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## How To Plan A Youth Retreat

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INTRODUCTION

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Thank you for buying 'How How To Plan A Youth Retreat To Plan A Youth Retreat' – we hope you'll find it as useful as we think it will be.

We know that planning a youth retreat takes a lot of organization and preparation, so this book takes you through the different stages step-by-step. It breaks down areas like the youth retreat budget, helping you to create an affordable – and accurate – budget.

Many youth retreats are run by churches, but we know other organizations and charities also run retreats. We've therefore tried to make this book applicable to all types of youth retreats as much as possible, whether they're faith-based or not. You'll notice some small sections titled "Cross Culture" though – these are extra thoughts more relevant to churches that How To Plan A Youth Retreat are running a youth retreat.

This book isn't all you get How To Plan A Youth Retreat though. Throughout the book, we mention various different documents – Budget Tables, Parent Cost Feedback forms, Parental Consent forms, Risk Assessments, etc. How To Plan A Youth Retreat These are all important and useful resources How To Plan A Youth Retreat when planning a youth retreat, so we wanted to make them available to you as an added bonus for buying this book.

We've therefore produced these as Word and Excel documents for you to be able to download and print How To Plan A Youth Retreat off yourself. This means you can amend these documents so that they're individually tailored for your youth retreat.

When these free forms and templates are mentioned in the book, they are shown How To Plan A Youth Retreat in bold, italicized and underlined, e.g. ***Budget Table***

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## WHY RUN A YOUTH RETREAT?

Before you start planning the youth retreat, ask yourself, “**What do we want to achieve with this retreat?**”

Some find it helpful to work in a group How To Plan A Youth Retreat setting so they can bounce ideas off each other. If this is you, sit down with 1-2 key volunteers or trusted youth worker friends and/or colleagues.

You may find that you only have one objective, or it might be that you have several. Either way, here is a list of some reasons to run a youth retreat:

### **1) There’s a theme you want to cover over a weekend**

Sometimes in your youth work, you’ll want to be able to go much deeper on a subject that’s just not possible in a one hour session. A youth retreat gives you the chance to focus on How To Plan A Youth Retreat this subject over an entire weekend.

### **2) Youth get a stronger faith while on a retreat**

If your retreat is faith-based, you might have found that away from the hustle and bustle of their normal lives, your youth develop a deeper relationship with God.

### **3) You have a number of new youth How To Plan A Youth Retreat in your group**

A youth retreat gives a fantastic opportunity for the new young people to be integrated with the

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existing group, with relationships being built much more quickly than would happen normally.

#### **4) You have a new youth pastor, youth workers or volunteers**

Similar to point 3, How To Plan A Youth Retreat a retreat is also a great chance for new staff or volunteers to get to How To Plan A Youth Retreat know the youth.

#### **5) You want to get to know the youth more**

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