

Parent & Child Activity Calendar

Elementary School

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
November 2017			1 Start a savings jar. Family members can decide on what the goal will be and how they will contribute.	2 Find a book that describes holidays around the world. Choose a new holiday to observe, or invent one.	3 When you're in the supermarket, choose a new squash to try.	4 Resist the urge to overschedule your child. Kids need some downtime to think, imagine and play.
5 Does your child know whom to call in an emergency? Make a list to post on your refrigerator. Practice what to say.	6 Talk with your child about mistakes. How can people learn from their mistakes?	7 Help your child make her own dictionary with spelling or vocabulary words.	8 When you watch TV, ask your child questions: "Was what that person did a good idea?" "What would you have done?"	9 Put various objects on a tray. Have your child look at the items, then close his eyes and name as many as he can remember.	10 Have a music-sharing night. Share your favorite music with each other. Talk about how it makes you feel.	11 Collect leaves, bark, sticks and branches with your child. Challenge her to make a tree by gluing the items to paper.
12 Make up trivia questions about your family. Quiz one another at the dinner table tonight.	13 Talk with your child about ways to handle stress. Exercising and talking to someone are two effective remedies.	14 Show your child pictures of three different people and ask him to make up a story about each person.	15 Set aside time every day for reading aloud. Have your child read to you, too.	16 At dinner, have each family member say something nice about every person at the table.	17 Do a crossword puzzle with your child. It's a great way to learn new words.	18 Have your child write directions for making a sandwich. Then follow them exactly. How did it turn out?
19 Today is the anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. Read it aloud with your child.	20 Write a note to your child and tuck it where she will find it later.	21 Make an effort to reinforce manners today. Remind your child to say <i>please</i> and <i>thank you</i> .	22 Make a list of all the things that make your family members thankful.	23 Tell your child some family stories as you show him family pictures. See if he can identify any of the people.	24 At the grocery store, have your child compare two sizes of the same product. Which is the best buy?	25 Find a kid-friendly recipe. Help your child make that dish today.
26 Create a word search by hiding words in a grid and surrounding them with random letters. Let your child find the words.	27 Does your child know your state bird? If not, help her look it up.	28 If your child could be any famous person from history, who would he be? Why?	29 Ask your child to pretend she's the mayor. What three things would she do to make your community a better place?	30 It's the birthday of Mark Twain. Read one of his short stories with your child.		