

The Family Component

CHAPTER FOUR

A photograph of several middle school students gathered around a table, looking at something on the table. The image has an orange tint.

Middle School

A photograph of a group of young people, likely at a confirmation ceremony, smiling and looking towards the camera. The image has a blue tint.

Confirmation

A photograph of a group of young people sitting on a couch, engaged in conversation. The image has a green tint.

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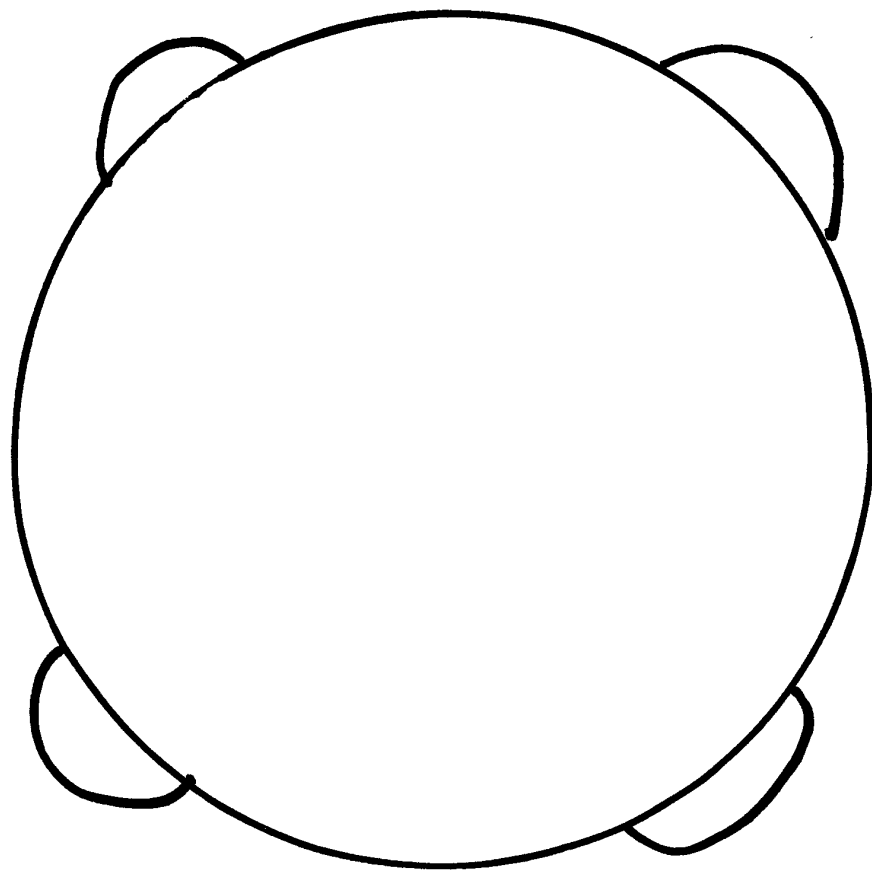
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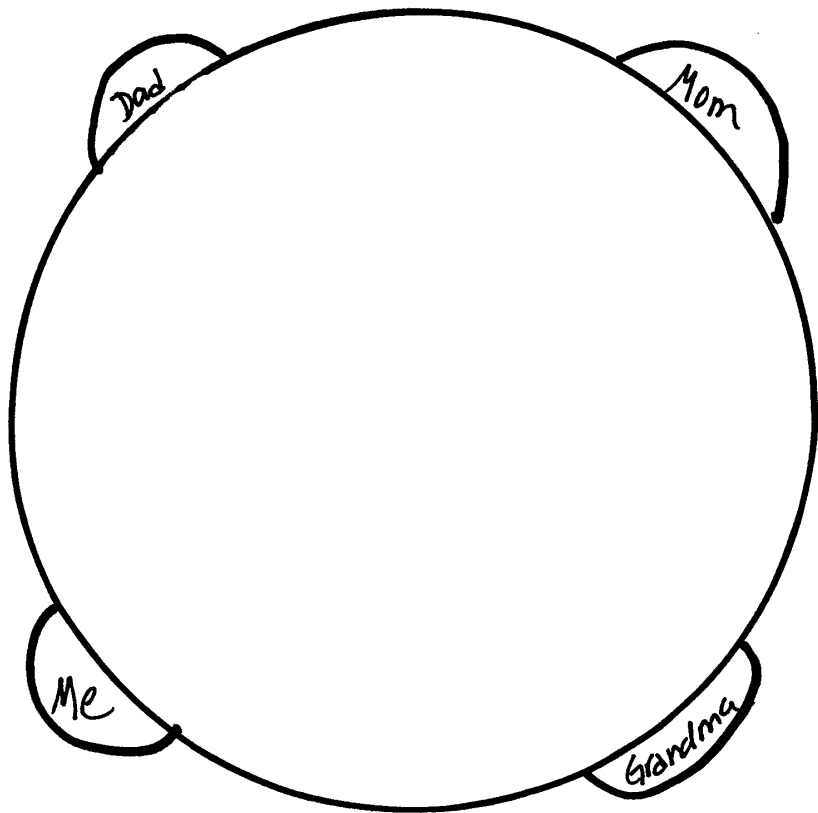
A dark wood dining table with a bench and four chairs. The table is rectangular and has a smooth finish. The bench is long and narrow, with a light-colored cushion. There are four chairs with light-colored cushions and dark wood frames. A bright yellow square is located in the top right corner of the image.

Where did you sit?



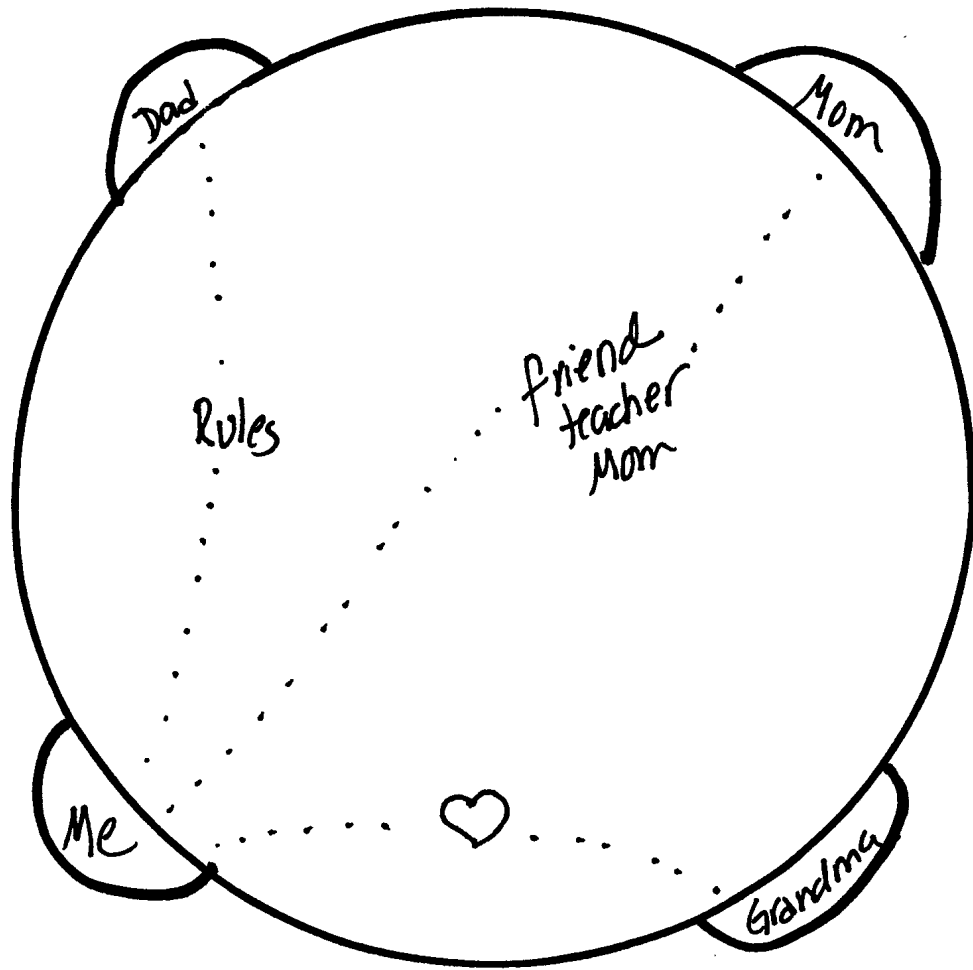


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Share your story



The family that eats together thrives together. Mealtime has historically been a time of family togetherness. Plus, if you're getting multiple generations together, then there is tapestry of diversity in terms of ages and interests and that is just so good for kids.

Bible Family



The Ten Commandments

1 - I AM THE LORD THY GOD.
THOU SHALT NOT HAVE
STRANGE GODS BEFORE ME.

2 - THOU SHALT NOT TAKE THE
NAME OF THE LORD THY
GOD IN VAIN.

3 - REMEMBER THAT THOU KEEP
HOLY THE SABBATH DAY.

Love God Above ALL



4 - HONOR THY FATHER AND
THY MOTHER.

5 - THOU SHALT NOT KILL.

6 - THOU SHALT NOT COMMIT
ADULTERY.

7 - THOU SHALT NOT STEAL.

8 - THOU SHALT NOT BEAR
FALSE WITNESS AGAINST
THY NEIGHBOR.

9 - THOU SHALT NOT COVET
THY NEIGHBOR'S WIFE.

10 - THOU SHALT NOT COVET
THY NEIGHBOR'S GOODS.

*Love Thy Neighbor
as Thyself*

A few more

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do.

Colossians 3:12-13



A few more

Train the young in the way they should go; even when old, they will not swerve from it.

Proverbs 22:6



Children, obey your parents [in the Lord], for this is right. "Honor your father and mother." This is the first commandment with a promise, "that it may go well with you and that you may have a long life on earth." Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up with the training and instruction of the Lord.

Ephesians 6:1-2

Who taught you to pray?

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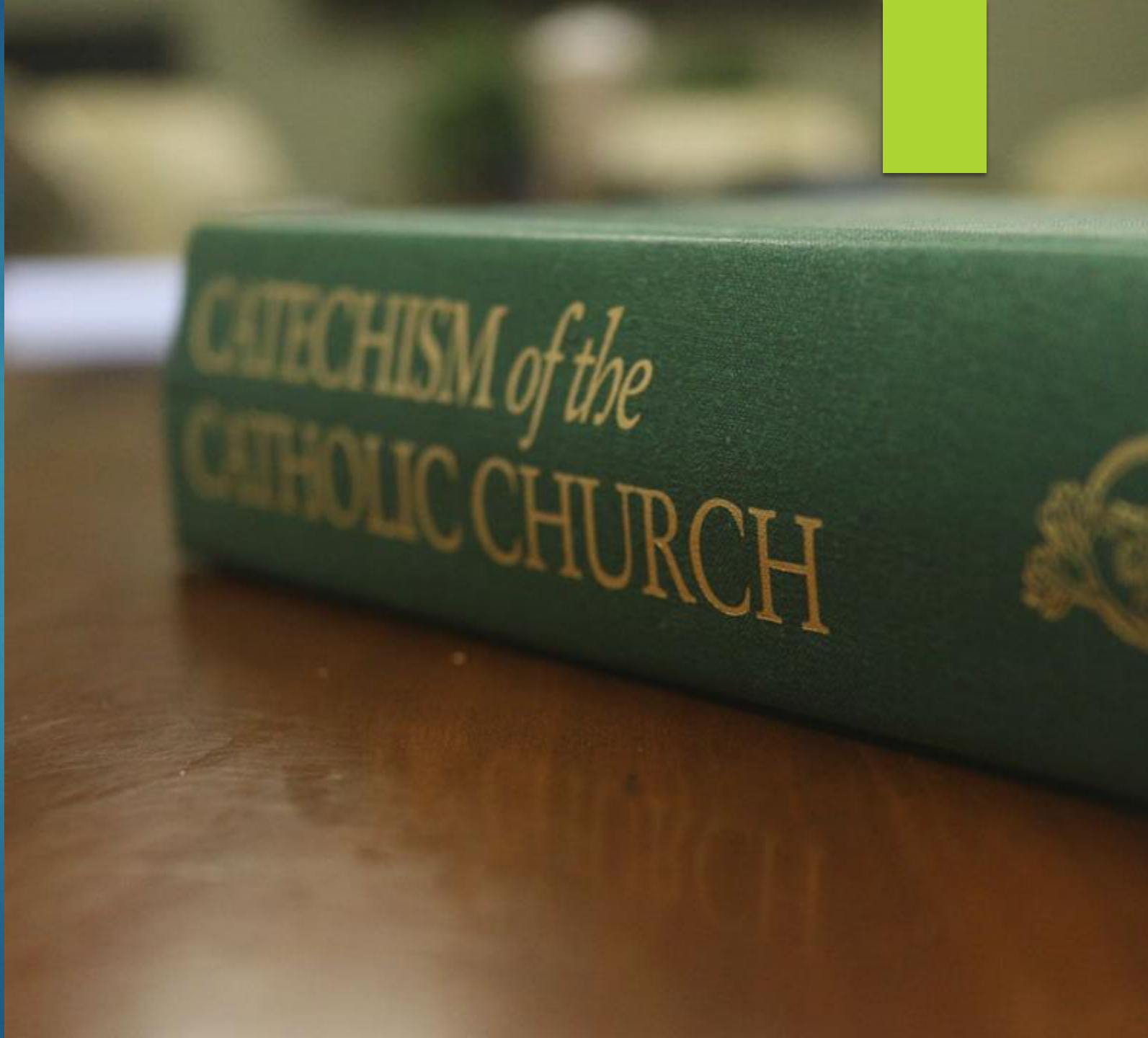
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The Catechism Family



“The Christian home is the place where children receive the first proclamation of the faith. For this reason the family home is rightly called ‘the domestic church,’ a community of grace and prayer, a school of human virtues and of Christian charity.” (CCC #1666)



Families represent the Church of the home, what has been called 'the domestic church'. Families grow and develop and mature over time. The everyday activities of family life—celebrating, learning, sharing, spending time together, serving others, praying, loving—mirror the actions of the Church. Families are a microcosm of the larger Church! What we do as family, the Church herself does.



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- ▶ forming a community of persons
- ▶ serving life
- ▶ participating in the development of society
- ▶ sharing in the life and mission of the Church



Need additional checkers at the market during Confirmation session time?



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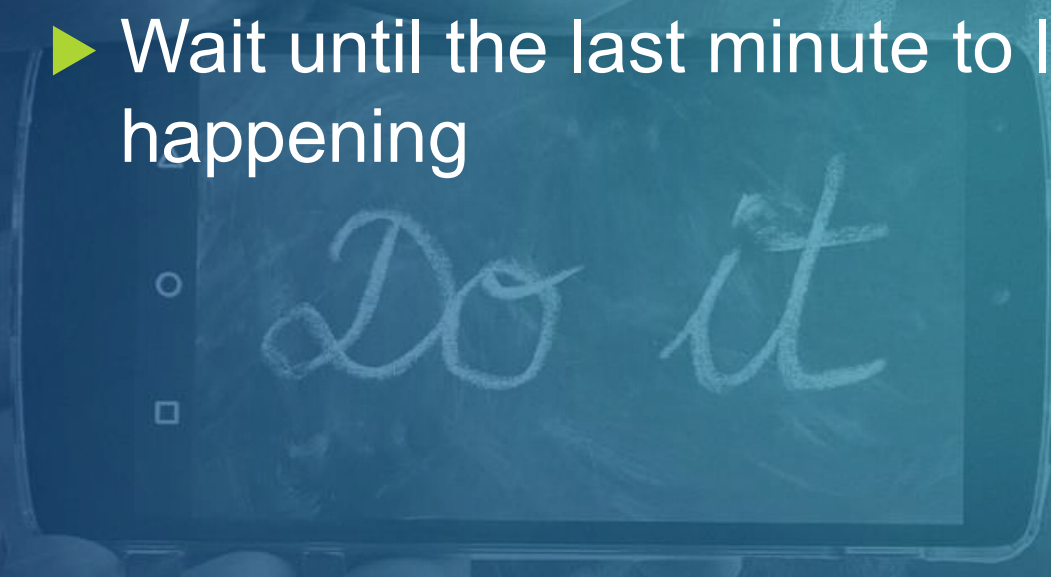


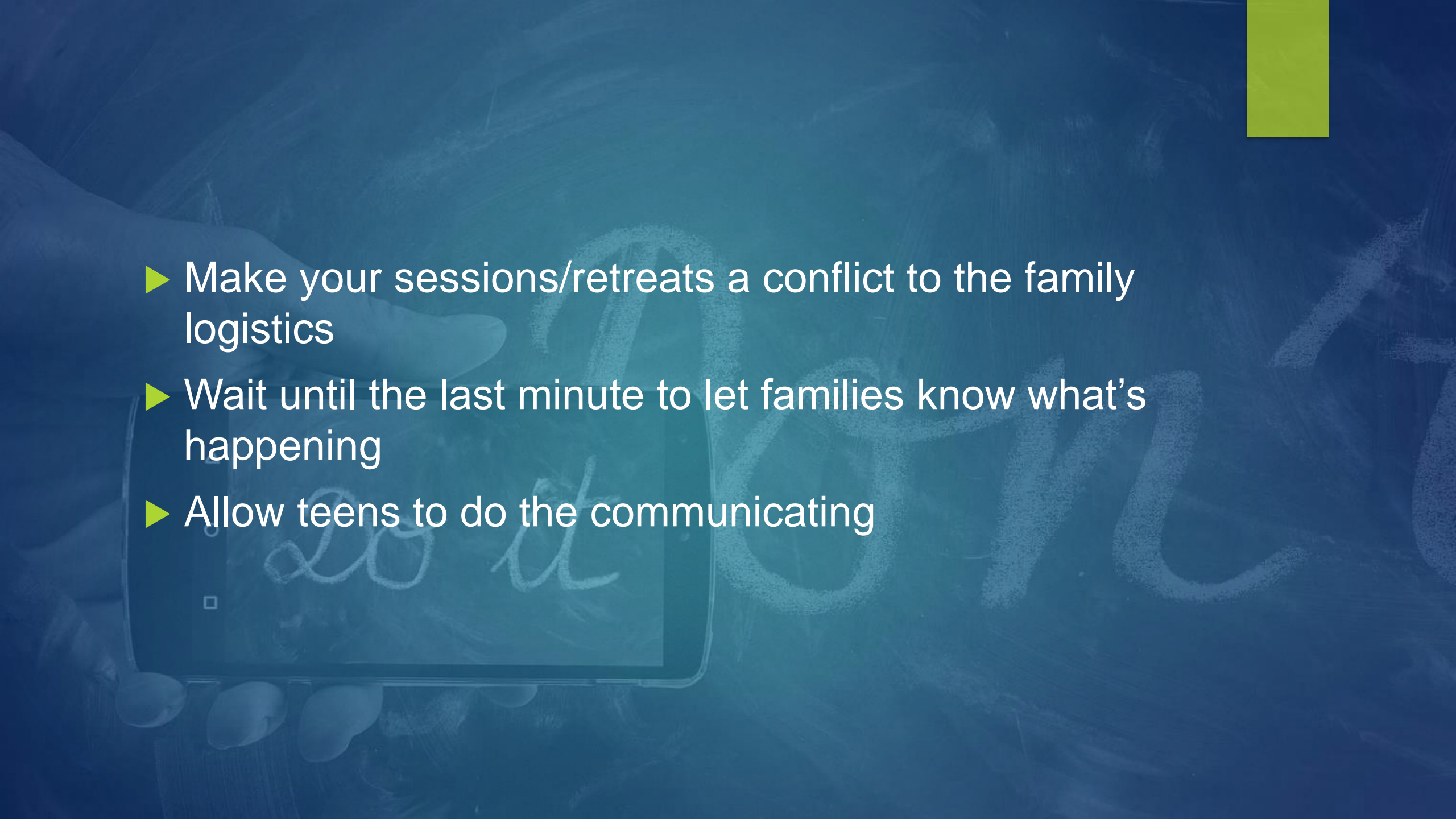


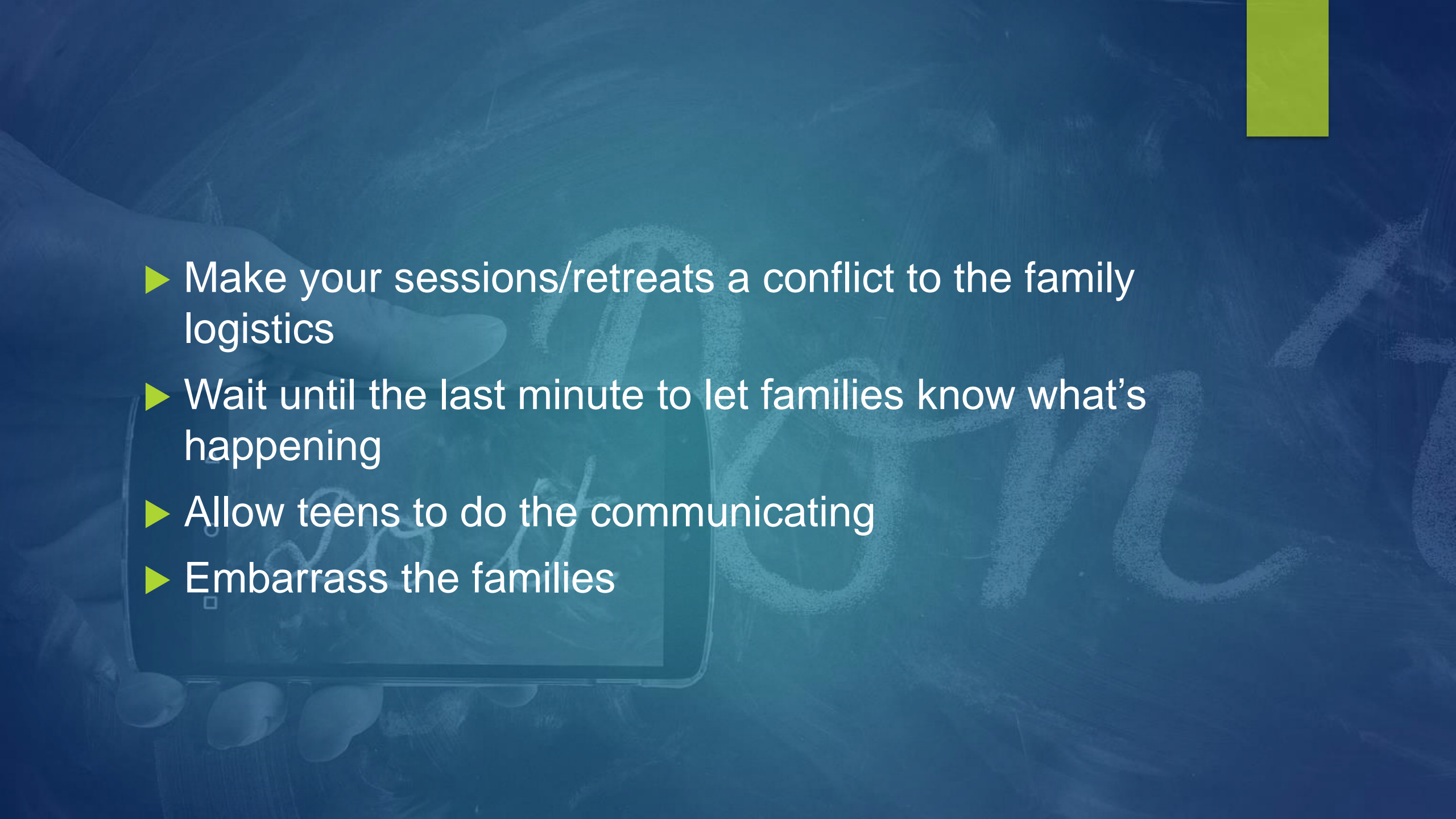
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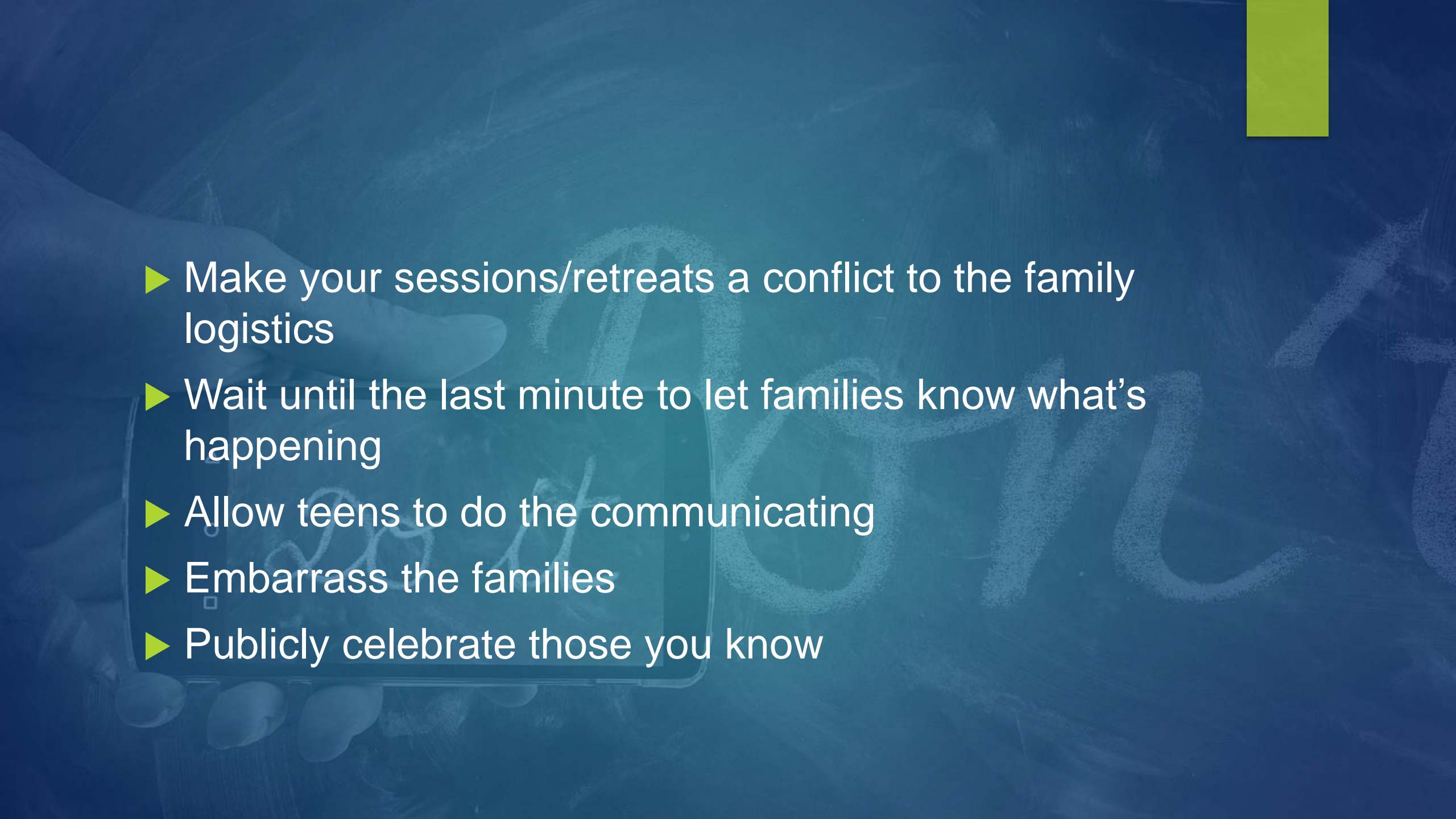
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 - ▶ Publicly celebrate those you know

- ▶ Move from involvement to engagement.
- ▶ Do family interviews
- ▶ Newsletters/bulletin/website
- ▶ Family sessions
- ▶ Volunteering



Engagement

Parent involvement, the way we've traditionally thought about it, emphasizes participating in and attending activities. Research now suggests we expand how we think about involvement and take on a broader concept of family engagement. What's the difference? Family engagement is an active, interactive, dynamic, and ongoing process in which family members...engage as equal partners in decision making, planning, and implementation to support children and adolescents across settings.



Interviews

At these interviews allow the families to learn about their child and the process. We learn what is working, listen to their concerns. Then we pray together



Keep them informed

- Email early
- Keep the bulletin up-to-date
- Use social media (keep it fresh)
- Keep, reminding folks
- And don't forget to brag about the teens



Family Sessions

- Formation for the grownups
- Retreat together
- Information sharing



Volunteering

- We catechists are super heroes
- We need our helpers the ones who makes us look good.



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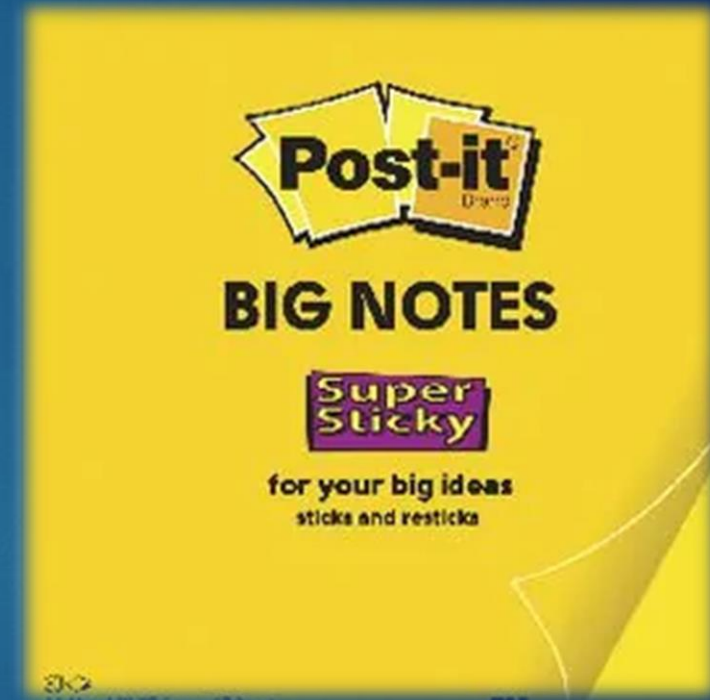
How you're going to engage families?

You have three minutes.



Ready to roll up your sleeves?

Write your idea on this note pad and post them. Make sure to have your spokesperson standing next to the idea to explain it.



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