



Lead Student Lesson Plan

L02: Alma 30-35

Main Purposes

- Learn a study skill and decide how to use it to better understand the scriptures.
- Learn from and teach others gospel principles found in the Book of Mormon through a selected directed study activity.
- Take deliberate action to develop Christ-like attributes.

Student Preparation

Students were asked to prepare for gathering by completing specific activities and/or pondering certain questions. Please refer to the gathering instructions in this week's unit or lesson in the course.

Lesson Outline

As the Lead Student this week you will facilitate the Thursday Gathering. The times given for each activity are suggested times. The Gathering should not last more than 60 minutes. Try to make sure that the main purposes of the gathering are met each week.

OPENING	LED BY MISSIONARIES
Announcements, Hymn, and Prayer (10 minutes)	Announcements Opening Hymn: Chosen by missionaries Opening Prayer: By Invitation
CLASS ACTIVITIES	LED BY LEAD STUDENT
Review and Introduction (10 minutes)	Lead Student to Class Follow-up from previous week: Begin with asking the following question: Is there anyone who would like to share their successes or challenges in applying principles/concepts discussed during last week's gathering? Discuss this week's content: Next, share with the group what you learned this week as you studied and pondered the week's reading

	assignment in the scriptures and/or how you applied principles and concepts from the previous week. Ask questions: Prepare a few thoughtful questions which will encourage students to share new insights and thoughts that they gained through their scripture study this week. Break up into pairs if desired and then share with the larger group. *HINT*: Consider questions that are open-minded and allow classmates to make connections and to provide support to their answers, etc. Using “what, when, why, or how” questions are great ways to begin.
Study Skills (10 minutes)	Whole Class Purpose: (Study Skills) The purpose of "doing" leads us to "becoming" the person we can be and the one Heavenly Father needs us to be. Make sure that you create meaningful examples of application in studying the scriptures. Everything in this course is designed to help you and your classmates become strong disciples of the Savior through thoughtful and engaged scripture study. Choose one of the nine study skills listed in the Book of Mormon Study Skills document that has yet to be presented. If all have been presented, then you should choose one that you would like to review. During gathering, take up to 10 minutes to provide a short demonstration on how to personally apply the study skill as well as presenting a reason as to why/how this skill can deepen one's understanding of the scriptures. You can include the audio explanation/example. Be creative! Invite others to share their experiences and examples too. Come up with a few questions to have people share their own experience in using the study skill presented that evening. Remember that you should only spend a total of 10 minutes on this activity so use your time wisely. Encourage the students to practice the items that will be discussed in the gathering this week and to come next week ready to discuss the new insights that they gained. Study Skills Example: Choose a few scriptures that you read this week in which you substituted your name within the scriptures. Read a few of them aloud and ask everyone else to substitute their own name in the appropriate places etc.

Directed Study Activity

(25 minutes)

Small Groups

For the activity below, the class will be divided into small groups of 6-8. Encourage students not to sit with the same people each week. The lead student and missionaries should walk around and listen to the discussions, giving input as needed.

Purpose: (Directed Study)

The prepared directed study activities help you to dig deeper in applying and demonstrating learned concepts and principles that are found in the week's scripture readings. Encourage everyone to seek the guidance of the Holy Ghost as they work in groups to complete a selected Directed Study activity—found at the end of this lesson plan

Lead Student:

Review the Directed Study activity at the **end of this document**. Print copies to bring to the gathering. Or you could have the students pull up this week's lesson plan on their computers and scroll down to the directed study when it's time.

- Divide the large group into smaller groups so that they can select the Directed Study option that they wish to complete as a group. Refer to the Group Activities section of the Lead Student Guide for creative ideas on ways to break people into groups. Remind each group that they will need to choose an option quickly so that they can complete it within 20 minutes. Remind each group that everyone is to have a responsibility in completing the activity. Group members can decide how to divide up the completion of their selected activity, as long as everyone is involved.
- For the next 20 minutes, groups will work together to complete their selected Directed Study activity. Once completed, it is important to note that even though groups work together to complete the activity, each member of the group will need to report the completion of the assignment separately to the online instructor through the Gathering Attendance Report in I-Learn. They can include the same information as other group members, as well as providing some personal insight to describe the overall learning experience.
- Once the 20 minutes has passed, reconvene together as a class and briefly review what everyone discussed.
- Possible questions to help you wrap up the experience:
 - How can/does this activity apply to you personally?
 - How can the outlined activity better help you to study the scriptures?
 - How do you plan to apply learned concepts and principles in the upcoming weeks?
 - How does this activity prepare you for becoming a better disciple of Jesus Christ?

	○ If you could teach someone else this week one of the principles learned through the outlined activity you chose, what would you share and why?
Reflection and Call to Action (5 minutes)	Lead Student to Class Share your testimony of what you have learned through this activity. Invite everyone to reflect upon what they have learned this evening and consider the following questions: • How does their learning this evening affect the person they want to become? • Does it affect their Disciple Progress project? How? • What action item are they going to perform as a result of the learning this week? Remind the class to report their attendance in their Learning Report in I-Learn and invite them to share their learning in their "Post-Gathering Discussion Board" in I-Learn.
CLOSING	LED BY MISSIONARIES
Prayer	Closing Prayer: By Invitation

Remember: You need to be able to contact each other and stay organized. Use the method that works best for your gathering group (texts, email, Facebook, etc.).

Note

Please download and print a copy of these instructions to use as a reference during Thursday's Pathway Gathering.



L02: Directed Study (Alma 30-35)

Instructions

Choose one of the options below for use in the small group discussion during gathering.

Option #1: Lessons about Prayer

- What can we learn as we compare the Zoramites' prayer with Alma's prayer in Alma 31?
- What additional insights about prayer can we gain from Amulek's teachings in Alma 34:17-27?
- How can these teachings help you improve your own prayers?

Option #2: Having Faith in the Atonement of Jesus Christ

- Alma 30 contains Korihor's teaching that there is no Christ, and Alma 31 contains the Zoramites' belief that there is no Christ. Search the teachings of Alma and Amulek in Alma 32-34 for how individuals can successfully experiment upon the word of God and develop faith in Jesus Christ and in His atoning sacrifice.
- How have you gained faith in the Savior's atonement?