

Follow-Up

After fund raising is complete, plan a celebration. Report the total contribution amounts. Have students figure out how many nets will be purchased and approximately how many people or families will benefit from their generosity.

You may want to have them help you package the contribution and get it ready for mailing or take a trip to the mailbox!

Send contributions to:

HIS Nets

205 East Main

Norman, OK 73071

Make sure you specify the source of the contributions and a mailing address where we may contact you.

For further information call (405) 447-2471

E-mail by going online to www.hisnets.org Follow the contacts link on the home page.