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September (First)

Parents, please ask your child to complete at least 15 total activities. Initial each box that your child finishes and return this form by Monday, Oct. 6, 2014.

Name the seven continents and the oceans of Earth. <input type="checkbox"/>	Using toys or other objects, make an AAB pattern. Now make an ABC pattern. <input type="checkbox"/>	Look at some paintings by Georgia O'Keefe. Paint a picture of a flower. <input type="checkbox"/>	Study and memorize your 0 and 1's addition facts. <input type="checkbox"/>	Create a plastic bottle invention. Come up with a new way to use a plastic bottle. <input type="checkbox"/>
Use magnetic letters to spell out your spelling words <input type="checkbox"/>	Draw a picture of your footprint. Measure it in centimeters. <input type="checkbox"/>	Research and find what Florida's state bird and flower are. Draw a picture of one of them. <input type="checkbox"/>	How many sit ups can you do in one minute? Have a grown up time you. <input type="checkbox"/>	Read or listen to a book by Laura Numeroff. Draw a picture of the characters. <input type="checkbox"/>
Go on a search for spheres in and around your home. List the objects that you found. <input type="checkbox"/>	Which of these will roll further: a ping pong ball, a balloon filled with air, or a baseball. Roll each one and measure the distance of each. <input type="checkbox"/>	Talk about the types of clouds. Draw or paint at least one type. <input type="checkbox"/>	Study and memorize your 2's addition facts. <input type="checkbox"/>	Make a card for your grandparents or another family member. <input type="checkbox"/>
Look for patterns in nature. Can you name 1 item from each category: spirals, branching, radial symmetry, polygons, and waves? <input type="checkbox"/>	Tell your parents as many U.S. symbols as you can remember. Look some up in a book or on the internet. <input type="checkbox"/>	Listen to some music by Mozart. What is your favorite musical piece? <input type="checkbox"/>	Research and find the names of 5 nebulae. Draw a picture of one of them. <input type="checkbox"/>	With the help of a parent, make some invisible ink. Dip a toothpick into lemon juice and write with it on plain paper. Dip toothpick in juice frequently. Hold paper up to a lamp and watch the message appear. <input type="checkbox"/>
Cut pictures of your favorite things out of a magazine and glue them to make a collage. <input type="checkbox"/>	Van Gogh painted lots of amazing paintings. Look at some of his paintings. What was your favorite? Try and paint a picture like his. <input type="checkbox"/>	Study the sight word lists from our class web page. <input type="checkbox"/>	Look at and taste 3 different types of apples. How are they alike? How are they different? <input type="checkbox"/>	Describe the water cycle to your parents. Draw a picture of the water cycle. <input type="checkbox"/>

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October (First)

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Try a recipe from any country in North America outside of the United States. Write the type of food, country of origin, and if you liked it or not. <input type="checkbox"/>	Put 10 red, 5 blue, 3 green, and 7 yellow circles in a bag. Choose a circle without looking 10 times. Record your results. <input type="checkbox"/>	Draw a picture and write about your best friend. <input type="checkbox"/>	Listen to some music by Beethoven. What is your favorite musical selection? <input type="checkbox"/>	Name your five senses. Cut out pictures of something you can do with each sense. <input type="checkbox"/>
Make homemade caramel popcorn balls with your family. <input type="checkbox"/>	Draw a picture or write about a book by Mercer Mayer. <input type="checkbox"/>	With a parent, check all of the smoke detectors in your home. Replace the batteries if necessary. <input type="checkbox"/>	Build a structure with toothpicks and marshmallows. <input type="checkbox"/>	Astronauts in space walk on a treadmill for 15 to 30 minutes a day. Walk in place for 5 minutes and describe how you feel. <input type="checkbox"/>
Study and memorize your 3's addition tables. <input type="checkbox"/>	Locate Canada on a map. Which direction would you go from the USA to get to Canada? <input type="checkbox"/>	Do something to help someone today. How does it make you feel to help others? <input type="checkbox"/>	Write a story about your favorite animal. Draw a picture to go with your story. <input type="checkbox"/>	Use a magnet to experiment with at least 10 items. Which ones can the magnet pick up? Why? <input type="checkbox"/>
Leonardo DaVinci painted one of the most recognizable paintings in the world, Mona Lisa. It is a painting of a merchant's wife. Draw and color a picture of an important woman in your life. <input type="checkbox"/>	Name as many countries as you remember from Central America. <input type="checkbox"/>	Tell your parents 5 Spanish words that you know. <input type="checkbox"/>	Go to a pumpkin patch and choose a pumpkin to bring home. What can you do with it? <input type="checkbox"/>	Make a list of items that are solid, liquid, and gas. <input type="checkbox"/>
Make of a map of your house. Show escape routes in the event of a fire. <input type="checkbox"/>	Help your parent make a recipe. Use measuring cups or spoons. <input type="checkbox"/>	Write a spooky story. <input type="checkbox"/>	Study and memorize your 4's addition tables. <input type="checkbox"/>	Write the moon phases on a calendar for a month. <input type="checkbox"/>

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Parents, please ask your child to complete at least 15 total activities. Initial each box that your child finishes and return this form by Monday, Dec. 1, 2014.

Practice reading some of the words on your sight word list on our class web-page. <input type="checkbox"/>	Study and memorize your 5's addition tables. <input type="checkbox"/>	Indian corn grows in many different colors. Use tweezers to pick the kernels off. Make a graph to represent the number of each color of kernel. <input type="checkbox"/>	Find 10 objects in your house. Sort them by weight from the lightest to the heaviest. <input type="checkbox"/>	Try a recipe from South America. Write down the recipe and say whether you like it or not. <input type="checkbox"/>
Tell your parents 5 new Spanish words that you know. <input type="checkbox"/>	Collect some leaves. How many different color leaves can you find? <input type="checkbox"/>	Go stargazing with your family. Can you name any constellations? <input type="checkbox"/>	Write a story about the first Thanksgiving. <input type="checkbox"/>	Find 2 simple machines in or around your home. <input type="checkbox"/>
Put a turkey bone in vinegar for several days. Observe what happens to the bone. <input type="checkbox"/>	Read a story or have a story read to you written by Tomie de Paola. <input type="checkbox"/>	How long does it take for 3 drops of food color to mix in a glass of cold water? Warm water? <input type="checkbox"/>	Blow soap bubbles on paper to make a picture. <input type="checkbox"/>	Study and memorize your 6's addition tables. <input type="checkbox"/>
Make a Thanksgiving or fall craft. <input type="checkbox"/>	Name 5 animals that live in South America. <input type="checkbox"/>	Write the word <i>Thanksgiving</i> . How many words can you make using those letters? <input type="checkbox"/>	Make a list of 5 things you are thankful for. <input type="checkbox"/>	Listen to some music by Bach. What was your favorite musical selection? <input type="checkbox"/>
Make some nature rubbings. Use a piece of white paper and dark crayons. Make rubbings of tree trunks. Flowers, leaves, etc. <input type="checkbox"/>	Draw a picture showing your favorite season. <input type="checkbox"/>	Paul Cezanne painted pictures of things that didn't move. These were called still life portraits. Draw a still life portrait of something of your choice. <input type="checkbox"/>	What things would you need to do in order to take care of a pet? Write about it. <input type="checkbox"/>	Visit a pet store. Name and count the different types of animals you saw. Make a graph to show how many of each type of animal you saw. <input type="checkbox"/>

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December (First)

Parents, please ask your child to complete at least 15 total activities. Initial each box that your child finishes and return this form by Monday, Jan. 5, 2015

Write a letter to Santa. <input type="checkbox"/>	How long will it take to eat a candy cane without biting it? Make a prediction and then try it out. <input type="checkbox"/>	Penguins are black and white. Make a list of other animals that are black and white. <input type="checkbox"/>	Write a story about a winter holiday. <input type="checkbox"/>	Plant 2 different kinds of seeds in some soil and record what happens over this month. <input type="checkbox"/>
Tell something you know about Antarctica. <input type="checkbox"/>	Look up your last name and a friend's last name in the phone book. Which name has more listings? <input type="checkbox"/>	Ask your parents to show you sets of change with dimes, nickels and pennies. Count each set. <input type="checkbox"/>	Study and memorize your 7's addition tables. <input type="checkbox"/>	Volunteer to do a community service project. <input type="checkbox"/>
Place a stalk of celery in a glass of water. Add food coloring. Observe what happens over a few days. <input type="checkbox"/>	Make a holiday craft or recipe. <input type="checkbox"/>	If you could give your mom or dad any gift, what would it be and why? Write about it. <input type="checkbox"/>	Georges Seurat painted in a style called pointillism. Artists that painted this way used small dots of different colors to make a picture. Draw a picture using pointillism. <input type="checkbox"/>	Find out how many pennies it will take to make a glass of water overflow. Fill a glass nearly to the brim with water. Drop pennies into the glass until it starts to overflow. How many pennies did it take? <input type="checkbox"/>
Study and memorize your 8's addition tables. <input type="checkbox"/>	What is your favorite Jan Brett book? Write or draw a picture about it. <input type="checkbox"/>	Sing one of the songs we've learned in class for your parent. <input type="checkbox"/>	Teach your parent 5 words in sign language. <input type="checkbox"/>	Watch the Swan Lake ballet by Tchaikovsky. <input type="checkbox"/>
Bake some cookies with your family. <input type="checkbox"/>	Draw a picture or write about a family tradition. <input type="checkbox"/>	Write about something fun you did during your winter break. <input type="checkbox"/>	Practice reading your sight words. <input type="checkbox"/>	Make a list of 5 things you would like to do in 2015. <input type="checkbox"/>

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January (First)

Parents, please ask your child to complete at least 15 total activities. Initial each box that your child finishes and return this form by Monday, Feb. 2, 2015

On the 100 th day of school (Jan. 21) record the high and low temperatures. Add the two temperatures together. Is the sum greater, less than, or equal to 100? <input type="checkbox"/>	Create a family tree. <input type="checkbox"/>	Act out a scene for your parents from your favorite Magic School Bus book. <input type="checkbox"/>	Name 5 foods from each food group. <input type="checkbox"/>	Practice dribbling a basketball. Use only one hand at a time. <input type="checkbox"/>
Write your spelling words in alphabetical order. <input type="checkbox"/>	Study and memorize your 9's addition tables. <input type="checkbox"/>	Tell your parent something you remember about Harriett Tubman. <input type="checkbox"/>	Make a bird feeder out of recyclable materials. <input type="checkbox"/>	Write down all the foods you ate today. Did you eat something from all the food groups? <input type="checkbox"/>
Look at some pictures painted by Edgar Degas. Which was your favorite? Why? <input type="checkbox"/>	Spend 30 minutes doing the type of exercise of your choice. <input type="checkbox"/>	Hold your nose and taste a food you like. Does the food taste the same or different? <input type="checkbox"/>	Use paper clips to measure 5 items. For example how many paper clips long is a pencil? <input type="checkbox"/>	Tell your parent something you remember about Martin Luther King Jr. <input type="checkbox"/>
How much money is 2 dimes and 1 nickel? How many other ways can you make this amount? <input type="checkbox"/>	Write down your address and phone number. Memorize them. <input type="checkbox"/>	Study and memorize your 0's and 1's subtraction tables. <input type="checkbox"/>	Name 5 animals that live in Africa. <input type="checkbox"/>	Count to 100 in as many different ways as you can think of. <input type="checkbox"/>
Teach your parent 5 new words in sign language. <input type="checkbox"/>	Tell about something that is good for your heart. <input type="checkbox"/>	Try a recipe or food from Africa. Write about it. <input type="checkbox"/>	Name as many bones as you can remember. <input type="checkbox"/>	Listen to music by Prokofiev. What is your favorite musical selection. <input type="checkbox"/>

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February (First)

Parents, please ask your child to complete at least 15 total activities. Initial each box that your child finishes and return this form by Monday, March 2, 2015

<p>Make a tally chart for 5 different types of toys that you have.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Groundhogs do not eat meat. Make a list of foods that groundhogs eat.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Get ice cubes and a salt shaker. Pour salt on the ice cubes and observe what happens.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Put 10 objects on a table. Close your eyes and ask someone to take 1 object away. What's missing? Try it again with 20 objects.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>What is your favorite Eric Carle book? Make a craft project related to it.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>Look up "Pet shops" in the yellow pages. How many listings are there?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Study and memorize your 2's subtraction tables.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Do you have any allergies? What are allergies? Talk about it with your parent.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Who was the first president of the United States? What do you know about him?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>How many words can you make from the letters in <i>Valentine</i>?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>Draw 5 rectangles. Divide them into different fractional parts and shade them as you wish. Write the fraction for each.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Compare 2 types of fruit. Which fruit do you think will have the most seeds? With a parent, cut open each fruit and count the seeds.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Pablo Picasso painted in a style called cubism. He used basic geometric shapes to make the objects in his paintings. Use geometric shapes to draw your own picture.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Cut out different sized and different colored hearts. Make patterns with them.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Write a note to a family member telling them why you love them.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>Add up the numbers in your phone number. What is the sum?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Write each of your spelling words in a sentence.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Study your sight words.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Teach your parent 5 words in sign language.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Have you ever lost a tooth? Write about it.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>Listen to some music by Chopin. What was your favorite musical selection?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Make a list of your pet's favorite foods and games to play.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Use a ruler to measure 5 small objects in your home.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Study and memorize your 3's subtraction tables.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Predict what is cooking for dinner by smelling, but not looking. Draw a picture of the food. Were you correct?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>

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March (First)

Parents, please ask your child to complete at least 15 total activities. Initial each box that your child finishes and return this form by Monday, April 6, 2015

<p>Make a tally chart for the types of weather we have this month.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Listen to Carnival of the Animals by Saint Saens. Which song did you like the best? Why?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Make a list of at least 3 animals for each following classes of animals: mammals, reptiles, birds, amphibians, insects, and fish.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Make up your own activity and play it with your family.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Study and memorize your 4's subtraction tables.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>Name 5 animals that live in Asia.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Study and memorize your 5's subtraction tables.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Make wind chimes using pasta, stones, beads, foil, or other materials.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Use a thermometer and test the temperature of 3 different water samples.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Write a poem about the wind or rain.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>Try a new food or recipe from Asia. Write about it.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Find a machine at your house. How does this machine help you? What did people do before this machine was invented?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Taste a jellybean. Put one of the same flavor of jellybean in a glass of water for one minute. What does it look/ taste like? What happened to the water?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Make a costume using a recycled paper bag.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Show your parent how to sign at least 5 different animals.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>If you could go anywhere in the world where would you go? Write about it.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Write a story about why family is important.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Make butter by pouring whipping cream into a jar. Shake for a long time.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Name as many countries in Asia as you can.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Name 2 animals that migrate and 2 animals that hibernate each year.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>Study and memorize your 6's subtraction tables.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Teach your parents a game we play in class.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Claude Monet liked to paint pictures of things outside. These are called landscape paintings. Go outside and paint or draw a picture of something outdoors</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Tell your parents something you know about Hellen Keller.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Draw a map of your house. Include all of the rooms.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>

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April (First)

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Study and memorize your 7's subtraction tables. <input type="checkbox"/>	Play charades with your family. <input type="checkbox"/>	Make a paper bag puppet of your choice. <input type="checkbox"/>	Complete the patterns: 4, 6, 8, 10, ____ 15, 20, 25, ____ 30, 40, 50, ____ <input type="checkbox"/>	Look in a catalog. If you had \$100, what would you buy? <input type="checkbox"/>
Write your spelling words 3 times each. <input type="checkbox"/>	Study and memorize your 8's subtraction tables. <input type="checkbox"/>	Listen to music by Handel. What was your favorite musical selection? Why? <input type="checkbox"/>	Write about a rainforest. Draw a picture to go with it. <input type="checkbox"/>	Read a book by Leo Lionni. Draw a picture of a character from the book. <input type="checkbox"/>
Make a game that teaches a science or social studies concept. <input type="checkbox"/>	Name 5 animals that live in Europe. <input type="checkbox"/>	Discuss three ways you can help protect our planet. <input type="checkbox"/>	Try a European food or recipe. Write about it. <input type="checkbox"/>	Draw and discuss the lifecycle of a butterfly. <input type="checkbox"/>
Plant a tree or flowers at your house. <input type="checkbox"/>	Paint a picture of a butterfly to show symmetry. <input type="checkbox"/>	Study and memorize your 9's subtraction tables. <input type="checkbox"/>	Make a book of pictures of ocean animals. <input type="checkbox"/>	Exercise for at least 30 minutes today. <input type="checkbox"/>
What does extinct and endangered mean? Name 1 animal that is extinct and 1 that is endangered. <input type="checkbox"/>	Flip a coin 20 times. Estimate how many times you think it will land on heads and how many times it will land on tails. Try it out. How many times did it land on heads? How many times did it land on tails? <input type="checkbox"/>	Try to balance 5 objects on a length of string. List the objects and record the amount of time each object balanced. <input type="checkbox"/>	Henri Matisse used colored paper and scissors to make pictures with simple paper cutouts. Make a collage using simple paper shapes. Be creative! <input type="checkbox"/>	Make a time capsule with pictures or other objects from this school year. Put it in a safe place until next year when you can take it out and look at it again. <input type="checkbox"/>

