

Zoom In: Media in the Program

Hello and welcome! In this video, I will explain how media is organized on the student-home website and demonstrate how to access it effectively.

Using Program Content

The *Growing in Faith, Growing in Christ* program is rich with different types of educational media, such as videos, songs, online activities, and Bible stories. All of the resources under “Media by Unit” and “Media by Type” can be used in the classroom and at home.

Before you begin, decide whether you would like to browse program content by unit or by type. Let’s try browsing by unit first. Select the “Media by Unit” button on the home page, or select “Media by Unit” from the navigational menu at the top of the page.

Under “Media by Unit,” the media is organized based on where it appears in the *Growing in Faith, Growing in Christ* Student Book. The student book is organized into five units and within each unit, the media is also organized by media type.

Let’s say you are looking for online activities that relate to the topics in Unit 4. Start by selecting “Unit 4” from the menu tabs. Note that the title of the unit is listed to the left. Now, select “Activities” from the list of media types. This menu will expand to display all of the online activities related to Unit 4. Select an activity from this menu and wait for it to open in a new tab or window. Use the “School and Home Tip” for guidance on how to use each activity fully and effectively. When you are finished, close this activity and return to the student-home website.

Of the media types you see on this page, there are two buttons that do not expand to display a menu. They are called “eText” and “Letter to Families”. Select “eText” to open the digital version of the Student Book. The eText will open to the first page of the unit from which you started. For information on the eText, please review our video “How to Use Your eText”.

Select “Letter to Families” to open a PDF that explains what your child will be learning in religious education this unit.

Now let’s try browsing media by type. Remember, you can navigate to this page either by using the navigational menu at the top of the page, or by clicking on the appropriate button on the home page.

In Grades 1 and 2, there are four types of media: videos, songs, activities, and Bible stories. In Grades 3 and up, there are two additional types of media: Faith Journeys and the Image Gallery. Under each category, you will find every instance of that media listed in the order in which it appears in the Student Book. For example, the songs and their lyrics and scores from units 1 to 5 are found under the “Songs” tab. Click on a song or instrumental version to open it in a modal window. You can access the lyrics and score from here as well. Select “Close” or click away from the modal window to return to the student-home website.

Let’s try another example from Grade 3. Select the “Faith Journeys” menu tab. Select any of the entries here to download the Faith Journey as a .kmz file. This file type can only be opened in Google Earth, a free program from Google that allows you to explore places anywhere on Earth! For detailed instructions on how to use Faith Journeys in Google Earth, select “How to Navigate Your Faith Journeys” on the website.

In Grade 3, the Image Gallery collects all of the illustrations and photos from the Student Book and Posters and organizes them in order of appearance. Select a unit or poster to expand the Image

Gallery. Select any image to open it in a modal window. You may select “Download” to copy the image onto your computer’s hard drive, or close the modal pop-up to return to the website.

Conclusion

This concludes our demonstration of the media on the *Growing in Faith, Growing in Christ* student-home website. Still have questions? Check out our other videos to see if we can help. Thank you for watching!