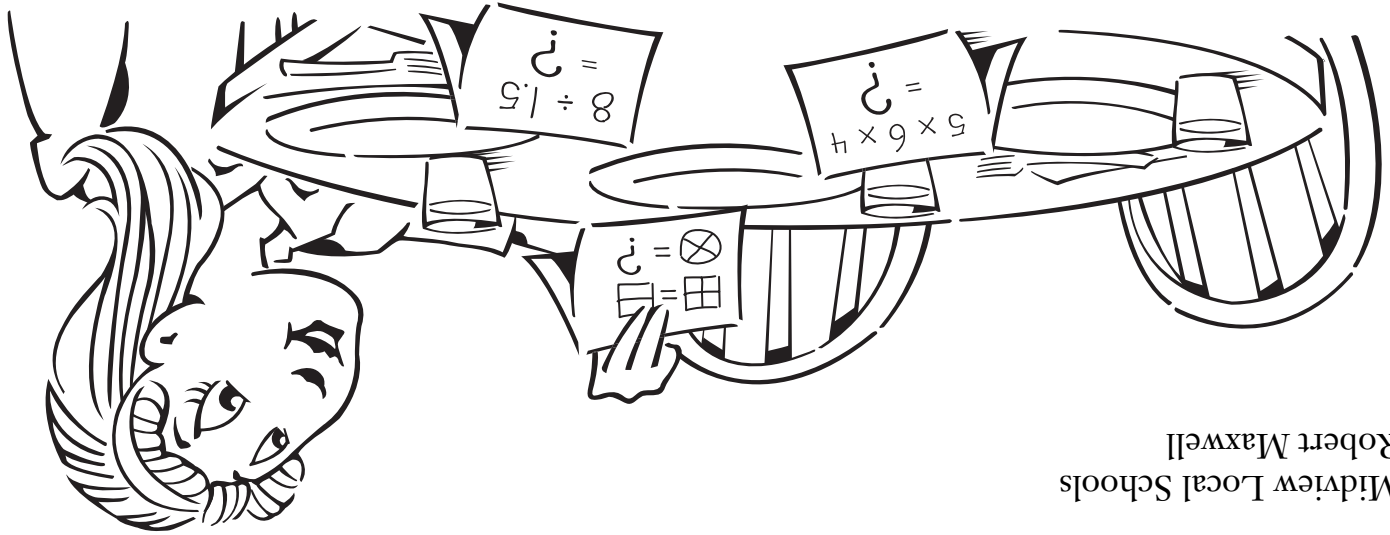


# Activity Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> Make an appointment to visit school and meet your child's teacher this month.	<b>2</b> This is Library Card Month. Make sure everyone in your family has a library card.	<b>3</b> Play "guess that number": How many cookies in the package? How many chips in the bag?	<b>4</b> When you're outside, show your child which way is north, south, east and west.	<b>5</b> Set a regular time for homework this school year. Find the time that works best for your family.	<b>6</b> Help your child look for maps in the newspaper. How many can you find?
<b>7</b> Provide a regular place to display your child's best school work. Change the display often.	<b>8</b> It's International Literacy Day. Make sure your family has a regular reading time each day.	<b>9</b> Ask your child to come up with words with both a prefix and a suffix, such as <i>replacing</i> .	<b>10</b> Make sure you and your child know school rules. Talk about one school rule tonight.	<b>11</b> Make sure your child has basic reference books when he studies— atlas, dictionary, thesaurus.	<b>12</b> Avoid library fines. Have a box or basket where you keep library books.	<b>13</b> Have a family dinner by candlelight. Have each person share the week's experiences.
<b>14</b> Take your child out for breakfast, or serve a favorite breakfast at home. Make this a regular habit.	<b>15</b> For safety, remember what your child is wearing each time she leaves the house.	<b>16</b> Challenge everyone on math facts. Who can recite the multiplication tables with the fewest mistakes?	<b>17</b> Today is Citizenship Day. Talk about what it means to be a good citizen. What can your child do?	<b>18</b> Take a fraction walk with your child—1/2 of cars are blue, 4/5 of houses have a gray roof.	<b>19</b> List 10 of your child's successes this week. List 10 of your own. Look at the list often.	<b>20</b> Watch a sports event on TV with your child. Talk with your child about what you see and hear.
<b>21</b> Help your child plan ahead. Tonight, talk about the coming week. What needs to be done?	<b>22</b> Write a list of creatures that live in the ocean. Have your child draw a picture of one or two.	<b>23</b> Give your child a whistle to blow if he is in danger. Warn your child that he should only blow it when there is danger.	<b>24</b> Ask your child to tell you one thing she learned in school today. Share one thing you learned today.	<b>25</b> A good breakfast helps kids learn. Start the day with a healthy breakfast at home or at school.	<b>26</b> Johnny Appleseed was born in 1744. Prepare an apple dessert with your child.	<b>27</b> Visit the library with your child. Check out a book about the oceans.
<b>28</b> Rent or watch a nature-oriented video with your child. Ask your child what he learned.	<b>29</b> Talk about how you use numbers at home— setting the oven timer and reading a thermometer.	<b>30</b> Measure how far your child can jump. How many jumps to go around your house? Down the block?	<h2>September 2008</h2>			

# Activity Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h2>October 2008</h2>						
			<b>1</b> Watch the evening news together. Talk about current events at the dinner table.	<b>2</b> When your child brings home schoolwork, focus on what is right before noting what is wrong.	<b>3</b> Every time you talk with your child on the telephone, end by saying, "I love you."	<b>4</b> Batter up! Play math facts baseball. Ask your child math questions. Each correct answer is a "base hit."
<b>5</b> It's Fire Prevention Week. Talk about what your child can do to be safe from fires.	<b>6</b> Talk to your child about how recycling paper is one of the ways we can help save the rain forests.	<b>7</b> Is your child behaving well and cooperating? Be sure to say how proud this makes you.	<b>8</b> If your child talks about a school bully, listen. Tell the school if there is a problem.	<b>9</b> Invent a word with your child. Write a definition as it would appear in the dictionary.	<b>10</b> Visit the library with your child. Check out a book about food.	<b>11</b> Take a walk and look for signs of fall. See if your child can identify the types of trees you pass.
<b>12</b> Share family history with your children. Look at family photos and tell family stories.	<b>13</b> Take a trip to another country using the Internet. Many libraries have computers with Internet access.	<b>14</b> Teach your child how to protect herself by saying <i>no</i> or walking away from fights.	<b>15</b> Pick an interesting short story for children. Ask your child to read it to you while you fix dinner.	<b>16</b> With your child, make a fall table decoration for your table.	<b>17</b> Stay up late. Read books by flashlight. Enjoy a favorite snack.	<b>18</b> Have a "Family Night In." Pop a big bowl of popcorn. Everyone curl up with a good book.
<b>19</b> When reading aloud, get everyone to join in. Record your performance. Enjoy it again later!	<b>20</b> Write a note saying something nice about your child. Tuck it where he will find it later.	<b>21</b> Visit the library with your child. Check out a book about rain forests.	<b>22</b> Make a tape of math facts ("3 times 2 is ..."). Leave time for the answer. Then give the correct response.	<b>23</b> Together, make up new compound words for familiar objects. Could your cat be a <i>purrcuddler</i> ?	<b>24</b> Have a No TV Night. Read or play a game with your child instead.	<b>25</b> Start a kitchen band. Use spoons, pans and lids for instruments. March around the house.
<b>26</b> Plan something you can do as a family to reduce hunger in your town or the world.	<b>27</b> Choose a news story. Cut off the headline. Challenge your child to write her own.	<b>28</b> Teach your child how to handle stress— exercising, getting enough sleep, talking about problems.	<b>29</b> Find something small enough to fit in your pocket. Have your child write a story about it.	<b>30</b> Bake cupcakes with your child. Use colors of icing to show fractions—halves, fourths or thirds.	<b>31</b> Talk about a familiar place and decide which direction (north, south, east or west) it is from your home.	



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# Activity Calendar

## Parent & Child

### Elementary School

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Elementary School  
**Parents**  
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>November 2008</b>						<b>1</b> Talk to your child about a hobby he might want to start. What interests him? Have him check out a book on the subject.
<b>2</b> Be creative in the kitchen. See who can invent the greatest-tasting new pizza topping.	<b>3</b> At dinner tonight, have everyone bring an interesting new word to share.	<b>4</b> Talk to your child about the presidential election held today in the United States. Discuss the importance of voting.	<b>5</b> Flash cards are a great way to memorize facts. Take them in the car and use travel time for review.	<b>6</b> Ask your child to pick a book she might want to read aloud with you. Take turns reading to each other.	<b>7</b> This evening put together a jigsaw or other kind of puzzle with your child.	<b>8</b> Make today your child's special day. Let him choose what you'll do and eat.
<b>9</b> Gather bus schedules or maps to a fun place—the zoo, a museum, a park. Let your child plan a trip.	<b>10</b> Have kids fill in calendar blanks with weather reports, birthdays, special activities or notes to you.	<b>11</b> Visit the library with your child. Check out a mystery book.	<b>12</b> Help your child write a letter to the editor of the local newspaper about an issue affecting children.	<b>13</b> Review math facts at the dinner table tonight. See how many your child can get right in a row.	<b>14</b> Write new or difficult words on index cards. Review regularly until your child can spell them.	<b>15</b> Set aside some time today to work on a hobby with your child.
<b>16</b> Make a schedule for watching TV this week. Plan how you'll limit your viewing.	<b>17</b> Keep a notebook handy when watching TV. Have your child jot down five new words. Look them up later.	<b>18</b> A rebus is a story that replaces some words with pictures. Make a rebus with your child.	<b>19</b> Challenge everyone in the family to try writing a funny limerick.	<b>20</b> Write down the ages of family members. Express them in math terms—Dad is 25 years older than Mike.	<b>21</b> Plan a late bedtime so everyone can read in bed. Serve a healthful snack if you wish.	<b>22</b> Some time today, exchange notes instead of talking. (This also works when things get noisy!)
<b>23</b> Have a family dinner by candlelight tonight.	<b>24</b> At the library, use books and the Internet to learn more about careers in which your child is interested.	<b>25</b> Talk about honesty and why it is so important. Find examples of people who demonstrate honesty.	<b>26</b> Plan a family talent show. Encourage everyone to perform. Have everyone practice their acts this week.	<b>27</b> Make a paper cornucopia. Fill it with a list of all the things that make your family grateful.	<b>28</b> With your child, make awards for your talent show. Have an award for everyone.	<b>29</b> Set aside time for your family talent show today. Give out awards at the end of it.
<b>30</b> Read a book about your town together.						