

Preparing for Kindergarten



Purpose: There are so many ways you can help your child prepare to enter kindergarten! Everyday activities and experiences are THE best way ... not “worksheets” or “pencil & paper” tasks. The calendar on the next page is designed to help you reinforce key skills in all 10 areas of development as you engage with your child. Best of all, the activities are easy-to-do and help your child learn in a way that is meaningful, intentional and fun!





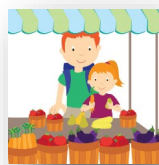

To Use: Print the calendar out and post it in the kitchen or other area of the house where you will be able to refer to it quickly and easily. Try to do each activity on the calendar but do not stress if you can't do them all. Also, if your child is not particularly interested in an experience, that is OK as well. Let your child be the guide.

July & August calendars will arrive later this summer!

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<p>1 Go for a walk with your child and count birds. How many can you find?</p> 	<p>2 Toss paper plates like frisbees. Talk about the circle shape.</p>	<p>3 Prepare instant pudding with your child. Explore measuring.</p>	<p>4 Read your child's favorite book. Have him/her talk about what happens next.</p>
<p>5 Give your child a bucket of water and a paintbrush. Have him/her "write" on the driveway or sidewalk.</p>	<p>6 Talk about the colors of foods at mealtime.</p>	<p>7 Read a book with your child. See if your child can identify the main character.</p>	<p>8 Pour cornmeal into a tray with edges. Invite your child to use his/her finger to write or draw in the cornmeal.</p>	<p>9 Make lemonade with your child.</p> 	<p>10 Play "Simon Says" with your child. This is a great game to reinforce following directions.</p>	<p>11 Visit the library and check out books. Reading to your child is SO important!</p>
<p>12 Have your child compare & contrast vegetables at the grocery store or farmer's market.</p>	<p>13</p> 	<p>14 Flag Day Count flags while riding in the car or walking. How many can your child find?</p>	<p>15 Look for letters, words & numerals on household appliances. Why are they there?</p>	<p>16 Have your child help set the table. How many plates, spoons, forks, etc. are needed?</p>	<p>17 Sit outside and have your child close his/her eyes. What does he/she hear? Smell?</p>	<p>18 Help your child use the internet to learn about his/her favorite animal.</p>
<p>19 Happy Father's Day</p>	<p>20 Blow bubbles with your child. Talk about how bubbles are a sphere.</p>	<p>21 First Day of Summer</p>	<p>22 Play a simple board game with your child.</p>	<p>23 Locate pieces of ribbon or yarn to weave these in and out of the holes on the side of a laundry basket</p>	<p>24 Tun on upbeat music and dance with your child.</p>	<p>25</p> 
<p>26 Challenge your child to look for letters on signs while shopping or riding in the car.</p>	<p>27 Read a book with your child. Talk about the problem the characters face in the story.</p>	<p>28 Have your child experiment by mixing flour and water. What happens?</p>	<p>29 Count the number of doors in your home with your child. Estimate before counting.</p>	<p>30 Save empty food boxes. Invite your child to create something with them.</p>		