

Daily Learning Planner

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

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

- 1. Ask your child to list three things that would make your community a better place.
- 2. Take a map in the car or on a walk with you. Show your child where you are headed and ask her to help navigate.
- 3. Exchange persuasive letters with your child. Try to convince each other of your points of view.
- 4. Write your child a note of thanks. "It's such a help to me when you do the dishes."
- 5. Together, watch a movie based on a book your child has read. Talk about how the versions are similar and different.
- 6. Discuss an international news event with your child. How is it affecting this country?
- 7. Ask your child to take photos during a family outing.
- 8. Tonight, tell your child a story about yourself at his age.
- 9. Review any goals your child has set recently. Is she working toward them as planned?
- 10. Try a new recipe with your child. This gives him practice following directions.
- 11. When your child tells you something important, restate it in your own words to make sure you understand.
- 12. Peer pressure can be positive. Encourage your child to participate in group activities like sports and volunteering.
- 13. Suggest your child keep a notebook handy when reading. She can list words she isn't sure of, and look them up later.
- 14. Your child may be facing important exams this month. Make sure he gets enough sleep the night before.
- 15. Let your child know the things that make her precious to you.
- 16. Help your child figure out the perimeter and area of his bedroom.
- 17. Let your child see you reading for pleasure.
- 18. Link your child's responsibilities to freedom. As she becomes more responsible, grant her more freedom.
- 19. With your child, check to make sure your smoke detectors work.
- 20. See if your child can name the government leaders of your state.
- 21. At the library, look at some books of paintings with your child.
- 22. Encourage your child to write a thank-you note to a favorite teacher.
- 23. Plan a paperback book swap. Invite your child's friends.
- 24. Make a family visit to a nearby museum.
- 25. Challenge your child to create a recipe and write it down.
- 26. Talk with your child about the importance of resolving conflicts without violence. Discuss ways to do it.
- 27. Ask your child to name an *adjective* and an *adverb*.
- 28. After your child takes notes, have him draw pictures of the key ideas.
- 29. At the grocery store, talk with your child about what kinds of things affect food prices.
- 30. List your priorities in life, including family. Does your schedule reflect what's most important?
- 31. Watch a history program together.

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