

# Parent & Child Activity Calendar

## Elementary School

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>March</b>		<b>1</b> Ask your child to describe the most beautiful place she has ever seen.	<b>2</b> Today is Read Across America Day. To celebrate, spend some extra time reading with your child.	<b>3</b> Talk about three ways you used math today. Ask everyone in the family how they used math.	<b>4</b> March is National Nutrition Month. Include your child in planning and preparing a healthy meal.	<b>5</b> Books that win the Caldecott Medal have great illustrations. Help your child find one at the library.
<b>6</b> With your child, fold paper to make different types of airplanes. See which ones fly the best.	<b>7</b> Have each family member make a list of his or her strengths. Read them aloud. Add to one another's lists.	<b>8</b> Get a deck of cards and try to build a house of cards with your child. Ask questions about school and life as you work.	<b>9</b> Learn a new word at breakfast. Challenge family members to use it three times during the day.	<b>10</b> Ask your child to look through the newspaper and report on an interesting story at dinner tonight.	<b>11</b> A rebus is a story in which some words are replaced with pictures. Make a rebus with your child.	<b>12</b> For five minutes, you and your child each start writing a story. Then swap papers and finish each other's story.
<b>13</b> Let your child help you make a family chore chart. Everyone can check off jobs as they are finished.	<b>14</b> At the grocery store, have your child estimate how many apples are in two pounds. Use the scales to check.	<b>15</b> Does your child use the Internet? Monitor the sites he visits. Talk about online safety.	<b>16</b> Ask your child questions that require more than a <i>yes</i> or <i>no</i> answer: "What was your favorite part of the story?"	<b>17</b> Can your child think of a different ending to her favorite story? What would she do if she met the characters?	<b>18</b> Play board or card games as a family tonight.	<b>19</b> Let your child clean some dirty pennies with ketchup. Explain that they get shiny due to a chemical reaction.
<b>20</b> Create a word search for your child. Hide words in a grid and surround them with random letters.	<b>21</b> Talk about the five food groups with your child. Together, classify the foods in your cupboard.	<b>22</b> Ask your child to calculate the average age of family members. Add up ages and divide by number of family members.	<b>23</b> Have your child rank homework assignments from easiest to hardest. Have him do the hardest one first.	<b>24</b> Write a note to tell her you love her. Put it in a place where only she will find it.	<b>25</b> At dinner, have each family member say something nice about every person at the table.	<b>26</b> Take an early morning walk with your child. Look for signs of spring.
<b>27</b> Collect bright yarn and fabric scraps. Put in a mesh bag and hang on a tree. See if birds take some to build a nest.	<b>28</b> Trace your child's hand on paper. Think of ways to be a helping hand. Have him write his ideas on the drawing.	<b>29</b> Have your child teach you something she needs to learn for homework. It's a great way to reinforce learning.	<b>30</b> Decide on a location anywhere in the world. Take turns telling one thing you would like to see there.	<b>31</b> Help your child make his own dictionary with spelling or vocabulary words.	<b>2016</b>	