

Daily Learning Planner

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

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

- ☐ 1. Talk with your child about what you each learned today.
- ☐ 2. Look over your child's homework. Give specific compliments and constructive criticism.
- ☐ 3. Discuss tonight's assignments together before your child gets started.
- ☐ 4. Have family members take photos of each other. Who can make the funniest face?
- ☐ 5. Is your child's room messy? Set the timer for a 15-minute pick-up blitz before your student does something fun.
- ☐ 6. Ask your child to figure out how many square feet of carpeting it would take to cover the floor in a room at home.
- ☐ 7. Help your child research to find out more about careers of interest.
- ☐ 8. This evening, let your child choose a screen-free card or board game for the family to play together.
- ☐ 9. Ask your child to estimate the length of a table in your home, then measure to check.
- ☐ 10. When your child studies for a test, suggest starting each study session at a different place in the class notes.
- ☐ 11. Take your child to a service station. Demonstrate how to check the oil and fill the car's tank with gasoline.
- ☐ 12. List three of your child's successes last week. List three of your own. Post the lists where you can both see them.
- ☐ 13. Teach your child how to make a favorite dish.
- ☐ 14. Your child may say, "Everyone else is doing it." Don't cave in—say, "Well, we aren't."
- ☐ 15. Check on your child's grades. If necessary, help your student plan how to raise them before the year ends.
- ☐ 16. Middle schoolers are old enough to have a say in their day-to-day lives. Review a few of your household rules together.
- ☐ 17. Does your child have a big job ahead? Have your student set a timer for five minutes and just get started.
- ☐ 18. Give your child chances to write—details of family meetings, shopping lists, descriptions of family activities, etc.
- ☐ 19. Have an indoor family campout. Make a tent from a blanket. Eat s'mores and read scary stories.
- ☐ 20. Encourage your child to pay attention to details about reading material. Who wrote it? Who published it? When?
- ☐ 21. Plan a family spelling bee. Give the winner a special award.
- ☐ 22. Celebrate Earth Day by helping your child do something good for the environment, such as planting a tree.
- ☐ 23. Have a family fire drill. Check to make sure your smoke alarms work.
- ☐ 24. When your child overreacts, it's important for you not to. Set a time to talk later when you both are in control.
- ☐ 25. Point out an example of prejudice to your child. Talk about ways to handle intolerance.
- ☐ 26. Plan a weekend family activity. Let your child invite a friend.
- ☐ 27. Together, use an astronomy chart to identify constellations at night.
- ☐ 28. Declare this an Acts of Kindness Day. Make a special effort to be kind to each other. It may become a habit!
- ☐ 29. Mention one thing you admire most about your child as a student.
- ☐ 30. Ask your child to give you examples of a complete sentence, an incomplete sentence and a run-on sentence.