

Parent & Child Activity Calendar

Elementary School

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
November 2014						1 With your child, keep a record of the moon this month. Look at the moon every night and draw what it looks like.
2 Set aside some time to spend one-on-one with your child today.	3 Read a textbook assignment with your child. Then ask her to tell you about it in her own words.	4 Watch or read the weather forecast together today. Locate the hottest and the coolest locations on a map.	5 Resist the urge to overschedule your child. Kids need "down time" to think, imagine and play.	6 Play Alphabet Mixup. Choose a word and put the letters in alphabetical order. Can your child figure out the word?	7 Play a game of charades with your child. Use hand gestures and motions to describe your word.	8 Ask your child to draw a picture of winter.
9 Put various objects on a tray. Have your child close his eyes and name as many as he can remember.	10 Ask your child what she would do if she were invisible for a day.	11 Help your child make his own dictionary with spelling or vocabulary words.	12 When you're in the store, ask your child to figure how much tax you will be charged.	13 If you don't have time to read to your kids at night, read in the morning. It's a real "power breakfast."	14 Trace your child's hand on paper. Think of ways to be a helping hand. Write her ideas on the drawing.	15 Talk about how your family can do something for others this holiday season.
16 Choose a recipe from another country or culture. Prepare it with your child.	17 Ask your child to pretend he's Mayor for a day. List three ideas to make your community a better place.	18 Watch the news with your child and choose a "Person of the Week." Read more about that person.	19 Today is the anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. Read it aloud with your child.	20 Have your child write directions for making a sandwich. Then follow them exactly.	21 Plan a "No TV" evening. Read or play games instead.	22 Ask your child to help you organize something, such as a closet.
23 Have dinner by candlelight.	24 Talk with your child about a choice you've made. Be sure to talk about the consequences of that choice.	25 Create a word search by hiding words in a grid and surrounding them with random letters. Can your child find the words?	26 Challenge your child to do a secret good deed for a friend or neighbor.	27 Together, write a poem about your family. Start each line with a letter from the word FAMILY.	28 Tell your child three things that you love about her. Have her tell you three things that she loves about you.	29 Ask your child to name something he has done in his life that he is proud of.
30 Read a book about your town or state.						