

## 103 Things to Do When you are Home

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**Suggestion: Cut it up and put in a cookie jar. Kids can pull out up to the three and choose: Check that you are comfortable with each one before you put it in the jar!**

1. Make a silly sign to put by each sink to encourage hand washing (here are 20+ free printable [handwashing posters](#) if you prefer)
2. Teach kids why it's important to wash hands with this [handwashing activity](#)
3. Bake Cookies, or cake, or bread (try our melt-in-your-mouth [sugar cookie recipe](#) that are so much fun to cut out into various shapes and frost)
4. Have a tea party. Get dressed up and bring a doll or bear and host a party with tea or apple juice and little snacks out of tea cups. This is sure to be a hit with young girls.
5. Celebrate [fun holidays](#) with silly crafts and activities
6. Build a Fort out of couch cushions, furniture and blankets, or this super cool [fort kit](#).
7. Make special popcorn (like oreo popcorn, carmel popcorn, etc. just search pinterest) and watch a movie together
8. Play in the backyard (as of now, experts say you are fine to be outside as long as you are 6 feet from your neighbor)
9. Draw on the driveway with [chalk](#)
10. Ride your bike up and down the street (use a helmet please, the ER is not the place you want to be now!)
11. Play [backyard games](#) like tic-tac-toe, jenga, giant yatzee, twister, connect four, croquet, badminton, volleyball, etc.
12. Kick a soccer ball back and forth or have a friendly family game
13. Play a family game of PIG with your driveway basketball hoop (I would NOT go to the local park or invite over neighborhood friends during the pandemic)
14. Just because the MLB delayed the start of baseball doesn't mean you can't play catch in the backyard
15. Fly a kite (if you have a large backyard or a big empty field near your house and local quarantine restrictions permit)
16. Disneyland, Disneyworld, and Disney Cruises may be closed.... but you can bring Disney magic into your day. Have a [Disney Family Fun Day](#) – ideas for themed food, games, crafts, etc. for a special day your kids will always remember
17. Work on a [1000+ piece puzzle](#) as a family
18. Color a picture with crayons, markers, gel pens, or colored pencils (remember Amazon still delivers and, unlike hand sanitizer and chlorox / lysol spray, craft supplies are in stock!) We have over 500 pages of [free coloring pages](#) !
19. Chances are you have some craft supplies like tp tubes, pipe cleaners, glue, construction paper, google eyes, tape, etc. around that you were meaning to make into a craft – no time like the present to make fun [crafts for kids!](#)
20. Deep clean your house as a family
21. Take time daily to pray for your friends / family / neighbors / community
22. Call Grandma & Grandpa, Aunts & Uncles, Cousins, and friends on facetime / zoom / skype / facebook
23. Make some silly playdough creations (you can grab [free playdough mats](#) here or try a new [homemade playdough recipe](#) here)
24. Write a letter to family and friends or a pen pal (send via the mail, wait to mail it until the crisis passes, or take a picture and send the letter via messenger or email)

25. Make a [letter craft](#) with your preschoolers – with one a day you will have crafts for almost a whole month!
26. Make a souvenir – I don't mean to trivialize what is going on at all, but with kids we also want to keep them calm and free from anxiety. Make a toilet paper themed craft to commemorate all the toilet paper craziness in the US.
27. Blow bubbles! Don't have any bubble solution on hand? Try our amazing [homemade bubbles recipe](#)
28. Use lego to build landmarks from around the world, compete to build the tallest or most creative building, etc.
29. Make an epic train track all around your living room
30. Try Amazing [Bubble Painting](#) for Kids
31. Whip up a batch of kid favorite SLIME! Here are our favorite [slime recipes](#).
32. Use this [puffy paint recipe](#) or these [puffy paint recipe ideas](#) to make a fun “3d” project
33. Help kids learn some geography by pinpointing different cities on these [free printable world map](#) as you watch the news and hear different countries. For older students, you can work on statistics, epidemiology, and math by graphing the growth of the pandemic.
34. Younger students can seize the opportunity to learn about countries around the world with a less intense activity – they can color these [Countries Around the World Coloring Pages](#) to explore famous landmarks and cultures.
35. Learn about the 50 US States with these super cute and fun-to-color 50 [State Coloring Pages](#)
36. Make a fun [hand art projects](#) or [alphabet handprint crafts](#)
37. Play a boardgame.... or two or three =) Here are some of our [favorite board games](#) to order on Amazon to try something new
38. Prepare a scavenger hunt around your house (give clues on post it notes, picture clues, color scavenger hunt, alphabet scavenger hunt, etc.)
39. Learn a new language online with rosetta stone or watch cartoons with the spanish language track
40. Have a very merry unbirthday party – watch Alice in Wonderland, practice counting with these birthday cake [playdough mats](#), make a birthday cake, etc.
41. Help toddlers, preschoolers, and kindergartners practice their alphabet letters and learn their ABCs with these fun [Alphabet Printables](#) and [ABC Games](#)
42. Prepare birthday cards for the next year so they are all ready to send out! You can get [free printable birthday cards](#) for kids to color!
43. Have a fancy dinner where you all get dressed up, use a tablecloth and candles, and put on music while you eat
44. Make some music. If your kids play instruments they can each work on a piece to perform. Or, make your own [musical instruments](#) to make your own music.
45. Put on a circus at home where everyone works on an act. Have mom or dad be the ring leader and announce each act to thunderous applause from your whole family. Just look for circus music in amazon music for your performance and have children see what is in a circus by watching Dumbo, The Greatest Showman, or google Ringling Brothers Circus on you tube to learn what acts are in a circus.
46. Play with your food with these [Animal Cookie Printables](#) to practice counting to 10 or a montessori [animal matching](#) activity
47. Have a fashion show where you make a runway out of towels, put on some music, and mom or dad can announce each fashion piece as your girls and boys walk down the runway in styles they create from their closets, mom and dad's closet, or their dress up clothes. You can take pictures using a cell phone or camera and post them on social media if you like

48. Travel around the world by preparing meals from different countries by googling recipes online. Have people wear clothes inspired by that country, play typical music, and even make decorations that are common in that country.
49. Have your children write and illustrate a story you can actually publish into a book with services like [lulu](#). Or you can write the story together as a family
50. Subscribe to one of the [Kiwi Crate](#) lines for activities delivered to your door with all the supplies you need! Our favorites are the Atlas Crafts around the world, Doodle crate with different crafts, Eureka crafts with epic projects for kids 14+ (pictured above), and Koala crafts with several projects a month for little tykes, [Subscribe now](#) and save \$3.14 a month with code **PIDAY**
51. Have a backyard campfire – roast marshmallows, sing songs, tell stories, and play [campfire games](#).
52. Look through old family photobooks, scrapbooks, and pictures and tell your kids stories about your family history
53. Work on organizing your family pictures into photobooks using services like [shutterfly](#)
54. Plan your next family vacation – date TBD. Talk to your kids about where they would want to go, google what you should see in the state or country. Plan your [disney vacation](#) with our tips here!
55. Did you know you can go on every ride at Disney World watching videos on youtube? Print off a park map and sit around the computer screen. Then google each ride on you tube and you can take a virtual vacation! You can even make your own mickey [pretzels](#) as a snack – not disney snack credits required!
56. Teach your dog a new trick – shake hands, roll over, jump through a hoop, etc. Lots of ideas online
57. Practice math or letters with these free printable snack mats: [Goldfish Counting](#), Fruit Loop / Skittle / M & M [Alphabet Mats](#), Sorting [Colors Mats](#), Ten Frame [Snack Mats](#)
58. Make an obstacle course for kids out of furniture, crepe paper, string. Here is one we made with crepe paper for a bug unit to give you an idea!
59. Build your own [DIY simple machines](#) from things you have laying around the house to sneak in some fun learning
60. Have a spa day with your girls – do [face masks](#), [manicures / pedicures](#), soak feet in a foot bath, take a bath, put cucumbers on your face, give massages, makeovers, etc.
61. Play your favorite video game or [buy a new game](#) to make the time extra fun!
62. Pretend you have your own zoo and put animal figures or duplo figures arranged to make a zoo. Or have kids join in and pretend they are animals with these free [printable animal masks](#). Older students may want to try creating their own zoo on [Zoo Tycoon](#).
63. Have a family reading competition! Here are some great [books lists for kids](#) and [printable book logs / charts](#)
64. Work on learning to count coins and tell American money apart with these [coin recognition](#) worksheets
65. Play store by making or printing your own pretend money, put a price on everything in their play kitchen, and let kids go shopping and practice adding and subtracting money!
66. Make your own pizza night – make a yeast crust and let people pick their own toppings
67. Star Wars Marathon – watch all the star wars movies in a row from episode 1-9. Or any other series you like such as Toy Story 1-4 or Frozen 1 & 2, etc.
68. Sneak in some American history and let kids binge [watch Liberty Kids](#) to learn about the revolutionary war in a very engaging, historically accurate cartoon for kids
69. Follow our simple instructions for [how to make a lava lamp](#) – this will amaze kids!

70. Become super heroes! Have everyone create their own super hero name, power, costume. You can roll play some events, watch incredible 1 & 2, or older kids can watch [marvel super hero movies](#)
71. Build your own Sundaes – have lots of fun toppings for kids to make their own ice cream creations. Or, make your own [ice cream in a bag](#) with this hands-on recipe for active kids.
72. Buy a [new lego set](#) that the whole family will have fun building together
73. Take a bubble bath, play with toys in the bath, or have a themed bath
74. Once the sun goes down, turn off all the lights, hand out flashlights and play flashlight tag
75. Have an EPIC game of hide and seek with your family throughout your house
76. Make paper airplanes and have a competition to see whose goes the farthest
77. Try guided art projects – by googling them on YouTube (draw animals, people, famous places etc)
78. Dive into a period of history with one of [history units for kids](#)
79. Make an [epic marble run](#) out of the toy or [DIY marble run](#)
80. Create beautiful origami creations (just google it or buy an [origami book](#))
81. Have a fun dance party with favorite music
82. Get on pajamas and have a sleepover all together
83. Create a [human sundial](#) on your driveway to show kids how time passes (or build a Lego version)
84. Play charades as a family for lots of fun and giggles. You can create your own or get this [Charades for Kids](#) we use all the time.
85. Play an epic girls versus boys [Pictionary game](#) using dry erase boards or scratch paper!
86. Create your own code or [cipher](#) and write each other hidden messages. You can do this activity on its own or as part of a spy themed day
87. Work on memorizing a new passage of scripture together as a family (printable [Bible verse cards](#))
88. Create a road out of chalk on your driveway for little tykes vehicles or bikes to drive through
89. Teach kids to sew or knit
90. Make an Amazing [Tinfoil Art Project!](#)
91. Use kid-favorite [Bingo Markers](#) with our free [Do a Dot Printables](#) to practice a variety of skills
92. Play BINGO (here are our free [bingo printables](#)) or memory game
93. Make an indoor volleyball game by attaching plates to paint stirrers with staple or tape and using the DIY paddles to keep a balloon in the air.
94. Make [Rock Candy](#)
95. Learn to make your own [balloon animals](#)
96. Try one of these 100+ amazing [Edible Science Experiments](#) for Kids
97. Have an epic [Nerf War](#) or [Laster Tag](#) game. Form teams and see who comes out on top!
98. See who can build the tallest tower or longest bridge out of marshmallows and dry spaghetti
99. Host your own family Olympics! Try these [ideas](#) or try your favorite events.
100. [Minute to Win It Party](#) – so many fun, silly activities that are sure to make kids giggle
101. Make a GIANT [domino run](#) around your home (you may want to pick up a couple extra games for this one!)
102. Help kids focus on all we have to be grateful for even during this unusual and scary time by creating a thankful box. Every day have kids share something they are thankful for, write it on a paper, and put it in the box.
103. Get Healthy with a friendly physical fitness competition! See who can do the most sit ups in a minute, push-ups, jumping jacks, planks, etc. With our kids we also do wheelbarrow races and handstands against the walls.