

# GOSPEL RULES

## Celebrities

Celebrities is a game that has been around for decades and has gone by many names. You do not need to purchase anything to play this game. You can look up the rules online but here are the basics:

- Players write down the name of famous people on slips of paper. 5-6 names per player is ideal. Make sure each name is only used once. The slips should go into a hat or something else they can be drawn from.
- Players divide into two teams that alternate turns.
- In the first round, one player on a team describes the name without saying it and her teammates guess. If they guess right she moves to the name on the next slip of paper. She has one minute to do this. After the time expires, the other time has its turn. They take turns until every name has been guessed. Each team earns one point per correct guess.
- In the second round, players have to act out the name. Everything else stays the same.
- In the third round, players use words again but only one word per name. Everything else stays the same.

These Gospel Rules come from Mark 2:12. Look it up.

### Use the ordinary rules for Celebrities along with these Gospel Rules:

1. Each player must use at least two names from the list provided below.
2. The teams may refer to the list during the 1<sup>st</sup> round of play. (And 2<sup>nd</sup> round if they really need it.)
3. Use person-first language while describing the name. For example say, "a person who plays basketball," or "a person who uses a wheelchair," or "a person who surfs," or "a person who is blind," or "a person who sings," or "a person who has prosthetics."



**Adedoyin  
Olayiwola**



Athlete / TV Host

**Daniel Inouye**



Senator

**Esref  
Armagan**



Artist

**Annette  
Kellerman**



Actor / Designer

**Blake Leeper**



Athlete

**Danielle Burt**



Surfer / Doctor

**Vilissa  
Thompson**



Activist

**Sudha  
Chandran**



Dancer

**DeOndra  
Dixon**



Philanthropist

**Aimee  
Mullins**



Athlete / Model

**Eliza Suggs**



Writer

**Frida Kahlo**



Artist

**Hannah  
Cockroft**



Athlete

**Harriet  
Tubman**



Nurse / Leader

**Thristan  
Mendoza**



Musician

**Stevie  
Wonder**



Musician

**Hellen Keller**



Writer

**Hikari Ōe**



Composer

**Itzhak  
Perlman**



Musician

**Jorge Luis  
Borges**



Writer

**José Feliciano**



Musician

**Lai Chi Wai**



Climber

**Liza Longoria**



Philanthropist

**Stephen  
Hawking**



Scientist



**Want to explore these Gospel Rules further?  
Here are some prompts to help you do that:**

Celebrities is a game built around reducing a person to the things that are most identifiable about them. Many of the names we gave you are probably new to you but several should be familiar.

Take Hellen Keller, she was an incredible person who accomplished so much. And she also happened to be blind.

**Why is it difficult to reduce a person to one quality that isn't their obvious disability?**

In Mark 2:3-12 Jesus heals a man who lived with paralysis but also happened to be great friends with at least four other people and was brave and bold enough to break through a ceiling. He sounds like an amazing person, yet even Jesus (at least as the author of Mark records it) repeatedly calls him "the paralytic."

**After this man was no longer paralyzed, do you think people continued to call him "the paralytic?" If not, what did they call him?**

**In one or two of your own words, what is the game-changing idea behind these Gospel Rules?**