

Parent & Child Activity Calendar

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
April 2016					1 April is Mathematics Awareness Month. Take time to review math with your child each day this month.	2 This is also National Poetry Month. Go to the library with your child and check out a few books of poetry.
3 Encourage your child to sort her books by subject. She can use the library's system or invent her own.	4 Check on your child's grades. If necessary, help him make a plan to raise them before the school year ends.	5 Ask your child to imagine life 150 years ago. How about 150 years in the future?	6 April is Stress Awareness Month. Talk with your child about ways to handle stress. She could exercise or talk to a friend.	7 Ask your child what people make up a family (mother, aunt, child.) Tell him there are many kinds of families.	8 Have a music-sharing night. Share your favorite music with each other. Talk about how it makes you feel.	9 As you do errands, help your child talk with people about the jobs they do.
10 Using permanent marker, mark off inches on the side of a clear jar. Set outside. See how many inches of rain you get in one week.	11 Good report card? High grade on a test? Make your achiever "King or Queen for a Day."	12 Talk about fire safety today. What should your child do in case of a fire? Teach her an escape route from her bedroom.	13 Play math "Jeopardy" as a family. Give a number. Who can come up with a problem for which it is the answer?	14 Have your child draw an upside-down picture today.	15 Together, write a poem about your family. Start each line with a letter from the word FAMILY.	16 Look for ways to involve your child in your hobbies. For example, if you are a runner, take your child for a short jog.
17 Give your child some sidewalk chalk. Work on math problems outside together.	18 Find a new way to say "I love you"—in sign language or in secret code.	19 Teach your child a favorite song from when you were his age.	20 Brainstorm ways your family could help beautify your neighborhood.	21 Look through magazines with your child for pictures containing 90-degree angles. Create a collage of these angles.	22 Choose a TV show to watch together. Then, ask your child what she thought about the show you watched.	23 Are you taking a car trip? Take along some audio books.
24 Have your child write a poem or story from the point of view of a family pet.	25 Practice division. Ask your child, "How many of your lifetimes has Grandma lived? Aunt Sue?"	26 Use a toothpick dipped in lemon juice or milk to write a message to your child. To decipher, hold the paper up to a light bulb.	27 It's the birthday of Samuel Morse. Have family members send messages to each other in Morse Code.	28 Make puppets with your child by drawing faces on the bottom flaps of small paper bags.	29 Send your child something through the mail. She will be thrilled.	30 Take a fraction walk with your child and record your findings: 3/6 of cars are blue; 4/5 of houses have gray roofs.