

“Because You Said So: Mother’s Day”

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What In this heart-warming reader’s theater skit, children and teens share the lessons that our mothers teach us and bring new meaning to the often-used phrase, “because I said so.”

Themes: Mother’s Day, Family, Thank You, Parenting, Women’s Ministry, Mom

Who Voice 1- male age 14+
Voice 2- female age 14+
Voice 3- male age 8-12
Voice 4- female age 8-12
*Note that you may choose to have any number of Voices and may assign lines in any manner that works best for the number of actors you have.
You may also assign each voice to an actor of any gender.

When Modern day

Costumes and Props Black binders for each Voice if reading

Why Proverbs 4:11-12

How This play is made up of a collection of lessons that mothers have been passing down to their children for generations. Some are funny, some are practical, and others are sweet. **You can choose to use all of the lessons or only some.** Actors can memorize the pieces or read their individual parts.

Time Approximately 3-4 minutes

One by one, as they say their lines, each Voice will enter the stage. Time these entrances so there are no pauses or silence in between each line.

Voice 1: It's Mother's Day, so we wanted to take a minute to let all the moms out there know we've been listening...

Voice 2: All the times you told us to do something...

Voice 3: Or not do something.

Voice 4: You might have thought we were ignoring you.

Voice 1: But we were paying attention.

Voice 3: Trust me.

Voice 4: Because you're so important to us, Mom.

Voice 2: And because you said so.

All Voices are now onstage. After a pause, they begin to share the lessons their mothers taught them.

Voice 3: I always keep my hands to myself...even when my little brother has a toy I really, really want and called dibs on...because you said so.

Voice 1: I throw away the carton of orange juice after I finish it instead of putting it back in the fridge empty...again...because you said so.

Voice 2: When I'm having a tough day, I try to remember that laughter is the best medicine...because you said so.

Voice 4: I actually cleaned my room and didn't just shove everything under my bed this time...because you said so.

Voice 1: I keep the freezer door shut on really hot days, even though it feels so nice to stick my face in there...because you said so.

Voice 3: I always finish all my homework before I play video games...well, most of the time, anyway...because you said so.

Voice 1: When life gets tough, I give my problems to God and I trust that he will be there for me...because you said so.

Voice 4: When I pick dandelions, I rub them under my chin to see if I like butter (*leans forward, putting a hand to mouth, aside*) which is super weird if you ask me (*straightens up*) ...because you said so.

Voice 2: Whenever I'm sad I turn the music up really loud and dance it out...because you said so.

Voice 3: I know that even when you aren't looking at me, you can see what I'm doing because you have eyes on the back of your head...because you said so.

Voice 4: I read stories from my Bible to help me learn about God and Jesus because you said so.

Voice 1: I did not feed the dog the rest of my sandwich...even though he *really* wanted some...because you said so.

Voice 2: I did all the practice math problems before the big test even though I didn't want to...because you said so. (*shrugs and smiles*) And I got an A, so yeah...thanks.

Voice 4: I always make sure to play with the new kid at school so they know they have a friend...because you said so.

Voice 1: I stayed awake through the entire ballet, even though it was super boring, because you were trying to expose me to culture...and because you said so.

Voice 3: I stopped asking "why" even though I really, really, really wanted to know because I already asked "why" twenty times....and because you said so.

Voice 2: I read the book before I see the movie, because the book's always better anyway...and because you said so.

Voice 4: I did not touch the dead mouse in the mousetrap even though it looked really soft...because you said so.

Voice 2: I don't get involved in gossip no matter how tempting it can be...because you said so.

Voice 4: I try to eat all my broccoli at dinner but it's really hard because it smells like (*giggles*) well, you know...because you said so.

Voice 1: I put my shoes away in my closet instead of leaving them wherever I take them off, so that you don't trip on them and break your neck...because you said so.

Voice 2: I take communion to connect with Jesus and to honor the sacrifice He made for me...because you said so.

Voice 3: I never ride my mattress down the stairs like a surfboard...not after what happened the last time...and because you said so.

Voice 4: I do not put on your lipstick and eyeshadow even though it makes me look beautiful because I'm too young for makeup...and because you said so.

Voice 2: I say please and thank you at the dinner table...because you said so.

Voice 3: I always keep a little pack of tissues in my backpack, because my sleeve is not a tissue...and because you said so.

Voice 1: If I can't say something nice, I don't say anything at all...well, most of the time anyway...because you said so.

Voice 3: I always wash my hands before dinner because, *(in a Mom voice)* "you never know where those hands have been"...and because you said so.

Voice 4: I always treat others the way I'd like to be treated...because you said so.

Voice 2: I try not to get jealous of others and am happy for the successes of my friends because women support other women...and because you said so.

Voice 1: I did not spend all my money on a super rare collectible from my favorite band and saved some for a rainy day...because you said so.

Voice 3: I eat all my mashed potatoes instead of making sculptures out of them...because you said so.

Voice 2: I make sure to conduct myself like a lady, but never forget to live life and get my hands dirty every once in awhile...because you said so.

Voice 1: I always know I can come to you when I have a problem, no matter how big or small...because you said so.

Voice 3: I say my prayers every night before I go to bed because I know God listens to me...and because you said so.

Voice 4: I didn't color on the walls even though I had a brand new box of crayons and the wall was super plain and boring...because I got in big trouble the last time I did that...and because you said so.

Voice 2: I told myself I could do it...even when I wasn't sure I believed it myself...because you said so.

Voice 1: I know that many of life's problems can be solved with a hug and a warm chocolate chip cookie...because you said so.

Voice 3: I do not draw a mustache on my baby brother in permanent marker, even though he looks really good with a mustache...because you said so.

Voice 4: I did all my chores before I played outside with my friends...because you said so.

Voice 3: When I no longer play with a toy, I donate it kids who are less fortunate...because you said so.

Voice 2: I try to look on the bright side, and find the silver lining, even though sometimes it's hard... because you said so.

Voice 4: I know your kisses can heal my boo-boo's, because they're magical...and because you said so.

Voice 1: Every evening I look at the sunset and thank God for the day he has given me...because you said so.

Voice 3: So, thank you, Mom.

Voice 2: For teaching us right from wrong.

Voice 4: For keeping us safe.

Voice 1: For showing us when it's time to have fun.

Voice 3: And when it's time to be quiet and rest.

Voice 2: Because without your love, your strength, your compassion, and your advice, we wouldn't be who we are today.

Voice 4: For all that you do for us, today and every day, Happy Mother's Day, Mom.

Voice 1: And know that wherever we go, and whatever we do, we'll always be there for you, just as we know you'll always be there for us, for the rest of our lives.

All: Because you said so.

Lights out.