

## Activities for Your Kiddos to do at Home

- <u>Scholastic's Learn At Home</u> website
  - Free resources for children that include 20+ days of exciting articles and stories, videos, and fun learning challenges.
- Fun Kid Friendly Recipes
  - Owl Rice Cake Snacks, Critter Cruditès, Apple Nachos, & Chunky Monkey Bites!
- Staying active Keep moving! Frustration and boredom can come when kids are not getting opportunities to be physically active. Here are some ideas:
  - Create an obstacle course in the backyard
  - Go on a family walk or a bike ride
  - Learn to garden and explore the outdoors
  - Practice some yoga poses
  - Have a dance party with your favorite playlist
- Trying new things- Encourage your child to take this free time to try new things! Discover new hobbies and passions in the process.
  - Cook something delicious. <u>These pancake poppers</u> are a great place to start!
  - Try a tasty science experiment
  - Learn to make pretty bath bombs
  - Create an indoor scavenger hunt
  - Play paper telephone
  - Write a family story and take turns illustrating the pages using different art mediums such as crayons, colored pencils, watercolors, pens or pencils
- Learning online
  - <u>PBS Kids Games</u> Play all kinds of curriculum-based games, including math, healthy habits, science, reading and teamwork activities.
  - <u>GeoGuessr</u> GeoGuessr is a geography game that takes you on a journey around the world and challenges your ability to recognize your surroundings. The game uses a semi-randomized Google Street View location and requires players to guess their location in the world using only the clues visible.
  - <u>Project Gutenberg</u> Project Gutenberg is a library of over 60,000 free eBooks. Choose among free epub and Kindle eBooks, download them or read them online. You will find the world's great literature here, with focus on older works for which U.S. copyright has expired. Thousands of volunteers digitized and diligently proofread the eBooks, for enjoyment and education.
  - <u>Science Friday</u> Covering the outer reaches of space to the tiniest microbes in our bodies, Science Friday is full of articles, videos and podcasts about science, technology and other cool stuff.
  - <u>Scholastic Kids</u> Explore Scholastic's collection of kids' books, games and videos.



- Animal Live Cam
  - The nursery at Kitten Rescue Sanctuary in Los Angeles is the best place to see the tiny kittens and special needs cats waiting for their forever homes. Watch a live feed of adorable baby kittens during the day, and tune in the late evenings to see some of the Sanctuary's special needs kittens.
- Melissa and Doug's <u>Stuck inside guide</u>
  - At Melissa & Doug, they're putting their creative brains to work to give you activity ideas to keep your children busy and help you reduce your stress.
- Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden
  - Home Safari Facebook Live each weekday at 3pm. They will highlight one of their amazing animals and include an activity to do from home.
- Disney Plus has released Frozen 2, 3 months early! Check it out on Disney +
- Spring crafts for kids
- Easter craft ideas
- Listen to a real astronaut read you a book from space!
- Explore <u>Mars with Curiosity</u>.
- Watch live jellyfish, beluga whales, <u>African penguins</u>, and more at the Georgia Aquarium's <u>webcams</u>.
- Watch animals live on live zoo webcams across the world, such as <u>lions</u>, <u>naked mole</u> <u>rats</u>, <u>elephants</u> and <u>pandas</u>. Check out links to several zoos and other virtual field trips <u>here</u>. (Note that some animals may not be visible, so try multiple sites.)

## **Resources for Families**

- <u>It Snot Funny</u>- Get an understanding of infectious disease spread!
- Comforting your child It is important for parents to listen to and empathize with their children's fears, speak truthfully about the situation in an age-appropriate manner and put it into context, the experts say. Try to enjoy having more spare time than usual, especially during what can be very rare downtime for kids. Parents can be prepared with games, craft, schoolwork and books!