

# Parent Pointers

## Calendar

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>April 2020</b>			<b>1</b> April is Math Education Month. Take time to review math with your child each day this month.	<b>2</b> Fitting in is crucial to middle schoolers. Minimize your battles over clothes and hair.	<b>3</b> Have your child make an audio recording of key ideas from a chapter he's reading and play them back to study.	<b>4</b> Encourage your child to volunteer. She can help her community while learning about others.
<b>5</b> Play a game with your child—cards, charades, a board game—whatever he'd like.	<b>6</b> Listen to your child's concerns but discourage whining.	<b>7</b> Mention how something you studied in school has helped you at work.	<b>8</b> Remember that children learn from your actions more than your words. Focus on setting a good example.	<b>9</b> Talk to your child about why it's important to report bullying to an adult.	<b>10</b> Take a walk late tonight and look at the sky. Can your child pick out any constellations?	<b>11</b> Visit the library and encourage your child to check out a book of poetry.
<b>12</b> When you are having a conversation, don't talk more than 30 seconds at a time before letting your child have a turn.	<b>13</b> Encourage your child to read the newspaper every day this week. Choose a story to discuss.	<b>14</b> Prepare a healthy snack that your child can eat when she gets home from school.	<b>15</b> Index cards are great for studying. Students have room to write down only the most important points.	<b>16</b> Tell your child to keep a notebook handy when reading. He can jot down unknown words and look them up later.	<b>17</b> Ask your child to plan and schedule a fun family night.	<b>18</b> Let your child take over a responsibility you've previously done for her. Present it as a positive step.
<b>19</b> Have breakfast with your child today. Talk about what he likes best about his friends.	<b>20</b> Write a nice note to your child and stick it in a place where she will find it later.	<b>21</b> When your child studies for a test, have him start at a different place in his notes every time.	<b>22</b> Celebrate Earth Day by doing something good for the environment, such as recycling.	<b>23</b> When reviewing your child's work, comment on answers she got right before looking at the ones she missed.	<b>24</b> Keep a map or globe visible in your home. Your child will learn by referring to it regularly.	<b>25</b> Give your child a notepad and ask him to record "A day in the life of our family."
<b>26</b> Look for a skill you and your child can learn together. It's a fun way to get to know her on a new level.	<b>27</b> It's the birthday of Samuel Morse. Send messages to each other in Morse Code.	<b>28</b> Check on your child's grades. If necessary, work with his teacher to help him raise them.	<b>29</b> Do everyday things with your child, such as washing dishes, to gain more time together.	<b>30</b> Review what your child should do in an emergency, such as a natural disaster or a fire.		