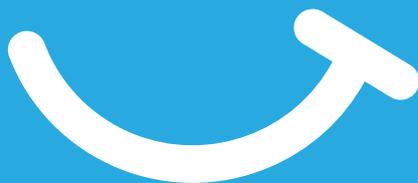


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HOME EDITION



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Family Fortress



Make

- Grab anything from bed sheets, blankets, throws, table cloths, tarpaulin and doonas to create a large family tent in your home.
- Use chairs to help prop up the walls of your tented fortress.
- Use rope, pegs, ties, anything you can find to tie, fasten and secure the tent structure.

Decorate

- Find some items to decorate the space and create comfort – pillows, cushions, a rug.
- Fairy light decorations
- Tent rules
- Find comfort items needed for the tent – fill it with your favourite things

Use tent time for

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Reading | <input type="checkbox"/> The starting place for a game of hide and seek | <input type="checkbox"/> Have a projector – use google Earth App and project the night sky onto the roof of your tent for some night time star gazing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping | <input type="checkbox"/> Family meeting space – for Facetime/Skype/online sessions with friends and family | <input type="checkbox"/> Play 2 truths and 1 lie |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family meals | <input type="checkbox"/> Meditation Space – down time | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Role play | <input type="checkbox"/> Space for invite only - time out | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Teddy Bears Picnic | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A free time/ screen time only place | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flash light – shadow puppets | | |

Puppet Show



Make

- Short Film:** Create a story using a video of stuffed animals and toys
- Toy Animation:** Grab a toy, take a pic and download an app like Chatterpix to make your toy speak.
- Sock puppet:** Grab a sock - draw, sew or paste eyes on. Add other decorations found around the house to give your puppet character and personality. Create a puppet show.
- Shadow puppets:** Grab a torch or projector light, a sheet, your hands and your imagination to create a range of shadow hand puppets.
Check out the following links:
 - (ALIA, 2019) Shadow puppet design:
https://www.alia.org.au/sites/default/files/LLD%202019%20shadow%20puppets_all.pdf
 - (Drama4Kids, 2020) How to make hand shadow puppets:
<http://drama4kids.com/activities/31-how-to-make-hand-shadow-puppets>
- Human Puppet:** tie string to a friend's hands – move their limbs – Control their movements
- Ventriloquist:** Grab a toy and try to give the item a voice – without moving your mouth. Try this with a human puppet also.
Check out Jeff Dunham's YouTube channel.
 - Dunham, J. (2018) How to be a Ventriloquist, Lesson 1. [Youtube] Jeff Dunham:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2e0P8TL1PtI>

Puppet Show

Create

- Music Video:** Choose a favourite music video clip for your puppet/s to perform. Create your own music video using your puppets – perform live or film for viewing and sharing with others.
- Short Film:** Choose a favourite story to play out with the puppets you have created.
- TicTok:** Use this platform to create a trending short clip using puppets. (Parental permission required)
- Puppet Show:** Create tickets and invites for your own puppet show. Perform for family at home or for others safely and supervised online.
- Take a story read for school:** Transform the plot into a 60 second recount – using puppets.
- Recreate** a historical event, a short story or picture book using a format from above
- Use your skills in ventriloquism:** Tell jokes with a created puppet
- Read a book that contains animals:** Consider how you would create new shapes and animals using hand/shadow puppetry.



Charades



Make

Write the suggestions on the next page (or your own) on small pieces of paper - don't let the other players see. One actor – takes one suggestion from the pile - and plays out the action without words or props for their team mate to guess. Use a time limit. 1 point if the team gets it right in the time limit. Swap and continue.

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Variations

- Get 2 people to work together without words or planning to mime their selected suggestion
- Turn the game into Pictionary – one person is the artist (no words can be used) who draws the suggestion selected – others must guess what it is. Points awarded if guessed in time limit. Can have teams where there is one suggestion and 2 artists on separate pieces of paper trying to draw the same suggestion for both teams to guess.
- Reenact scenes from favourite movies for the family to guess.

Charades Suggestions

Finding Nemo	Lipstick	Emma - The Wiggles	Laser Tag
Shrek	Frog	Elsa – Frozen	Selfie
Sleeping Beauty	Tree	Spiderman	Windscreen Wipers
Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory	Treehouse	Baby Shark	Cookie Monster
Puss in Boots	Light bulb	Cinderella	Hot Chocolate
Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs	Cricket	Cowboy/Cowgirl	Ice block
Olof	Sushi	Sherlock Holmes	Chef
The Jungle Book	Bunch of flowers	Dracula	Bookworm
Inside Out	Unicorn	Santa Clause	Toilet paper
The Wizard of Oz	3 blind mice	Queen	Honey
Frozen	Popcorn	Peeling an orange	Banana split
Harry Potter	Apple juice	Pillow fight	Jumper
Climbing the stairs	Swimming pool	Washing your hands	Chicken soup
Rollercoaster	Beach	Ironing	Parachute
Pilot	iPad	Playing golf	Birthday cake
Boarding a plane	Spaghetti	Needle in a hay-stack	Sausage dog
Eating corn on the cob	My Little Pony	Heavy Metal	French fries
Ping pong	Doctor	Netflix	Burger King
Vacuum	Artist	McHappy Meal	Three legged race
Take out the garbage	Fire Fighter	Drive through	Bowling
Make the bed	KFC	Photographer	Twister
Drink tea	Dishwasher	Witch	School
Shaving	Gymnastics	Soccer player	Fireplace
Farting	Roblox	Toast	Toasting marshmallows
Blow a kiss	Chicken nuggets	Pizza	Egg and spoon race
Tying a shoelace	Fortnite	Snake	Crossword

Mindfulness and Colouring

Make

Find some printables to colour from the following links

- http://www.betweenessions.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/mindfulness-coloring-book-4_25-16.pdf
- http://youthfocus.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/YF_Mindful-Colouring_FA.pdf

Check Pinterest for printable colouring sheets!

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Don't have a printer?

- Find something in the house that has an interesting pattern. Trace it or hand draw the completed pattern.
- Create a tessellation design. (Grades 6 to 8)
http://annex.exploratorium.edu/geometryplayground/Activities/GP_Activities_6-8/ExploringTessellations_%206-8_v4.pdf
- Find a Photo – trace, draw detail and colour. Use paint, collage, coloured pens, sharpies, chalk, charcoal set to transform the image

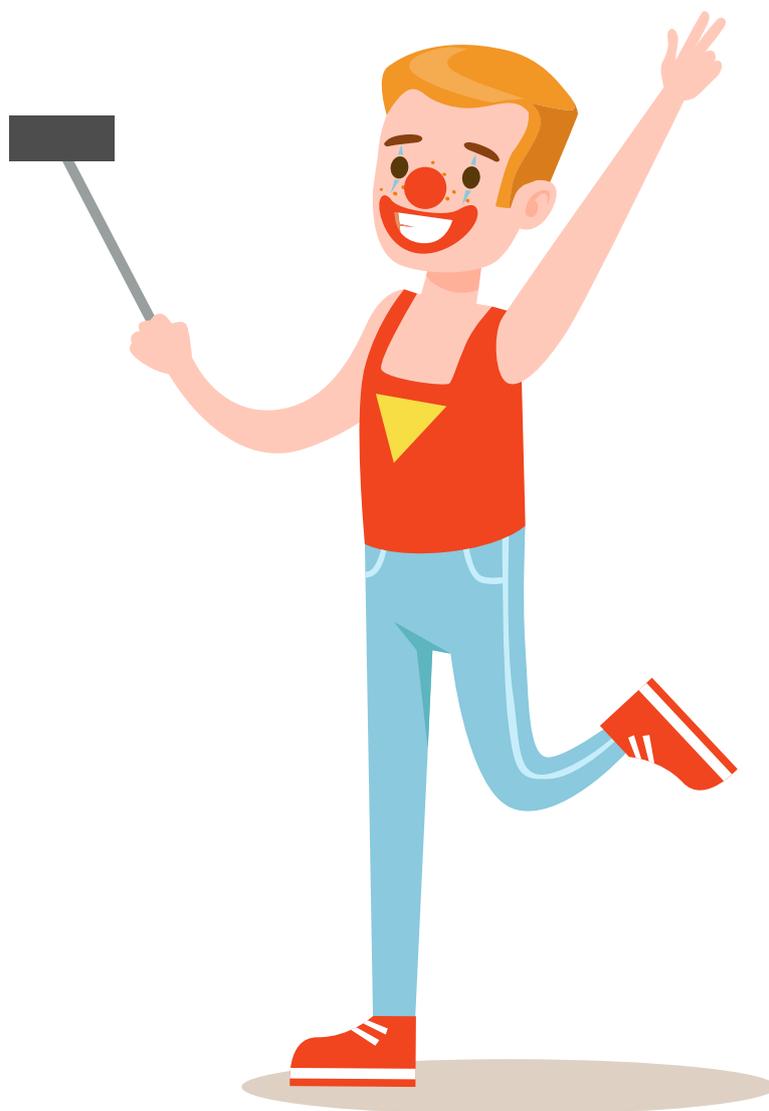


Talent Show

Create

Create and host a fun talent show with friends and family online. Set a date, time and items from each member/household to contribute.

Connect with friends and family using Zoom or Google Hangout to perform to the group. Invite extended family members to view and stay connected.



Family and Friends Photo Fun



Create

Flick through old family photos together. Make a new album, reenacting old family photos. Have a night of viewing and sharing of the before and after pics.

Variations

- Create memes from old photos of friends and family. Have a competition for the best meme per image.
- Show old pics of family and friends – get the kids to guess who people are – share stories of each image. Invite other family members to join online.
- Create images of your family members caught in the moment during the week – be ready to share images for a photo fun family night.
- Create a photo board of the fun and craziness you get up to over the holidays and beyond.
- Find an old photo filled with family/friends. Recreate the pic by drawing it – amp up the fun by giving family members or friends a time limit to draw the photo and then share. This can be done at home or extended online using chat platforms (under supervision - e.g. Zoom, Google Hangouts, etc).

Read Aloud

Read

Read aloud to your family and friends at home, over the phone or via the internet.

Read to the family pet.

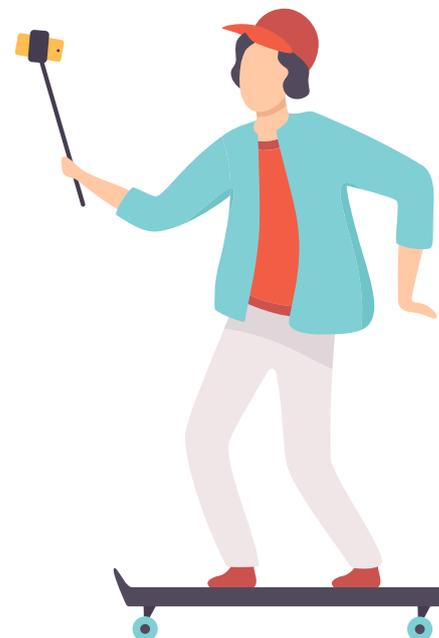
Create your own footage of reading a book aloud.

Read to someone older, someone younger.

Family reading – choose a book, together – read a page each.



Create an Instructional Video



Create

Learnt a new skill? Create an instructional video on the following topics (or your own) for sharing with others

Ideas

New dance moves

Playing soccer

Playing an instrument

Your favourite recipe

Magic trick

Gardening

Make a bed

Care for a pet

Singing / sing in a different language

Drawing a cartoon

Card tricks

Rubik's Cube

Karaoke

Skateboard tricks

Skipping rope tricks

Watch a Beamafilm

Watch

Your library membership provides access to the Beamafilm service. There you can find free access to a range of Australian and International content from family films to documentaries. Access can be gained from visiting www.beamafilm.com and selecting Woollahra Libraries. Have your library card details ready for access.



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Enjoy a Book

Read

Woollahra Libraries offer a range of reading resources for your enjoyment.

Visit the following link to access a range of content suitable for a range of ages and interests:

http://www.woollahra.nsw.gov.au/library/explore_our_collection/onlinelibrary

Use your Woollahra Libraries membership card to access:

- Overdrive
- Bolinda
- RB Digital
- Story Box Library



Create a Picture Book

Create

If you love writing, reading and drawing this will be a super fun activity to do.

You'll need A4 paper, a pencil to write with, an eraser and some coloured pens or pencils for your pictures. Take your A4 pieces of paper and fold them in half together so you have a book shape with pages that can turn.

Have a think about how long your story will be so you can choose the right amount of pages. Once you've folded all the pages together you might like to staple your new book along the spine so the pages don't come loose.

Now you can think about what story you are going to write. You might like to write a picture book which has big pictures on each page with a small amount of words or you could write a longer story with smaller pictures.

Is your story an adventure story, a mystery story, a ghost story or something else?



Learn a New Language

Learn

Jó napot! That's how you say hello in Hungarian.

Today's activity is learning some phrases from another language. You can do this by accessing Mango Languages through Woollahra Libraries. Just follow the link below to our website. You'll need to set up an account which you can do for free. Once this is done, choose a language and do some lessons to learn a few phrases. Practice these phrases with other members in your home.

https://www.woollahra.nsw.gov.au/library/explore_our_collection/onlinelibrary/learn_a_language



Create Something New from an Old Cardboard Box

Create

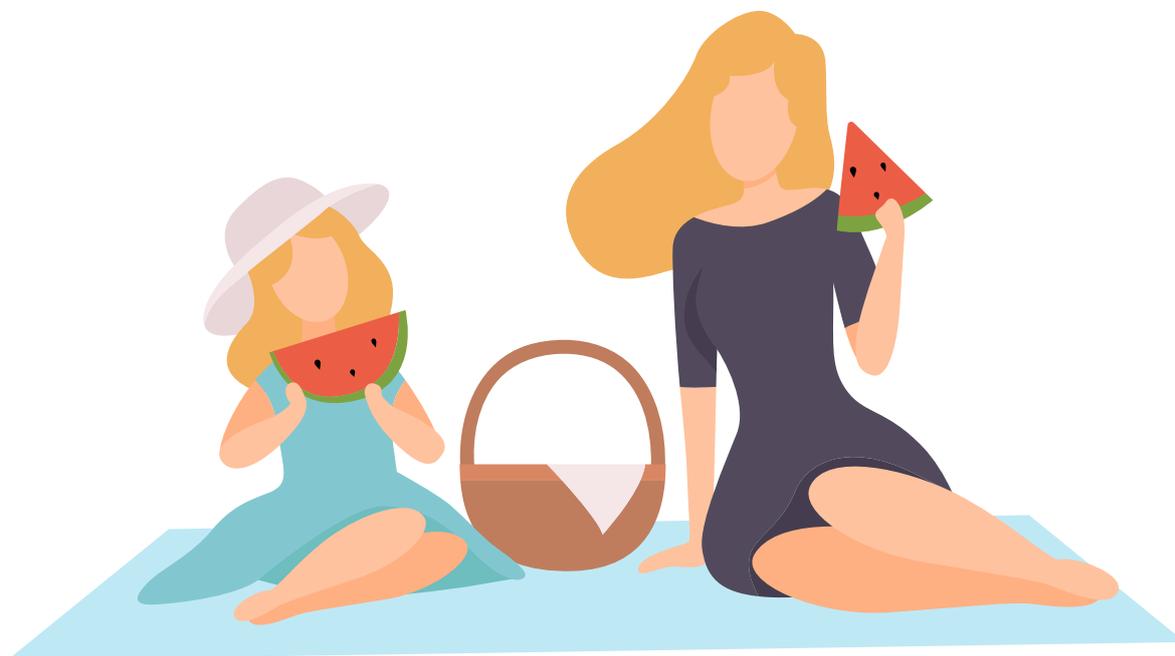
Today's activity is making something new and wonderful out of an old cardboard box. This is a great activity to do just before rubbish collection day so you can raid the recycling bin. You'll need a recycled cardboard box and materials such as scissors, glue, tape and other recycled objects. Have a think about what you'd like to make. Maybe a castle, a boat, or a car, or even a microwave! Then start turning your old cardboard box into something amazing! (Don't forget, you may need a big person's help if you're using scissors!)



Create an Indoor Picnic

Create

Instead of eating dinner at the table today, create an indoor picnic! Grab a picnic blanket (if you don't have a picnic blanket you can use a spare sheet or something similar) and spread it out over the floor in a common area or even in the kitchen. Then you can set up your meal on your picnic rug. It might be a good to eat something that is not going to spill easily or be super messy. Don't forget to wash your hands before you eat!



Play Some Talking Games



Play

There are lots of fun talking games to play these school holidays. You might like to play these games while sitting in your living room or while you eat a meal at the table together.

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20 Questions

In this game, one person thinks of something - an object, an animal, a plant or a mineral. The rest of the group can then ask 20 questions to try and guess what it is. The questions asked can only be answered with 'yes' or 'no'. Take turns at asking questions. You are allowed to keep asking questions until the answer is no, then it is the next person's turn. Once the twenty questions are up, see how many more questions it takes to get the correct answer. Write down each player's name and keep a score of how many times they thought of something that couldn't be guessed in 20 questions.

Step-by-Step Story Telling Game

In this game, you can create a story together step-by-step. It might be a good idea to take turns in a circle by sitting around the room or a table. Each person adds a sentence to the story when it's their turn. For example, the first storyteller could start your story by saying 'Once upon a time there was a kangaroo who loved to bounce and hop more than anything in the world.' Now the next storyteller can add another sentence to your story, something like 'One day, the kangaroo bounced so much and so high that he bounced right off the earth and into space.' See how long your story can go for, add in new characters and take them on an adventure.

Ban a Word for a Day

Choose a word together to become the banned word for the day. It's a good idea to pick something that is said often like 'fridge'. Next, agree on a consequence for anyone who is caught saying that word. For example if you say 'fridge' then you have to do ten star jumps on the spot. The challenge is not to say that word for the whole day. Listen out for anyone who accidentally says the banned word and make sure they do star jumps!



Play the Peg Game

Play

This sneaky and fun game can be played all day! Start by grabbing a handful of pegs from the laundry. Give five pegs to each person playing in your home. The aim of the game is to try and get rid of your five pegs. You do this by pegging each peg onto someone else, without them noticing! If they catch you doing it, you have to hold onto that peg and try again.

At the end of the day the person with the least number of pens wins!



3D Colouring In

Create

Bring your colouring in sheets to life! Ask an adult to download the Quiver app to a mobile phone or iPad. Print off and colour in different stencils available on the Quiver website - www.quivervision.com. There are lots of fun sheets to pick from. Once you have finished colouring in your picture, open up the Quiver app on the mobile phone or iPad and hover the camera over your artwork. Watch as your picture becomes three dimensional – it will move around and make sound.

