

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. Make an appointment to spend time with your child this month. Write it on your calendar.
- 2. Help your child make a calendar to record homework due dates and school events.
- 3. Name different types of punctuation with your child.
- 4. Take a family nature walk. See if your child can identify the trees you pass.
- 5. Help your child set a school-related goal. Write down the steps he'll take to reach it. Post it in a visible spot.
- 6. Ask for a list of the school rules. Review them with your child.
- 7. Set up a special place for your child to study.
- 8. It's International Literacy Day. Talk about why reading is important and schedule time for reading aloud with your child.
- 9. Show your child 10 objects. Have her close her eyes while you remove one object. When she opens her eyes, can she guess what's missing?
- 10. Select a spot in your home to display your child's best schoolwork. Change the display often.
- 11. Ask your child to tell you a story.
- 12. Invent a word with your child. Write a silly definition.
- 13. Start a family savings plan for a special goal. Discuss how your family can reach the goal together.
- 14. Assign a place to keep important school papers—a box, basket or folder.
- 15. See if your child can tie a knot behind his back.
- 16. Help your child start a collection.
- 17. Find something small enough to fit in a pocket. Have your child write (or tell you) a story about it.
- 18. Visit an interesting place in your town. Then ask your child to create an advertisement to tell others about it.
- 19. Ask your child to tell you one thing she learned in school today. Share one thing you learned.
- 20. Teach your child ways to handle stress—exercise, get enough sleep, talk about problems.
- 21. Review spelling words with your child tonight.
- 22. Watch the news together. Talk about current events at the dinner table.
- 23. Ask your child, "What one thing makes you feel really excited?"
- 24. Look in the weather section of the newspaper with your child today. What are the forecasted temperature highs and lows?
- 25. Draw a picture with your child. Hang it on the refrigerator.
- 26. Johnny Appleseed was born on this day in 1774. Visit a grocery store. Have your child name the different types of apples he sees.
- 27. Cut out four pictures from a magazine. Ask your child to tell you a story that involves something from each picture.
- 28. At dinner, have family members share the best and worst of their day.
- 29. Ask your child, "If you could go anywhere, where would it be?"
- 30. Talk with your child about the importance of doing her best. Look for examples of people who do their best.



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