

ULTIMATE SUMMER ACTIVITY LIST WITH KIDS

HOME

- Tent day (blanket forts with books/snacks/movies/pajamas)
- Dance party
- Family read aloud
- Board games
- LEGOs/Magna Tiles
- Write a letter or postcard
- Puzzles
- Pillow fight
- Charades
- Build a giant train/car track
- Gather all the out-of-place things in a pile & return them to their homes)
- Home repair
- Spa day (nails & facials)
- Create secret handshakes & jokes
- Play murder in the dark
- Balloon tennis
- Stuffed animal tea party

SCREENS

- Screen on the Green
- Do a video interview of a relative
- \$1 summer movie in theater
- Make home videos
- Photography walk
- Dance videos
- Backyard movie
- Who Am I? app game
- Yoga for kids
- Drive in
- Active video game (Kinect Sensor)
- Magic trick video
- TV shows from when you were a kid
- Make photo wall of summer activities
- Watch cartoons
- Video call someone you don't talk to often
- IMAX

FOOD

- Picnic
- Ethnic food you've never tried
- Make popsicles
- Grill (pizza is fun!)
- Homemade ice cream
- Fruit and popcorn for dinner
- Farmer's market
- Food crawl (ice cream, doughnuts, milkshakes, tacos, etc.)
- Make s'mores
- Make bread
- Fast food (and play in the play place)
- Make pina colodas
- Fruit picking
- Watermelon seed spitting contest
- Kids-eat-free restaurant
- Corn on the cob
- Blender snow cones

SHOWS

- Fireworks
- Children's theater
- Magic show
- Puppet show
- Jazz
- Parade
- Symphony
- Dance
- Shakespeare in the park
- Escape room
- Musical theater
- Outdoor concert
- Planetarium show
- Ice show (e.g., Disney on Ice)
- Ethnic music
- Patriotic band
- Opera

ART

- Paint rocks
- Origami
- Cursive/lettering
- Make something with a box
- Read a book about an artist
- Leaf/flower art
- Self portraits
- Full body (washable) paint outside
- Driveway chalk
- Draw clouds
- Paint "en plein air"
- Construction paper mosaics
- Make your own instruments
- Make paper bag puppets (and put on a show)
- Make bird feeders
- Homemade playdough
- Make a time capsule

PARTIES

- Summer book club
- Holiday (4th of July, end of school)
- S'mores party
- Newlywed game
- Minute to win it
- Dessert
- Breakfast
- Root beer float party
- Mission Impossible Party
- Popsicle party
- Outdoor games party (hula hoop, jump rope, hopscotch)
- Ice cream cookie sandwich party
- Fiesta (Tex-Mex, pinata, etc.)
- "Chopped" cooking party
- Paper airplane making party
- Luau
- Lemonade party

LEARNING

- Science experiments
- Summer reading program
- Baking math
- Learn the song for states & capitals
- Listen to one composer for a day
- Learn a new math skill
- Read a biography
- Write and act out a play
- Read a book about another country
- Learn how to say thank you in another language
- Typing practice
- Egg drop contest
- Learn how to juggle
- Listen to an audiobook
- Online kids coding class
- Learn how to fold a flag
- Learn how to tie a knot

SERVICE

- Read a book to a sibling
- Pick up trash at a park
- Put water bottles & granola bars in car to hand out
- Do someone else's chore
- Give someone a hug
- Hold the door open for someone
- Give someone a compliment
- Set out snacks/drinks for delivery people
- Hand out Otter Pops
- Ask about someone's interests
- Pray for someone
- Say a cheerful hello
- Sit by someone new
- Smile at someone
- Use a kind voice
- Draw a picture for someone
- Ask someone how they're doing