

October 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 Enjoy a family day together.	30 Identify the shapes in the house.	1 Give your child a household job like putting cups on the table for dinner.	2 Play follow the leader first you go and then your child is next.	3 Read with your child today for "read for the record" day.	4 Identify community helpers in your community.	5 Visit an apple orchard and pick some apples together.
6 Go outside and looking at the leaves, discover what colors they are.	7 Together with your child, look at a book seeing the pictures before the text.	8 Find objects in your house that are the color yellow, saying the color as you find them.	9 While visiting a local community helper, say thank you for their help.	10 Gather leaves outside and glue them to a piece of paper to create a collage.	11 Go on an acorn hunt and count how many you find.	12 Take a walk outside to the library to check out some new books.
13 Pick out 2-3 books that you would like to read before bed tonight.	14 Name the shapes that you can see in your house. Exp: square window	15 Use a scissors to cut snips of paper to help build up strength in their hands.	16 Ask your child about the weather and have he /she identify what they see and feel.	17 Practice listening skills by playing the game of "Simon Say's".	18 When reading a story identify the words that rhyme.	19 Make a drawing of the fall using many different colors, or color a fall picture.
20 Go and pick out a pumpkin together.	21 Do a sink and float project using household items. Draw your findings.	22 Make a picture for someone and send it to them in the mail.	23 While driving home, identify letters that you see along the way.	24 Help your child put magnetic letters in the correct alphabetic order.	25 Together sort or count things like socks, canned soups, buttons, etc.	26 Visit an older person and show them your costume for Halloween.
27 Sort out your socks, putting the pairs that match together noticing that there is only 2.	28 Carve a Jack-o-lantern out of your pumpkin.	29 Toast the seeds from inside of you pumpkin and see how they taste.	30 Play dress up today or put together your costume.	31 Happy Halloween. Be careful while out trick or treating.		

Parent tips:

Designate appropriate places for your child to use scissors and discuss the safety rules.

Decide on some simple rules for your child for using the drawing and writing materials. Example: “markers may be used at the kitchen table or outside” or “scissors are for only cutting paper” and “only used when parents are around”.

Create a storage container with your child for writing and drawing materials. Decorate any way you would like painting or putting their name on it, then keep it in a safe place for your child.

Show your child how they can clearly label their belongings for school or other places with their name. Show how to write their name, or they can write their name on it.

Websites:

www.dltk.com/craft/miscellaneous/scissors_skills.htm

www.crayola.com/explore-colors.aspx