

Parent Pointers

Calendar

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
July 2020			1 Plan to get some exercise with your child every day this month.	2 Will your child need a back-to-school physical? Make an appointment today.	3 Watch a science or technology show with your child.	4 Read the Declaration of Independence with your child today. Talk about why it was written.
5 Help your child make a plan for redecorating or rearranging his room.	6 Let your child see you reading often. This teaches her that reading is important and fun.	7 Take turns making statements with your child. Identify each one as either <i>fact</i> or <i>opinion</i> .	8 See if you can find someone in a job that interests your child. Could he visit this person at work?	9 Encourage your child to spend some time daydreaming this summer. This boosts her imagination and reduces stress.	10 Try to have a rhyming conversation with your child. It may be tough at first, but you'll get better!	11 Spend 20 minutes on DEAR time today (Drop Everything And Read).
12 Try a new recipe with your child. This helps him practice following directions.	13 Have your child list her priorities in life. Does her schedule reflect what's most important to her?	14 Ask your child to describe the perfect day. What makes it so special?	15 If your child has strong opinions on an issue, encourage him to write a letter to the editor of your newspaper.	16 Give your child the facts about sex—and discuss how your values relate to the facts.	17 At bedtime tonight, tell your child a story about yourself at her age.	18 Challenge your child to build a bridge that can support the weight of 25 pennies using only paper and tape.
19 Start a project with your child, such as repairing or building something.	20 Ask, "What do you wish we did differently at home?" Be open to your child's suggestions.	21 Check your child's summer reading list. Is she making progress?	22 Let your child make cookies or cupcakes and take them to a neighbor or friend.	23 Encourage your child to start a puzzle today.	24 Head outside and have a family water balloon fight tonight.	25 Go on a picnic with your child today.
26 Is your child's room messy? Set the timer for a 15-minute pick-up blitz.	27 Challenge your child to make a music video for his favorite song.	28 Does your child need something new to read? Suggest she swap a favorite book with a friend.	29 Have your child use old magazines to make a summer collage.	30 "Because I said so!" may be frustrating for middle schoolers to hear. Explain your reasoning.	31 Ask your child to make dinner for the family tonight.	