A Gift of Love: The Life of Saint John Paul II
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GALLERY 8: A Great Gift

8. Christ has left the Church many gifts. What did John Paul II call the gift of Christ “par excellence”? Why is this the greatest gift?

GALLERY 9: Universal Call to Holiness

9. Find a photo or name of a saint or blessed who was canonized or beatified by Pope John Paul II, and read about him or her. How can the example of this saint or blessed help you to follow Christ more faithfully?
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Student Guide B

GALLERY 1: Beginnings

1. Name one thing that impressed you in the opening video.

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GALLERY 2: Light in Darkness

2. From his earliest days as a priest, Karol Wojtyla understood the importance of relationship for man. He liked to meet often with groups of friends or students to spend time together learning, praying, and appreciating the outdoors. What are some of the outdoor activities Wojtyla loved to take part in? Have you ever done any of these activities with your family or friends?

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GALLERY 3: Election to the Papacy

3. Select one panel on the replica of the Holy Doors of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, and then look at the description on the wall to the right of the Holy Door and write down what the scene is called.

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GALLERY 4: Man, the Way of the Church

4. There is a quote on the left wall as you enter this gallery. What does John Paul II say man cannot live without?

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GALLERY 5: Mary, Mother of the Church

5. Watch the footage of the assassination attempt on Pope John Paul II, and listen to his speech from the hospital afterwards. Then, look in this gallery and write down what Pope John Paul II did for the man who tried to assassinate him.

GALLERY 6: The Dignity of the Human Person

6. Find the missing words in the following sentence: “Christianity teaches that every human being is created in the _________ and __________ of God.”

GALLERY 7: The Rosary and the Mysteries of Light

7. The Rosary is a prayer that involves thinking about different events in the life of Christ, while asking for the help of his Mother, Mary.
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   2. __________________________________________________________
   3. __________________________________________________________
   4. __________________________________________________________
   5. __________________________________________________________

GALLERY 8: A Great Gift

8. What is a monstrance used for? (Hint: There is one in this gallery!)

GALLERY 9: Universal Call to Holiness

9. Find a photo or name of a saint or blessed who was canonized or beatified by Pope John Paul II, and read about him or her.
   How can the example of this saint or blessed help you to follow Christ more faithfully?
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Student Guide C

GALLERY 1: Beginnings
1. Name one thing that impressed you in the opening video.

GALLERY 2: Light in Darkness
2. Karol Wojtyla spent many of his years as a priest, a bishop, a cardinal, and eventually pope writing and teaching about God’s plan for marriage and the family. Find a book in this gallery written by Karol Wojtyla that deals with the theme of love, marriage, and self-gift.

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3. Select a panel on the replica of the Holy Doors of St. Peter’s Basilica in Rome, and then look at the description on the wall to the right of the Holy Door and write down the name of the scene.

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6. How many United States presidents met with Pope John Paul II? What are their names?

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GALLERY 8: A Great Gift
8. What illness did Pope John Paul II suffer from in the last years of his life? Where did he go on his last pilgrimage?

GALLERY 9: Universal Call to Holiness
9. Can you name a virtue or quality of Saint John Paul II that you would like to imitate?
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Answer Key

GALLERY 1: Beginnings
1. Name one thing that impressed you the most in the opening video.
   - Answers will vary.

GALLERY 2: Light in Darkness
2. a. Did you know Pope John Paul II didn’t always have that name? When a cardinal becomes Pope, he usually takes a new name. What name was Pope John Paul II given when he was born? What was his nickname growing up?
   - Karol Wojtyla [pronounced voy-TIH-wah]. Lolek.

   b. From his earliest days as a priest, Wojtyla understood the importance of relationship for man. Wojtyla liked to meet often with groups of friends or students to spend time together learning, praying, and appreciating the outdoors. What are some of the outdoor activities Wojtyla loved to take part in? Have you ever done any of these activities with your family or friends?
   - Skiing, camping, hiking, etc.

   c. Karol Wojtyla spent many of his years as a priest, a bishop, a cardinal, and eventually as Pope writing and teaching about God’s plan for marriage and the family. Find one book in this gallery written by Karol Wojtyla that deals with the theme of love, marriage, and self-gift.
   - Correct answers are Love & Responsibility and The Jeweler's Shop.

GALLERY 3: Election to the Papacy
3. a. When a pope is chosen, what color smoke appears from a chimney above the Sistine Chapel in St. Peter’s Basilica? What is the Latin phrase used to announce that a new pope has been chosen? What does it mean in English? (Hint: You heard this in the video earlier.)
   - White smoke. Habemus Papam.- We have a pope.
b. Select one panel on the replica of the Holy Doors of St. Peter’s Basilica in Rome, and then look at the description on the wall to the right of the Holy Door and what the scene is called. 
- Answers will vary.

c. What was the key message of Pope John Paul II at the beginning of his pontificate? There are three words in particular that you heard in the video of his first homily. What are they? 
- “Be not afraid.”

GALLERY 4: Man, the Way of the Church

4.

a. What was the first country officially visited by Pope John Paul II on his first apostolic pilgrimage? 
- Mexico.

b-c. There is a quote on the left wall as you enter this gallery. What does John Paul II say man cannot live without? 
- Love.

GALLERY 5: Mary, Mother of the Church

5.

a. Watch the footage of the assassination attempt on Pope John Paul II, and listen to his speech from the hospital afterwards. Where did the attempt take place? What Feast Day was it? 
- St. Peter’s Square in Rome. He was shot on May 13, 1981, the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima. Pope John Paul II believed that Our Lady protected him from the assassin’s bullet that day and preserved his life.

b. Watch the footage of the assassination attempt on Pope John Paul II, and listen to his speech from the hospital afterwards. Then, look in this gallery and write down what Pope John Paul II did for the man who tried to assassinate him. 
- Pope John Paul II visited Mehmet Ali Ağa in prison and forgave him.

c. Pope John Paul II had a very strong devotion to Our Lady. What was Pope John Paul II’s episcopal motto? What does it mean? 
- Totus Tuus. Totally yours. It is taken from the Marian consecrating prayer in the book True Devotion to Mary by Saint Louis de Montfort. The complete text of the prayer in Latin is: ”Totus tuus ego sum, et omnia mea tua sunt. Accipio te in mea omnia. Praebe mihi cor tuum, Maria.” (“I belong entirely to you, and all that I have is yours. I take you for my all. O Mary, give me your heart.”)

GALLERY 6: The Dignity of the Human Person

6.

a. What event did that Church celebrate in the Great Jubilee Year of 2000? 
- The two thousandth anniversary of the birth of Christ.
b. Find the missing words: “Christianity teaches that every human being is created in the __image__ and ____likeness____ of God.”

c. How many United States presidents met with Pope John Paul II? Can you name them?

**GALLERY 7: The Rosary and the Mysteries of Light**

7. The Rosary is a prayer that involves thinking about different events in the life of Christ, while asking for the help of his Mother, Mary. What are the five Luminous Mysteries that Pope John Paul II added to the Rosary in 2002?
   1. The Baptism of Our Lord in the River Jordan
   2. The Wedding Feast at Cana
   3. The Proclamation of the Kingdom of God
   4. The Transfiguration
   5. The Institution of the Eucharist

**GALLERY 8: A Great Gift**

8. a. Christ has left the Church many gifts. What did John Paul II call the gift of Christ “par excellence”? Why is this the greatest gift?
   - The Eucharist. It is the gift of Christ’s whole self: body, blood, soul, and divinity

b. What illness did Pope John Paul II suffer from in the last years of his life? Where did he go on his last pilgrimage?
   - Parkinson’s disease. He went on a pilgrimage to Lourdes to be in solidarity with all of the sick around the world.

c. What is a monstrance used for? (Hint: there is one in this gallery!)
   - It is used to hold the Holy Eucharist for adoration by the faithful.

**GALLERY 9: Universal Call to Holiness**

9. a-b. Find a photo or name of a saint or blessed who was canonized or beatified by Pope John Paul II. Read about him or her and write down something you learned. How can the example of this saint help you to follow Christ more faithfully.
   - Answers will vary.

   c. What is one virtue or quality of Pope John Paul II that you saw in his life that you would like to imitate?
   - Answers will vary.
Quotes from Pope Saint John Paul II

Game A

Name__________________________

Can you find the correct words for these quotes of Saint John Paul II in our exhibit? Fill in the blanks with words from the “word bank.”

(Hint #1: Some of these quotes by Saint John Paul II are written on the exhibit walls, some of them are written on the panels, and some of them are spoken by him in the videos!)

1. “Open wide the __________ to Christ!”
2. “Do not __________ your conscience. Conscience is the most secret core and sanctuary of a person, where we are alone with God.”
3. “The __________ is the basic cell of society. It is the cradle of life and love, the place in which the individual is ‘born’ and ‘grows’.”
4. “Man cannot live without __________.”
5. “The __________ is like a touch of eternal love upon the most painful wounds of man's earthly existence.”
6. “America...the ultimate test of your greatness is the way you treat every human being, but especially the __________ and most defenseless ones!”
7. “I pray for the brother who shot me, and whom I have sincerely __________.”
8. “You are the men and women of tomorrow. The __________ is in your hearts and in your hands.”
9. “__________, a message that convinces without the need for words, is the living reflection of the face of Christ.”

Word Bank (Hint #2: Not all the words below will be used!)

family Pizza doors Holiness weakest stifle
love cross helicopters pardoned smart phones future
Answer Sheet – A

1. doors
2. stifle
3. family
4. love
5. cross
6. weakest
7. pardoned
8. future
9. Holiness
Quotes from Pope Saint John Paul II

Game B

Name__________________________

Can you find the correct words for these quotes of Saint John Paul II in our exhibit? Fill in the blanks with words from the “word bank”!

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1. “Be not ____________!”
2. “The Gospel is not a theory or an ideology, the Gospel is ____________.”
3. “Man...cannot fully find himself except through the sincere gift of ____________.”
4. “I am asking you to build bridges of dialogue and ________________ with your parents. No splendid isolation! Communication! Love!”
5. “If you are what you should be, you will set the world ____________.”
6. “The Church draws her life from the ________________.”
7. “The Church has received the Eucharist from Christ her Lord not as one ________________...among so many others, but as the gift par excellence.”
8. “Let me go to the ________________ house.”
9. “The genuine face of ________________ has to be ever revealed anew...mercy seems particularly necessary for our times.”

Word Bank (Hint #2: Not all the words below will be used!)

Father's life television mercy ablaze the moon
afraid self candy Eucharist communication gift
Answer Sheet – B

1. afraid
2. life
3. self
4. communication
5. ablaze
6. Eucharist
7. gift
8. Father's
9. mercy