



Designed for families, educators,
and community organizations, this
calendar provides a rotating
checklist of activities, with new
experiences highlighted every day
and throughout each month.

With a [special message](#) from the
project co-directors, Dr. Lanisha
Makle-Ridley & Jeannette Mejias

12 - Month Calendar

Welcome to the 2027 Family Engagement Calendar

Dear Families, Educators, Community Partners, and Youth,

It is our great pleasure to present the **2027 Family Engagement Calendar**, a yearlong resource designed to inspire meaningful connections, joyful learning, and shared experiences among families.

This calendar was thoughtfully created to support families in engaging with children in ways that are both simple and impactful. Each day offers an opportunity to explore activities that promote **literacy, mathematics, social-emotional learning, and overall well-being**, all within the context of everyday life. Whether it's reading together, solving a problem, reflecting on emotions, or prioritizing health, these moments help build strong relationships and lifelong skills.

We believe that learning does not only happen in classrooms, it happens around kitchen tables, during car rides, at parks, and in conversations at home. This calendar is designed to meet families where they are, providing accessible and engaging ideas that can be adapted for children of all ages.

This initiative was inspired by the voices and ideas of our community, and it reflects our shared commitment to strengthening family engagement across New Jersey. We encourage you to use this calendar as a guide, a conversation starter, and a tool for creating lasting memories.

Thank you for your continued partnership and dedication to supporting children and families. Together, we can nurture curiosity, confidence, and connection—one day at a time.

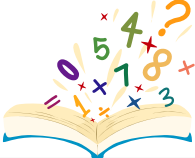
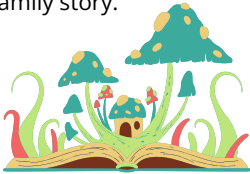
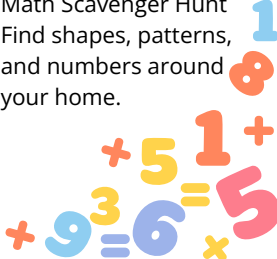
With appreciation,

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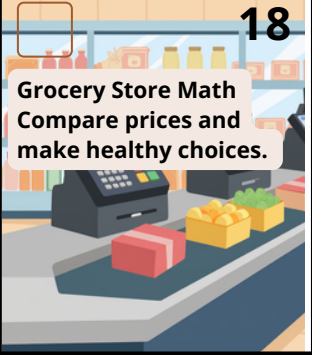
January 2027

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	☐ 1 Family Vision Board Create a vision board using magazines or drawings. Include goals, words, and dreams. 	☐ 2 New Year Storytime Read a book about new beginnings. Discuss: What do you want to grow this year? 
☐ 3 Goal Math. Set 3 goals and break them into steps. Count how many steps each goal takes. 	☐ 4 Feelings Check-In Circle Each person shares one feeling and one hope for the year. 	☐ 5 Write a Letter to Your Future Self. Seal it to open at the end of the year. 	☐ 6 Calendar Math: Look at January's calendar. Count days, weekends, and plan family events. 	☐ 7 Family Game Night Play board games that involve counting, strategy, or teamwork. 	☐ 8 Word of the Week Choose a family word (e.g., "kindness") and use it daily. 	☐ 9 Cooking Math Night, Cook together and measure ingredients. Double or halve a recipe. 
☐ 10 Story Building Game Each person adds one sentence to create a family story. 	☐ 11 Problem-Solving Scenarios Discuss: "What would you do if...?" situations. 	☐ 12 Budget Basics: Plan a \$20 family meal. Compare prices and make choices. 	☐ 13 Read & Reflect: Read a short story and discuss the characters' feelings. 	☐ 14 Gratitude Jar: Write one thing you're thankful for and add it to a jar. 	☐ 15 Math Scavenger Hunt Find shapes, patterns, and numbers around your home. 	☐ 16 Family Talent Show Celebrate each person's strengths. 

January 2027

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☐ 17 Read About a Leader Learn about Martin Luther King Jr. and discuss his impact. 	☐ 18 Acts of Kindness Chart Track acts of kindness and count totals at the end of the week. 	☐ 19 Poetry Night: Write and share simple poems. 	☐ 20 Time Challenge: Time daily routines and compare durations. 	☐ 21 Emotion Charades Act out emotions and guess them. 	☐ 22 Family Interview Interview a family member and write their story. 	☐ 23 Savings Challenge Set a savings goal and track progress. 
☐ 24 Read & Draw Read a story and draw your favorite scene. 	☐ 25 Conflict Resolution Roleplay Practice healthy ways to resolve disagreements. 	☐ 26 Measurement Day Measure items around the house (height, length, weight). 	☐ 27 Affirmation Writing Write positive affirmations for each family member. 	☐ 28 Family Debate Night Pick a fun topic and practice respectful discussion. 	☐ 29 Math Puzzle Night Solve puzzles, riddles, or brain teasers together. 	☐ 30 Reflection Journaling Write about your favorite activity this month. 
☐ 31 Family Celebration Night Celebrate your growth with music, food, and affirmations. 						

February 2027

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	☐ 1 Youth read or recall a friendship story and rewrite the ending to show kindness, problem-solving, or inclusion. 	☐ 2 Heart Rate Math Take your pulse before and after movement. Count beats and compare. 	☐ 3 Read About Kindness Read a story about kindness and discuss how it impacts others. 	☐ 4 Feelings & Food Journal Track how food and mood connect throughout the day. 	☐ 5 Water Intake Tracker Track how many cups of water each family member drinks. 	☐ 6 Gratitude Walk Take a walk and name things you're grateful for. 
☐ 7 Family Affirmation Circle Share encouraging words with each other.  1 st Night of Ramadan Lunar New Year Day	☐ 8 Kindness Math Chart Track acts of kindness and graph totals. 	☐ 9 Healthy Cooking Night Measure ingredients and talk about nutrition choices. 	☐ 10 Write a Thank You Letter Write to someone who made a difference in your life.  Ash Wednesday	☐ 11 Emotion Mapping Draw and label emotions you experienced today. 	☐ 12 Budgeting for Love Plan a meaningful gift or experience within a small budget. 	☐ 13 Family Story Night Share stories about love, friendship, or family history. 
☐ 14 Acts of Love Day Celebrate love through kind acts, hugs, and connection.  Valentines Day	☐ 15 Read About Leadership Learn about Frederick Douglass and discuss courage and growth.  Presidents' Day	☐ 16 Step Count Challenge Track steps for the day and compare totals. 	☐ 17 Mindfulness Moment Practice deep breathing and relaxation together. 	☐ 18 Grocery Store Math Compare prices and make healthy choices. 	☐ 19 Poetry & Expression Write poems about feelings or dreams. 	☐ 20 Strengths Spotlight Each person shares what they are proud of. 

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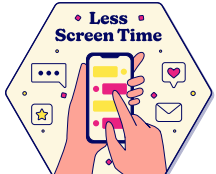
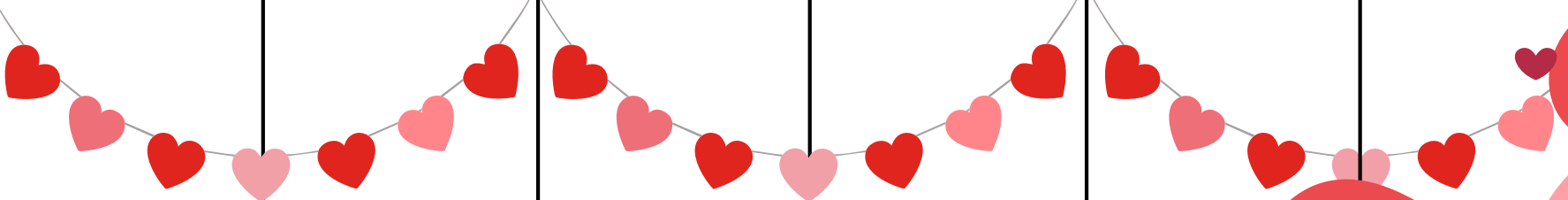
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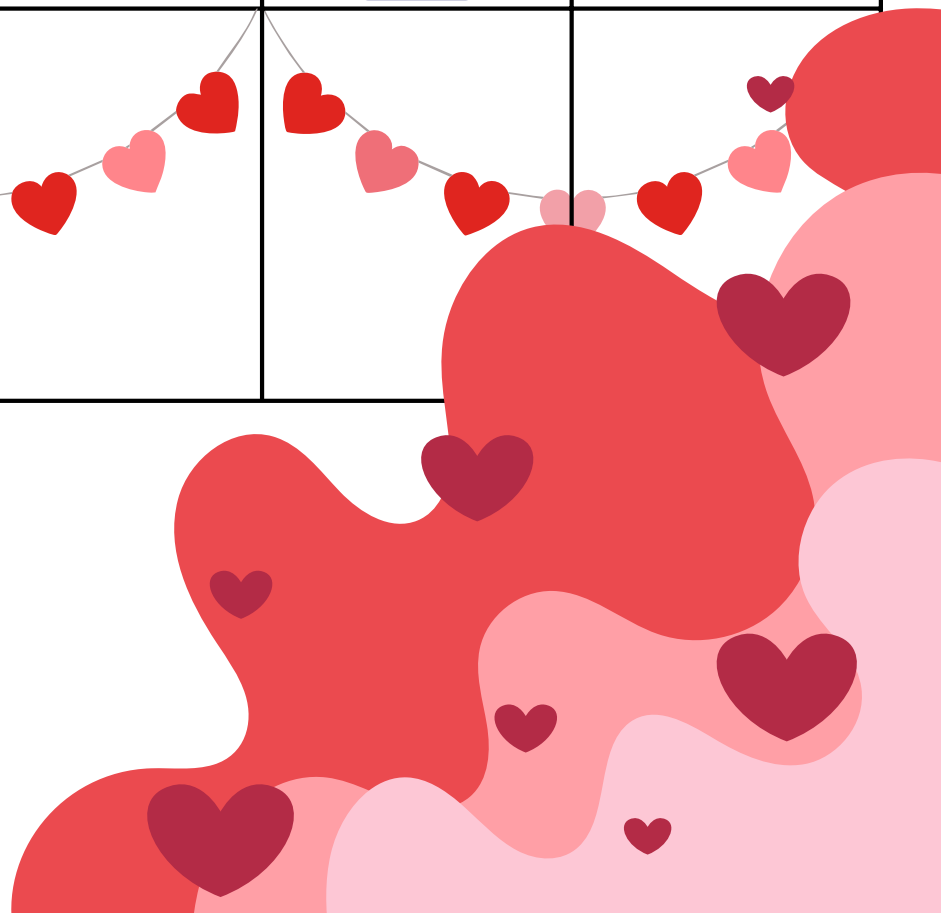
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☐ 21 Time & Routine Check Track how time is spent and reflect on balance. 	☐ 22 Healthy Habit Tracker Track sleep, water, and activity for the day 	☐ 23 Read & Reflect Read a short story and discuss character emotions. 	☐ 24 Conflict Resolution Practice Role-play how to solve disagreements respectfully. 	☐ 25 Kitchen Measurement Lab Measure ingredients and discuss portions. 	☐ 26 Digital Wellness Day Limit screen time and engage in offline activities. 	☐ 27 Family Fitness Fun Dance, stretch, or do a workout together 
☐ 28 Monthly Reflection & Celebration Write or share: What did we learn? How did we grow? 						

Notes:



March 2027

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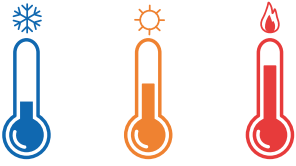
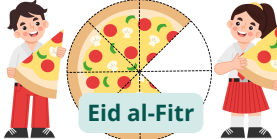
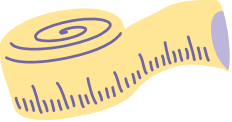
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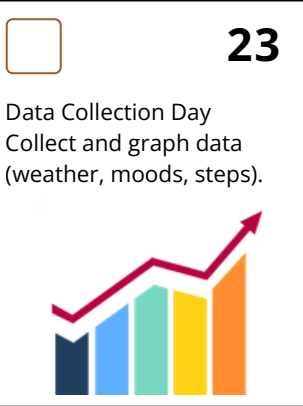
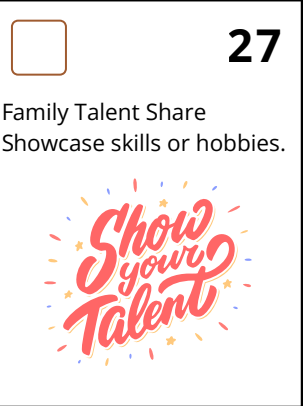
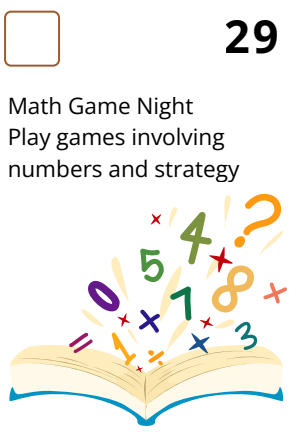
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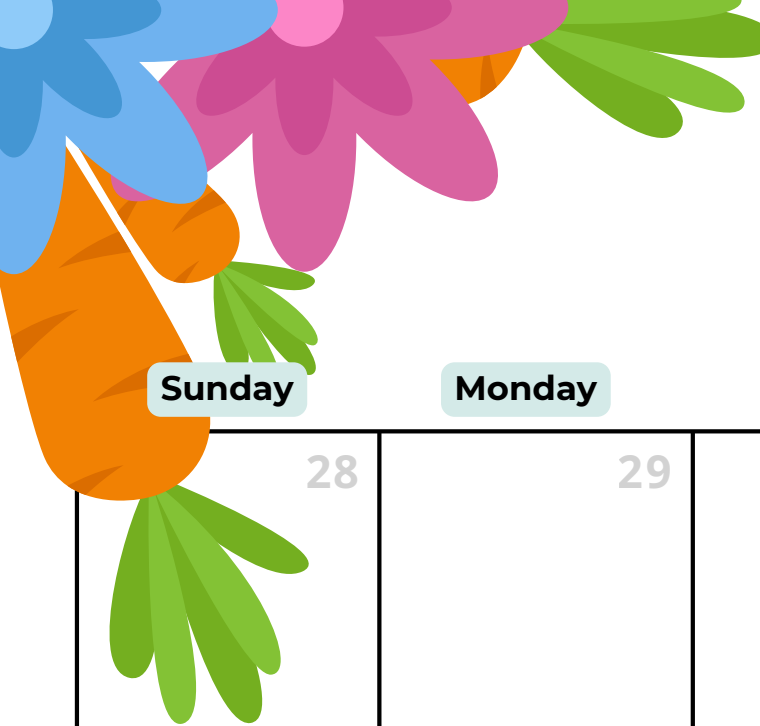
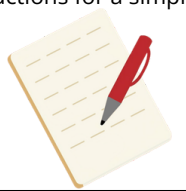
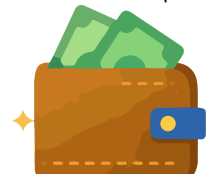
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	☐ 1 Growth Goals Write one thing you want to improve and how you'll grow. 	☐ 2 Weather Math. Track daily temperature and discuss how the weather affects clothing and activity. 	☐ 3 Read about Growth. Read a story about perseverance and discuss lessons learned. 	☐ 4 Positive Self-Talk Practice Create and repeat positive affirmations. 	☐ 5 Movement Minutes Tracker Track how many minutes you are active today. 	☐ 6 Family Reflection Circle Share one success and one challenge from the week. 
☐ 7 Nature Walk & Journal Observe signs of spring and write or draw what you see. 	☐ 8 Puzzle Night: Solve puzzles or brain teasers together. 	☐ 9 Cooking Fractions Use fractions while preparing a simple meal.  Eid al-Fitr	☐ 10 Storytelling Challenge Create a story using 5 random words. 	☐ 11 Emotion Check-In Chart Track how emotions change throughout the day. 	☐ 12 Budget Challenge Plan a meal or activity within a set budget. 	☐ 13 Read & Discuss: Discuss characters' decisions and consequences. 
☐ 14 Family Fitness Challenge Set a fun physical challenge (jumping jacks, steps, etc.).  Daylight Savings Time	☐ 15 Measurement Hunt Measure objects around the house (height, length, weight). 	☐ 16 Read About a Trailblazer Learn about Cesar Chavez and discuss impact and advocacy 	☐ 17 Gratitude & Green Day Share gratitude and eat something green.  St Patricks Day	☐ 18 Time Management Math Track how long tasks take and reflect on time use. 	☐ 19 Poetry & Expression Write poems about nature or growth. 	☐ 20 Mindfulness & Breathing Practice calming breathing techniques. 

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
☐ 21 Outdoor Exploration Visit a park and describe what you observe.  Palm Sunday	☐ 22 Create a Family Storybook Write and illustrate a short family story. 	☐ 23 Data Collection Day Collect and graph data (weather, moods, steps). 	☐ 24 Kindness Challenge Complete 3 acts of kindness. 	☐ 25 Healthy Habits Tracker Track sleep, water, and activity. 	☐ 26 Debate Night: Discuss a fun topic and practice respectful conversation.  Good Friday	☐ 27 Family Talent Share Showcase skills or hobbies. 
☐ 28 Read & Draw Illustrate your favorite part of a story.  Easter	☐ 29 Math Game Night Play games involving numbers and strategy. 	☐ 30 Reflection Journaling Write about what you learned this month. 	☐ 31 Family Celebration & Goal Reset: Celebrate accomplishments and set goals for April. 			

April 2027

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 	29	30	31	☐ 1 Earth Facts Reading Read an article or book about the environment and share 3 new facts. 	☐ 2 Recycling Sort & Count Sort recyclables and count how many items fall into each category. 	☐ 3 Nature Gratitude Letters Write a thank-you letter to the Earth or nature. 
☐ 4 Step Distance Challenge Estimate and then measure how far you walk in steps or distance. 	☐ 5 Plant a Seed Plant something and discuss responsibility and care. 	☐ 6 Environmental Problem Solving Discuss: "How can our family reduce waste?" 	☐ 7 Read a Science Story Read a book about animals, plants, or ecosystems. 	☐ 8 Needs vs. Wants Sort Sort items into needs and wants and explain choices. 	☐ 9 Grocery Receipt Math Add totals from a receipt and compare categories. 	☐ 10 Write Instructions Write step-by-step instructions for a simple task. 
☐ 11 Stress Signals Check Identify how your body feels when stressed and ways to respond. 	☐ 12 Saving vs. Spending Game Create scenarios to decide when to save or spend. 	☐ 13 Read About Careers Explore a career and discuss required skills. 	☐ 14 Healthy Snack Lab Create a snack and compare nutritional values. 	☐ 15 Pattern Art Create art using repeating patterns and describe them. 	☐ 16 Family Podcast Recording Record a short "family podcast" sharing thoughts or stories. 	☐ 17 Emotion Journaling with Colors Assign colors to emotions and journal your day. 

April 2027

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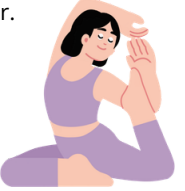
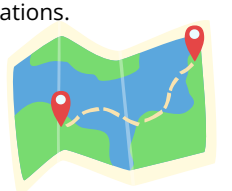
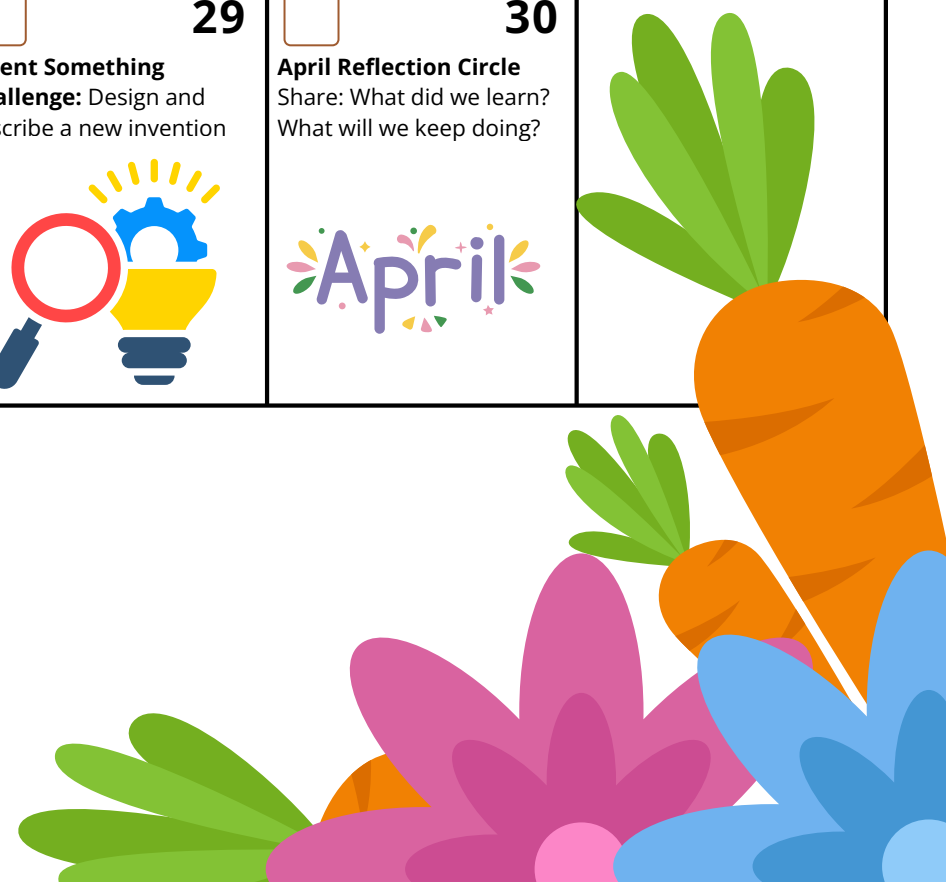
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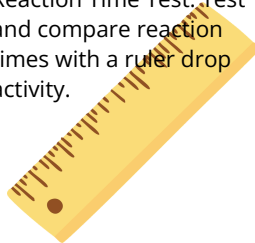
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☐ 18 Balance & Coordination Challenge Try yoga or balancing activities together. 	☐ 19 Word Building Game Create as many words as possible from one long word. 	☐ 20 Time Estimation Game Guess how long tasks take, then time them. 	☐ 21 Music & Mood Exploration Listen to music and discuss how it affects feelings. 	☐ 22 Community Helper Research Learn about a local helper and their role. 	☐ 23 Acts of Service Plan Plan one way your family can help others. 	☐ 24 Map Skills Activity Draw a map of your neighborhood with key locations. 
☐ 25 Hydration Awareness Day Track water intake and compare totals. 	☐ 26 Perspective Taking Exercise Discuss how different people might feel in the same situation. 	☐ 27 Read & Rewrite Ending Change the ending of a story you read. 	☐ 28 Household Budget Math Discuss basic expenses and create a simple budget. 	☐ 29 Invent Something Challenge Design and describe a new invention. 	☐ 30 April Reflection Circle Share: What did we learn? What will we keep doing? 	

May 2027

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29	30	☐ 1 Personal Progress Timeline: Create a timeline of something you've improved this year. 
☐ 2 Skip Counting Fitness Do exercises while counting by 2s, 5s, or 10s. 	☐ 3 Read a Biography Read about a changemaker and discuss their journey. 	☐ 4 Strengths Web: Draw a web connecting each family member's strengths. 	☐ 5 Estimation Jar Challenge Fill a jar with objects and estimate the total, then count. 	☐ 6 Outdoor Yoga & Stretch Practice stretching and mindful breathing outside. 	☐ 7 Family Check-In Cards Write and answer reflective question cards. 	☐ 8 Tax & Percent Basics Look at a receipt and calculate tax or discounts. 
☐ 9 Healthy Plate Design Draw and label a balanced meal. 	☐ 10 Compare & Contrast Reading: Read two short texts and discuss similarities/differences. 	☐ 11 Decision-Making Tree Map out choices and possible consequences 	☐ 12 Travel Budget Planning Plan a pretend trip with a set budget. 	☐ 13 Write a How-To Guide Teach someone how to do something you enjoy. 	☐ 14 Reaction Time Test: Test and compare reaction times with a ruler drop activity. 	☐ 15 Cultural Recipe Night Cook a dish from a cultural tradition and discuss its history. 

May 2027

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☐ 16 Storytelling Through Art Create a drawing that tells a story and explain it. 	☐ 17 Random Acts of Encouragement: Write encouraging notes and share them. 	☐ 18 Multiplication in Real Life Find real-life examples (groups, arrays, etc.). 	☐ 19 Music Lyrics Analysis Read song lyrics and discuss meaning and emotions. 	☐ 20 Agility Challenge Course Create a mini obstacle course at home or outside. 	☐ 21 Debate a Real Issue Discuss a real-world topic respectfully. 	☐ 22 Chore Chart Math Assign values to chores and calculate totals earned. 
☐ 23 Read a News Article Discuss current events and share opinions. 	☐ 24 Emotional Regulation Plan (SEL) : Create a plan for calming down when upset. 	☐ 25 Meal Planning Math (Math + Health): Plan meals for 2-3 days within a budget. 	☐ 26 Letter to a Role Model (Literacy + SEL): Write to someone you admire (real or imagined). 	☐ 27 Sleep Tracker (Health + Math): Track hours of sleep and discuss patterns. 	☐ 28 Teamwork Challenge (SEL + Health): Complete a task that requires cooperation. 	☐ 29 Family Trivia Night (Literacy + Math) Create trivia questions about family, school, or fun facts. 
☐ 30 Have each family member create a simple "future plan." Literacy: Write about what you want to be or achieve SEL: Reflect on your interests, values, and strengths Math: Estimate the time, steps, or cost needed to	☐ 31 Reflection Collage (SEL + Literacy): Create a collage of memories from the past months. 					

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June 2027

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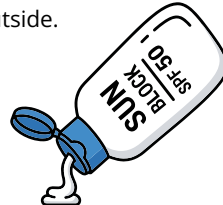
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Summer Bucket List Builder:
Create a list of activities
your family wants to do this
summer.



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UV Index & Sun Safety
Math: Check the UV index
and decide safe times to be
outside.



3

Read a Travel Story
Read a story set in
another place and discuss
the setting.



4

Personality Traits Match
Match traits (kind, brave,
creative) to each family
member.

I am brave



5

Packing List Math
Plan a day trip and
count/organize
items needed.



6

Outdoor Mindful Listening
Sit outside and list all the
sounds you hear.

Let's go
outside



7

Create a Summer Journal
Decorate and begin a
journal for the season.



8

Change Counting Challenge
Use coins to make different
amounts in multiple ways.



9

Hydration Science
Read about why water
matters and track thirst
signals.



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Compare Product Labels
Read labels and compare
ingredients or nutrients.



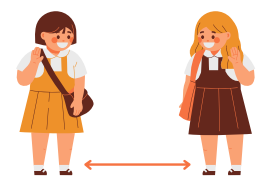
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Friendship Skills Practice
Role-play how to make and
keep friends.



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Distance & Direction Game:
Give directions using steps,
turns, and landmarks.



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Write a Postcard
Write a postcard to a
friend or family member



14

Body Movement Patterns
Create movement patterns
(jump-clap-spin-repeat).



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**Build with Recycled
Materials: Create
something useful using
recyclables and
measure parts.**



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Read a Mystery Story
Solve clues together while
reading.



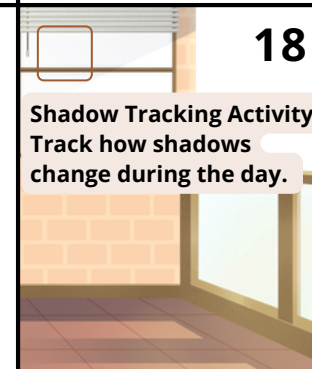
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Emotion vs. Reaction Chart
Discuss how feelings and
reactions can differ



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Shadow Tracking Activity
Track how shadows
change during the day.



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Family Heritage Story
Share stories about your
family's background and
traditions.



June 2027

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Balance Nutrition Game
Sort foods into categories
(protein, grains, fruits, etc.)



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Creative Writing Prompt
Night: Write a story starting
with: "The best summer
ever began when..."



22

Allowance Planning
Plan how to save, spend,
and share money.



23

**Read Instructions &
Assemble:** Follow written
directions to build or
create something.



24

Stress Relief Toolbox
Create a list of calming
strategies.



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Portion Size Estimation
Estimate and compare
food portion sizes



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**Interview a Neighbor or
Family Friend:** Ask about
their life experiences and
lessons learned.



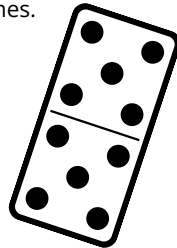
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Reaction & Reflex
Discussion: Learn how the
body reacts quickly to
protect you.



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Probability Game Night
Play games involving
chance and discuss
outcomes.



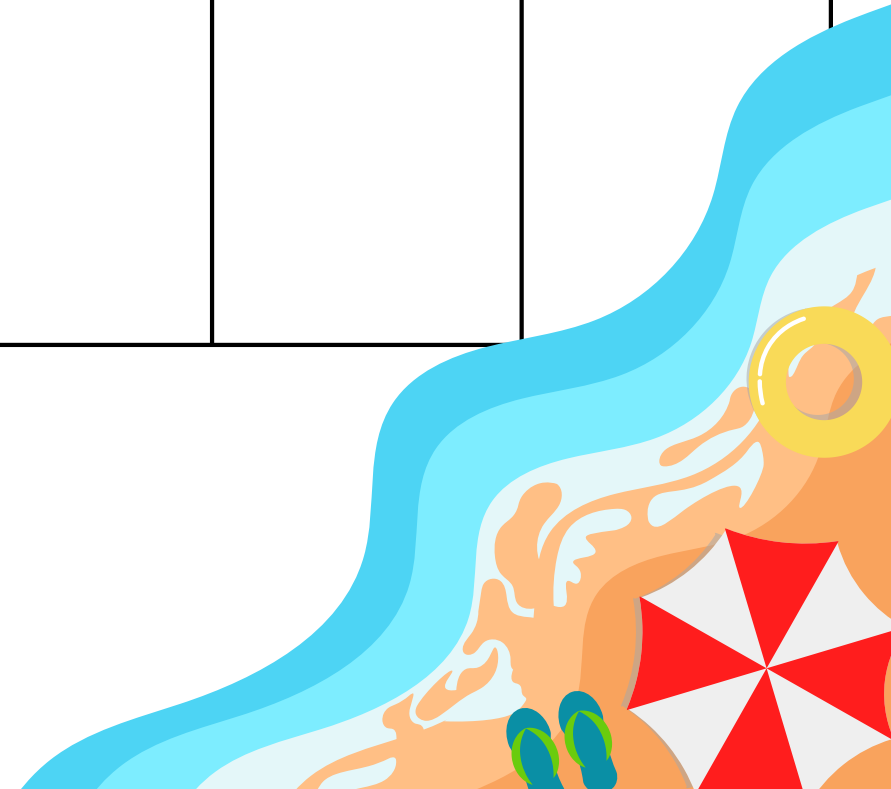
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Compliment Chain
Give each person a
compliment and pass it
along.



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June Reflection & Summer
Reset: Discuss: What have
we learned so far this
summer? What's next?



July 2027

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Personal Motto Creation
Create a short personal motto that represents who you are.



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Travel Distance Math
Look up distances between cities and compare which is farther/closer.



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3

Read Historical Fiction
Read a story set in the past and discuss what life was like.



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Community Exploration Walk & Reflection:
Take a walk in your neighborhood or a local park and explore your surroundings.

Independence Day

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Freedom Reflection Activity
Discuss what freedom means to your family and write reflections.



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Firework Pattern Math
Create and draw repeating or growing patterns inspired by fireworks.



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Outdoor Fitness Bingo
Create a bingo board with physical activities (run, stretch, jump).



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8

Kindness in Action Plan (SEL)
Plan how your family will show kindness in your community.



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Unit Rate Challenge
Compare prices (cost per item/ounce) to find the best deal.



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Read & Summarize
Read a short article and summarize it in 3 sentences.



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Boundary Setting Practice
Discuss and role-play how to say "no" respectfully.



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Heart Health Movement Log:
Track activities that strengthen your heart



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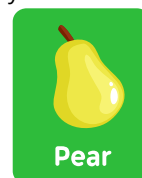
Plan a Picnic: Write a menu, budget items, and prepare a healthy meal outdoors.



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Vocabulary Builder Game
Pick a word and create synonyms and antonyms.



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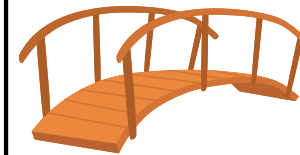
Reaction Strategy Game
Play a strategy game and discuss decision-making.



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Build a Bridge Challenge
Use household items to build a bridge and test its strength.



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Read about an Innovator
Learn about Garrett Morgan and discuss his contributions.



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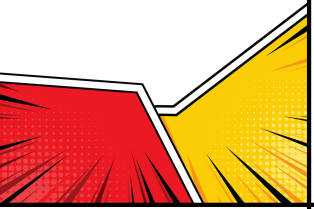
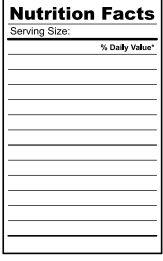
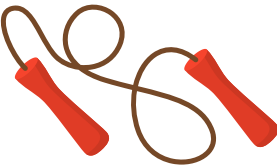
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☐ 18 Emotion Thermometer Create a scale to describe intensity of feelings 	☐ 19 Speed & Distance Experiment: Measure how speed changes over short distances. 	☐ 20 Write a Comic Strip Create a short comic with dialogue and characters. 	☐ 21 Flexibility & Stretch Routine Practice stretching and track improvement 	☐ 22 Creative Problem Challenge Solve a real-life problem using brainstorming techniques 	☐ 23 Budget Comparison Challenge: Compare two budgets and decide which is more effective. 	☐ 24 Read & Predict Pause during reading and predict what happens next. 
☐ 25 Gratitude Mapping Create a visual map of things you're thankful for. 	☐ 26 Nutrition Label Math Compare sugar, calories, and serving sizes 	☐ 27 Leadership Qualities Discussion: Discuss what makes a good leader and why 	☐ 28 Write a News Report Report on something that happened in your week 	☐ 29 Endurance Challenge Track how long you can sustain an activity 	☐ 30 Logic Puzzle Night Solve logic-based riddles together. 	☐ 31 Summer Reflection Interview: Interview each other about favorite summer moments. 

August 2027

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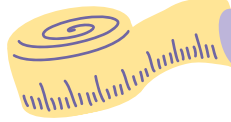
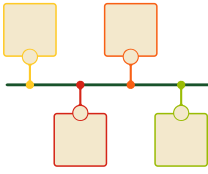
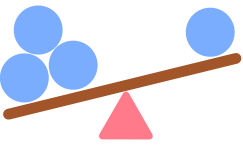
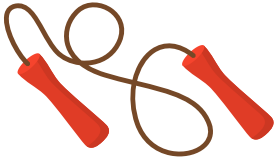
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☐ 1 Backyard Dig Simulation Create a "dig site" using sand/soil and hidden objects. Record what you find. 	☐ 2 Artifact Counting & Sorting (Sort found objects by type, size, or color and count totals.) 	☐ 3 Read About Fossils Read an article or book about fossils and discuss how they form. 	☐ 4 Observation Sketch Journal Draw and label something you discovered today. 	☐ 5 Dig Site Measurement Measure the size of your dig area and compare dimensions. 	☐ 6 Teamwork Excavation Work together to uncover "artifacts" and reflect on teamwork. 	☐ 7 Movement Break: Dino Walks Imitate animal or dinosaur movements for fun exercise. 
☐ 8 Create a Family Artifact Choose an item that represents your family and tell its story. 	☐ 9 Timeline Building Create a timeline of your family's important events. 	☐ 10 Read Historical Nonfiction Explore a book/article about ancient life or history. 	☐ 11 Emotion Reflection from the Past Discuss how people in the past may have felt in different situations 	☐ 12 Estimate & Compare Ages Estimate the ages of fossils, people, or objects and compare. 	☐ 13 Storytelling Circle Tell a story based on a "discovered object" 	☐ 14 Nature Fitness Trail Walk or hike and observe the natural environment. 
☐ 15 Hypothesis Challenge Make a guess about what you'll discover and test it 	☐ 16 Read About a Scientist Learn about Mary Anning and her discoveries. 	☐ 17 Cause & Effect Exploration Discuss how one action leads to another in daily life. 	☐ 18 Data Recording Activity Track and record findings from a simple experiment. 	☐ 19 Creative Writing: Discovery Story Write a story about finding something unexpected. 	☐ 20 Strength & Endurance Play Do activities that build strength (carry, lift, move). 	☐ 21 Problem-Solving Dig Scenario Solve a challenge: "What if your dig site collapses?" 

August 2027

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Build a Model Fossil
Use clay or dough to create and measure a model fossil.



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Read & Question
Read a text and generate 3 thoughtful questions.



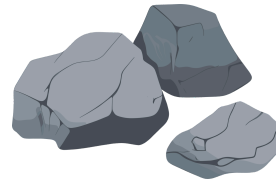
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Emotional Growth
Reflection: Reflect on how you've grown this summer



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Pattern Recognition in Nature: Identify patterns in leaves, rocks, or shells



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Write a Field Report
Document your "discoveries" like a scientist



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Healthy Energy Check
Track energy levels throughout the day and discuss why.



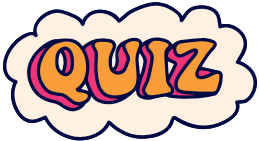
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Collaboration Build Challenge: Work together to build something using limited materials.



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Family Quiz Bowl
Create and answer questions based on what you've learned.



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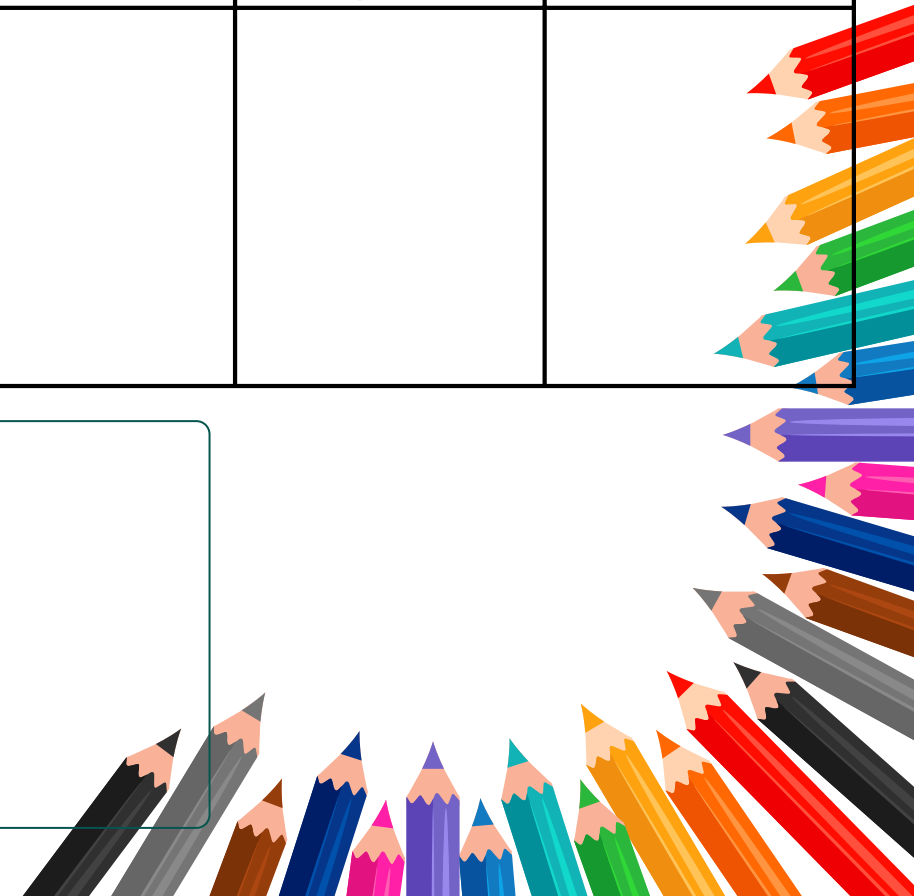
Summer Discovery
Reflection: Share your favorite discoveries and experiences.



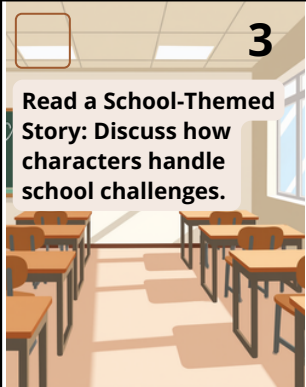
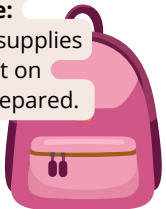
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Family Museum Exhibit & Showcase: Turn your home into a mini "museum" using items, creations, or "artifacts" from the month.

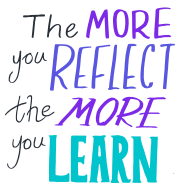
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September 2027

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29	30	31	☐ 1 Morning Routine Design Create and write out a smooth morning routine for school days. 	☐ 2 Schedule Time Blocks Break your day into time blocks and calculate how time is spent. 	☐ 3 Read a School-Themed Story: Discuss how characters handle school challenges. 	☐ 4 Backpack Organization Challenge: Organize supplies and reflect on staying prepared. 
☐ 5 Step Goal Reset Set a new daily movement goal and track progress. 	☐ 6 Focus & Attention Practice Try a short concentration activity (quiet reading, puzzle, breathing). LABOR DAY Labor Day	☐ 7 Create a Homework Space: Design a quiet, effective learning area at home. 	☐ 8 Multiplication Strategy Practice: Practice a new strategy (arrays, grouping, skip patterns). 	☐ 9 Reading Fluency Challenge Read aloud and time progress to improve fluency. 	☐ 10 Growth Mindset Scenarios Discuss how to respond to challenges in school. 	☐ 11 Nutrition & Brain Power Read about foods that support learning and focus. 
☐ 12 Word Problem Creation Write your own math problems and solve them. 	☐ 13 Peer Support Role Play Practice helping a classmate or asking for help. 	☐ 14 Water & Energy Tracker Track hydration and energy levels during the day. 	☐ 15 Weekly Planner Setup Plan out assignments and activities for the week. 	☐ 16 Read & Note-Taking Practice Read a short text and write key points. 	☐ 17 Responsibility Reflection Discuss responsibilities at home and school. 	☐ 18 School Supply Inventory Math: Count and track supplies; identify what's needed. 

September 2027

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
☐ 19 Write a Goal Statement Write one academic and one personal goal. 	☐ 20 Active Break Planning Plan short movement breaks between tasks 	☐ 21 Listening Skills Game Practice listening and following multi-step directions. 	☐ 22 Teacher Communication Practice: Write a respectful email or message to a teacher. 	☐ 23 Data Tracking Grades /Progress Track scores or practice data and look for patterns. 	☐ 24 Read Informational Text Discuss main idea and supporting details 	☐ 25 Emotional Check-In Scale Rate your day and discuss why 
☐ 26 Healthy Sleep Routine Plan: Create a bedtime routine that supports learning. 	☐ 27 Presentation Practice Share a short presentation on a topic of interest. 	☐ 28 Study Strategy Experiment Try two study methods and compare effectiveness. 	☐ 29 Habit Tracker Review Review habits and calculate consistency 	☐ 30 Monthly Reflection & Reset Discuss: What's working? What needs to change? 		

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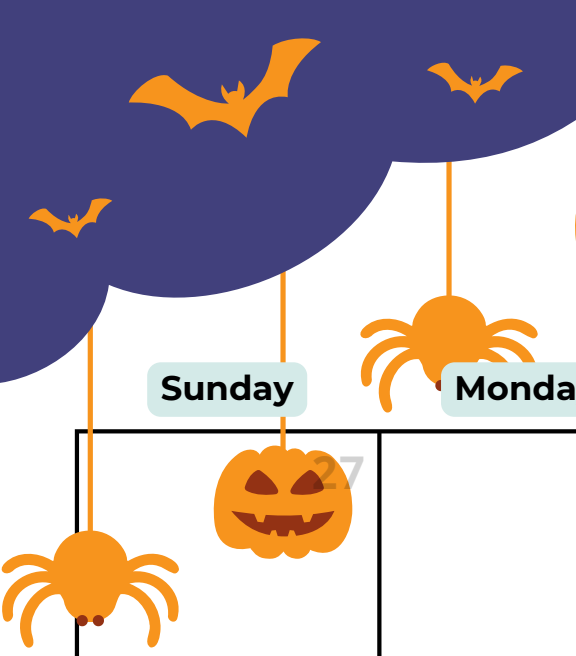
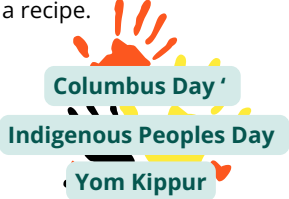
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 27	27	28	29	30	☐ 1 Riddle Writing Challenge Create your own riddles using clues and numbers. 	☐ 2 Healthy Habit Swap Replace one unhealthy habit with a healthier option.  Rosh Hashanah
☐ 3 Read & Infer Read a short passage and infer what is not directly stated.  Rosh Hashanah Day 2	☐ 4 Decision Balance Scale Weigh pros and cons of a decision like a scale self-care. 	☐ 5 Reaction vs. Choice Reflection: Discuss the difference between reacting and choosing responses.	☐ 6 Outdoor Interval Activity Alternate walking/running and time each interval 	☐ 7 Build a Question Board Write questions about things you're curious about. 	☐ 8 Logic Grid Puzzle Solve a structured logic puzzle together 	☐ 9 Read a Suspense Story Discuss how authors build tension. 
☐ 10 Stress Thermometer Tool Create a tool to measure stress levels.  STRESS LEVEL	☐ 11 Ratio Cooking Challenge Adjust ingredient ratios for a recipe.  Columbus Day Indigenous Peoples Day Yom Kippur	☐ 12 Write a Mystery Ending Create your own ending to a mystery story.  MYSTERY AMAZING STORIES!	☐ 13 Conflict "What If" Game Explore different outcomes for one situation  WHAT?	☐ 14 Balance Nutrition Tracker Track food groups over the day. 	☐ 15 Design a Board Game Create a game with rules, scoring, and strategy. 	☐ 16 Read About an Inventor Learn about Lonnie Johnson and his creativity. 

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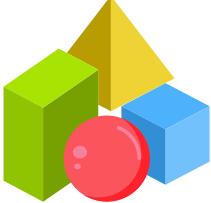
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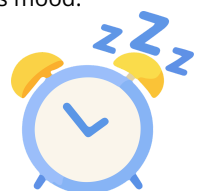
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☐ 17 Emotion Story Mapping Map: Emotions experienced during a story. 	☐ 18 Geometry in Design Use shapes to design patterns or objects 	☐ 19 Write a Persuasive Letter Write about an issue you care about. 	☐ 20 Core Strength Routine Practice exercises that strengthen core muscles. 	☐ 21 Creative Thinking Challenge Brainstorm unusual uses for everyday objects 	☐ 22 Debate & Evidence Support opinions with facts and examples. 	☐ 23 Data Comparison Activity Compare two sets of data and conclude. 
☐ 24 Read & Evaluate Sources Discuss how to tell if information is reliable 	☐ 25 Emotion Regulation Strategies: List and practice ways to stay calm. 	☐ 26 Portion & Calorie Awareness Compare portions and nutritional values. 	☐ 27 Write a Short Play Create a script and act it out 	☐ 28 Coordination & Reaction Drills: Practice quick-response physical activities 	☐ 29 Strategy Game Night Play a game requiring planning and thinking ahead. 	☐ 30 Reflection Dialogue Discuss how your thinking has improved this month. 
☐ 31 Innovation Pitch Day Present a creative idea or invention and explain its value.  Halloween						



November 2027

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	☐ 1 Gratitude Alphabet List something you're thankful for for each letter (A-Z). 	☐ 2 Temperature & Weather Graph: Track daily weather and create a simple graph. 	☐ 3 Read a Story About Giving Discuss why helping others matters. 	☐ 4 Body Scan Relaxation Practice noticing how your body feels from head to toe. 	☐ 5 Meal Portion Fractions Discuss portions using fractions (half, quarter, etc.). 	☐ 6 Thankfulness Chain Create a paper chain of things you appreciate. 
☐ 7 Acts of Service Brainstorm List ways your family can help others this month.  	☐ 8 Donation Sorting & Counting: Sort items to donate and count totals. 	☐ 9 Read About Community Helpers: Discuss roles that support communities. 	☐ 10 Perspective Sharing Circle Share how different people may feel in the same situation. 	☐ 11 Walking Distance Challenge: Track distance walked and compare daily totals. 	☐ 12 Write a Gratitude Note Write to someone you appreciate. 	☐ 13 Budgeting for Giving Plan how to give within a budget. 
☐ 14 Family Service Activity Participate in a small act of service together. 	☐ 15 Read Informational Article Summarize key points and discuss. 	☐ 16 Data Collection: Gratitude Count: Track how many times you express gratitude in a day. 	☐ 17 Emotion Reflection Writing Write about a time you felt grateful or supported. 	☐ 18 Sleep & Mood Connection Track sleep and how it affects mood. 	☐ 19 Compare & Evaluate Choices: Discuss outcomes of different decisions 	☐ 20 Read a Cultural Tradition Story: Learn about how different cultures celebrate gratitude. 

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Mindful Eating Activity
Focus on taste, texture,
and appreciation during a meal.



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Recipe Adjustment Math
Adjust a recipe to serve
more or fewer people.



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Family Memory Writing
Write about a favorite
family memory.



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Emotion Sharing Game
Use prompts to share
feelings openly.



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Gratitude Reflection
Discussion: Discuss what
you're most thankful for
this year.



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Physical Activity Challenge
Try a new fitness activity as
a family.



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Story Retelling Activity
Retell a story from memory
with key details.



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Budget Reflection Math
Review spending and
saving habits.



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Goal Adjustment Plan
Reflect on goals and adjust
for next month.

Set
goals



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Monthly Reflection Journal
Write about what you
learned and how you grew.

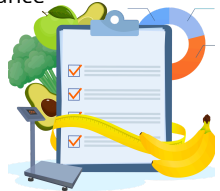


Thanksgiving

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28	29	30	1  Year-in-Review Timeline Create a timeline highlighting important moments from the year. <i>ANOTHER YEAR</i>	2  Temperature Comparison Math: Compare indoor vs. outdoor temperatures and discuss changes. 	3  Read a Winter-Themed Story: Discuss setting, characters, and mood. 	4  Emotional Highlights Chart Chart moments when you felt happy, proud, or challenged. 
5  Movement Countdown Do an exercise countdown (10-1 reps) together.  Hanukkah (1 st Day)	6  Memory Match Game Share a memory and have others guess when it happened. 	7  Reflection Circle Discuss lessons learned this year. <i>CELEBRATE your mistakes it means you're Learning</i>	8  Kindness Calendar Creation: Design a mini calendar of daily kind acts. 	9  Gift Budget Math Plan gifts within a set budget and compare options. 	10  Read About Generosity Discuss why giving matters. 	11  Emotion & Gratitude Cards Create cards expressing appreciation. 
12  Step Goal Winter Challenge Track daily movement despite colder weather 	13  Perspective & Empathy Activity: Discuss how others might feel during the holidays. 	14  Family Service Planning Plan a giving activity for your community. 	15  Pattern Design Wrapping Paper: Create wrapping paper using patterns and shapes. <i>that's a WRAP</i>	16  Read a Cultural Celebration Story: Explore how different cultures celebrate this season. 	17  Self-Care Plan Create a plan for rest, relaxation, and well-being. <i>Self-care Routine</i>	18  Time Estimation Holiday Prep: Estimate how long tasks will take and compare results. 

December 2027

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
19 Write a Holiday Story Create a fictional or personal story about the season. Have a Fun-Filled Holiday	20 Family Dance & Movement Night Dance and celebrate together. 	21 Creative Gift Design Challenge Design a thoughtful, handmade gift. HAND MADE	22 Savings Reflection Review savings habits and set future goals 	23 Read & Reflect on Values Discuss themes like kindness, generosity, and gratitude. 	24 Emotional Check-In & Support Share feelings and offer support to one another. Christmas Eve	25 Family Celebration & Connection Celebrate together with gratitude and joy.  Christmas Hanukkah 1st Day
26 Active Family Fun Day Engage in outdoor or indoor physical activities.  Kwanzaa	27 Write Thank You Notes Express appreciation for gifts or experiences 	28 Nutrition Balance Check Reflect on food choices and balance 	29 Vision Mapping for the New Year Map out hopes and goals for the upcoming year. VISION BOARD	30 Habit Reset Plan Choose habits to continue, stop, or start habit tracker	31 Family Reflection & Celebration Night Celebrate the year, share highlights, and welcome the new year together. New Year's Eve	





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