

Daily Learning Planner

*Ideas parents can use to help children
do well in school*

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Daily Learning Planner: Ideas Parents Can Use to Help Children Do Well in School—Try a New Idea Every Day!

- 1. Have your child pretend he's a character from a book. Ask questions until you figure out who he is.
- 2. Help your child round up some friends and play a game together outside.
- 3. Look in the newspaper for interesting words. Help your child look them up in a dictionary.
- 4. Have your child hold her nose while she eats. Does it affect the taste of the food?
- 5. Watch a TV show with your child. Have him keep track of the time spent on commercials versus the program.
- 6. Measure your child's height. Keep a record so you can measure again in December and compare.
- 7. Talk with your child about ways to handle stress, such as by exercising.
- 8. Visit an art museum or look at an art book with your child and talk about the paintings.
- 9. Help your child make a list of 10 things she learned in school this year. Post it on the refrigerator.
- 10. Give your child 10 coupons, each good for 30 minutes of your uninterrupted attention.
- 11. Schedules are important during the summer, too. Set aside time each day for family reading.
- 12. Talk with your child about something he has done well today.
- 13. How many creatures can your child think of that make their homes in the ground?
- 14. Gather some floating and sinking objects. Ask your child to predict which will float or sink in water. Supervise as she tests her *hypotheses*.
- 15. Start a special notebook of family book reviews. When someone reads a book, they write a review in the notebook.
- 16. Take a walk together and use all five senses to observe the world.
- 17. Sit outside and look at clouds with your child. What do they resemble?
- 18. Write a note to your child to tell him you love him.
- 19. Does your child have a summer reading list? Post it in a special place. Have her check off books she has read.
- 20. Make it a point to use three new words at the dinner table tonight.
- 21. Allow your child to stay up late to read tonight.
- 22. Serve your child a new flavor of ice cream. Then have him write a commercial for it and act it out.
- 23. Have your child start a "What I Learned Today" journal.
- 24. Read three poems with your child today.
- 25. Together, learn to say *hello* in at least two other languages.
- 26. On a sunny day, stand on the driveway or sidewalk. Trace your shadows with chalk. Come back a few hours later and do it again.
- 27. See how many words your child can use to describe the sky.
- 28. Have your child track the temperature throughout the day. How much hotter was it late this afternoon than this morning?
- 29. Help your child talk with people about the jobs they do.
- 30. Challenge your child to draw a self-portrait.

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