

Parent Activity Guide 6

Holiday Happenings-These will be stories, games, activities that relate to the current holiday or celebration. I try to learn about and include all cultures. I always appreciate ideas and feedback in the comments!

-no new activities but LOTS of fun things from weeks 1-5

Story Time-These are generally picture books that I read aloud on a video. They are great for any age and promote early literacy skills-listening for details and comprehension.

1. Guess What Will I Be-a Video story-discusses babies growing up-develops predicting and inferencing skills too
2. I Love You Forever-a reassuring story discussing a mother's love for her son-all ages 😊
-from last week but totally fits this week's theme
3. Podcast-Chapter 5 AND 6 Audio-school age-listening for details, comprehension, inferencing.
Children encouraged to relax and enjoy listening to the story.

Boredom Busters-activities to look forward to that can help "bored" kids entertain themselves or enjoy activities with siblings! They will be learning without even knowing it!

1. Kids are encouraged to grow a pumpkin and keep a journal.

Brain & Body Builders-these activities promote exercise, fun, and the development of executive functions such as sustaining attention, listening, following directions, thinking skills and memory. They provide practice with visual-motor integration and discuss concepts like winning, losing, trying again, and making mistakes. Some of the games etc. are videos and most can have ideas to adapt them to different age groups.

1. Toothpick brain challenge-2 versions-great to promote critical thinking and fine motor skills
2. A yoga activity on video-good for balance, posture, mental clarity and calmness as well as gross motor development.

Activities for Older Kids-These activities can be related to anything! Some may be adaptable for younger children or they can do with help!

1. Acey Deucey game-late add-fun way for bigger kids to practice math skills without knowing it. They will need some coins or different color chips before playing the video game. My older students LOVED this game!

Creative Challenge-activities can be related to anything! Most are adaptable for younger children to do with help!

1. Spud Buds! Kids are encouraged to use materials laying around to decorate potatoes and tell about him or her!
Post to Instagram #mrsrobinspudbuds

Learning Lab- These activities can be related to anything! Some may be adaptable for younger children or they can do with help!

1. A printable activity-kids read the clues and try to figure out what is growing in Mrs. Robin's CRAZY garden!

Feelings Friends-these fun activities feature our Feeling Friends that your kids meet throughout Mrs. Robin's Neighborhood! They focus on social and emotional wellness. They will involve learning and fun through games, art, academic activities and more! They are suitable or adaptable to all ages.

1. Feeling Friends-Printable activity-kids are asked to think about and write how their feelings and interests have changed as they have grown. They may be surprised! Focused on self-knowledge, emotions and writing

Backyard Birds and More-these activities will involve the creatures in Mrs. Robin's Neighborhood and back yard. They can relate to any topic and will be good for or adaptable to any age.

1. Kids are asked to walk around their yard (or neighborhood) and try and find signs of bird nests, eggs, baby birds.
They are asked to post a picture and the bird type and their location to our Twitter page! #mrsrobinsbabybirds
2. A fun art activity that fosters visual recognition, visual-motor integration, attention to detail and fine motor development. Fine for all ages! (Late add from last week)

Twitter-This week's post-see Backyard Birds above

Be sure to watch carefully for pet Rosie and Callie and Cashie to appear in videos and add your sighting to the tally in the Photobomb link on our site!

Ask Dr. D. I will be answering questions you send in via a podcast I will be developing. If you subscribe (which I really need LOL), you can submit the questions and I will do my best to help you out!

Be sure to look at This Week's Activities to see when and where I am going live!

There are lots of activities you may have missed. You can print the older schedules and visit my YouTube, Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. I would REALLY appreciate any feedback and comments on any of the sites! I also need your help in spreading the word and sharing so I can help more kids stay engaged and more parents stay sane. Thanks, Robin