

# 2nd Grade Learning Activities

Dear Students, Parents, and Families:

During this unexpected break in our school year, your child can still engage in learning activities each day. This packet provides different activities so your child can continue to apply the skills and knowledge that they have been working on throughout the year.

Your child has the challenge to do the following daily activities:

**READING:**

- Read for 30 minutes.
- Respond to one reading prompt by discussing it with someone or by writing about it in your notebook.

**MATH:**

- Complete one math activity from the attached list.

**OTHER:** (Literacy, STEM, Social Studies, Health & Wellness, Art & Music)

- Complete one or more optional activity from the attached list.

Each day write the date in the activity log and check off the items as they are completed. Students should bring the activity log and their notebook back to school to share with their teacher when school is back in session.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out to your child's teachers through email.

**For your convenience, all of the information included in this packet is also available on the website under the "Families" tab.**

Your continued partnership is always appreciated!



# READING

Please read for 30 minutes each day. This can be done at one time or divided into two sessions of 15 minutes each. You may choose to read a book that you have with you or use an online book using a resource below. Respond to one prompt below by discussing it with someone or by writing about it in your notebook. Please remember to check off your reading and your response in the activity log.

## Fiction Response Prompts

- Tell or write about your favorite part of the story.
- Tell or write about a character in the story.
- Tell or write about the setting in the story.
- Tell or write about the problem in the story.
- Tell or write about the solution in the story.
- Who is the main character?
- Tell or write what happened at the beginning.
- Tell or write what happened at the end.
- Tell or write one major event from the story.
- Tell or write one key detail from the story.
- How do you know this story is fiction?
- What do you think could happen next?
- Tell or write about a connection you have to this story.
- What do you still wonder about this story?
- Why did the author choose this title?

## Nonfiction Response Prompts

- Tell or write about your favorite part of the text.
- Tell or write the main topic of the text.
- Tell or write one detail the author shared about the main topic.
- Tell or write two details the author shared about the main topic.
- Tell or write something you learned.
- How do you know this text is nonfiction?
- Tell or write about a text to self connection.
- Tell or write about a text to text connection.
- What do you still wonder about this topic?
- Why did the author choose this title?

## Online Book Resources

- Scholastic Learn at Home--[www.scholastic.com/learnathome](http://www.scholastic.com/learnathome) Daily learning activities on one topic include several books to read, a related video, and a writing activity.
  - **User:** Learning20 **Password:** Clifford
- Book Flix--<http://teacher.scholastic.com/products/bookflix/#/> (click login in top right) Fiction and nonfiction books that can be read or read aloud.
  - **User:** Learning20 **Password:** Clifford
- True Flix--<https://sdm-tfx.digital.scholastic.com/?authCtx=U.600107734> Nonfiction books on a large variety of topics to be read or read aloud.
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# MATH

Complete at least one math activity daily and record it in your notebook. You may choose an activity from the list below. Please remember to check off your math in the activity log.

## Math Activities

- **Addition War**  
Each player draws 2 cards and finds the sum. Each player shares their strategy. Player with the larger sum gets the cards. If the sums are equal...it is WAR!
- **Board or Card Game**  
Invite someone in your house to play a board or card game.
- **Dice to 5**  
Roll 3 dice. Choose which dice to add/subtract to get as close to a total of 5 as you can. Player closest to 5 gets a point. First player to 10 wins.
- **Sort and identify coins**  
Use skip counting to count the coins in your collection
- **Create a bar graph**  
Create a bar graph in your notebook to show the favorite colors of everyone in your family. Then write three facts about your graph.
- **How much money?**  
How much money do I have if I have: 1 quarter, 2 dimes, and 1 nickel? Write the amount in your notebook and show the same value with other coins.
- **Cook Together**  
Practice measuring by cooking a recipe together with a family member about your graph.
- **Puzzles**  
Do a puzzle and use your math skills by rotating and translating shapes and remaining focused in solving them
- **Polygon Picture**  
Draw a picture in your notebook using only triangles, quadrilaterals, pentagons, and hexagons.

## Websites to talk about Math

- **Math Before Bedtime**  
Awesome resource with images, patterns, and puzzles that you can discuss.  
<http://mathbeforebed.com>
- **Which One Doesn't Belong:**  
Discuss which of the 4 squares does NOT belong and why. There is no one right answer but good for reasonable explanations.  
<http://wodb.ca>
- **Same, but Different:**  
Discuss how are the 2 images the same, and how are they different?  
<http://www.samebutdifferentmath.com>
- **Khan Academy:**  
Great resources to review and practice any math concepts  
<http://www.khanacademy.org>

## Websites for FREE Math Games

- **Greg Tang Math: Online Games**  
("Games" tab) and printable activities ("Resources" tabs), as well as word problem generators  
<http://gregtangmath.com>
- **Hooda Math**  
Logic and reasoning  
<http://hoodamath.com>
- **Math Playground:**  
Various games to practice math  
<http://www.mathplayground.com>
- **Fun Brain:**  
Go into Math Zone for online games and activities  
<http://www.funbrain.com/math-zone>
- **ABCYa**  
Games for students to practice math  
<https://www.abcya.com>
- **Prodigy**  
Games for students to practice math  
<https://www.prodigygame.com>

# 2nd Grade Other Activities Menu

**Directions:** Select **one or more activities** to complete each day we are closed. Share or review your choices with an adult. Complete activities from a variety of content categories. Submit your work to your teacher when you return to school.



Literacy



S.T.E.M



Social Studies



Art & Music



Health & Wellness

<p>Be a great friend by making a card for a friend. Write at least three sentences to tell why they are a great friend.</p>	<p>Build with Legos, blocks, or anything you have on hand.</p>	<p>Help someone with a chore around the house.</p>	<p>Follow along with a "How to Draw" video found on the Art Hub for kids YouTube page OR Sing along to your favorite song!</p>	<p>With help from an adult, make a healthy snack to enjoy. Talk about what makes it a healthy choice.</p>
<p>Write directions for how to make a sandwich. Use the words "first, next, then, last."</p>	<p>Using at least 3 different materials around the house, design a building. In your notebook, write about made it difficult to build it? (Take a picture to share)</p>	<p>Create a kindness calendar with a week's worth of kindness activities.</p>	<p>Do a favorite craft. Consider creating something to give as a gift to someone</p>	<p>Create a dance to a favorite song. Incorporate 4 different exercises (jumping jacks, toe touches, sit ups, etc.)</p>
<p>In your opinion, what is the best thing you get to do while school is out? Write about your opinion using reasons and examples.</p>	<p>Learn with Mystery Science:free mini-activities and full lessons by Grade level <a href="https://mysteryscience.com/school-closure-planning">https://mysteryscience.com/school-closure-planning</a></p>	<p>Draw a map of your house then write directions on how to get from your room to your kitchen.</p>	<p>Draw your teacher wearing a sneaky disguise OR Write a rhythm and have someone else clap it..</p>	<p>Play hide and seek with your family.</p>
<p>Explore ABC Mouse with free access. <a href="http://www.abcmouse.com/redeem">http://www.abcmouse.com/redeem</a> Code: SCHOOL8433</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Are unicorns real?</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">How is glass made?</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Why is the ocean salty?</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">How are toys invented?</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">How do germs get inside your body?</a></li> </ul>	<p>Draw a picture of an animal that lives outside. Write 3 sentences about what he likes to "consume" or eat.</p>	<p>Go outside and create an image from found objects like grass, leaves and sticks.</p>	<p>Run in place for 30 seconds in every room in your house.</p>
<p>What are you an expert in? Write a book telling all about that topic to teach someone else.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">How does hand sanitizer kill germs?</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Could you build a house out of paper?</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">How many different kinds of animals are there?</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Why do frogs say "ribbit"?</a></li> </ul>	<p>Write a class book about the community of West Salem. Share it when you come back to school</p>	<p>Create a comic strip about a kid with a secret super power OR Dance to your favorite song!</p>	<p>Help your family cook a healthy meal together. When you are done, clean up the dishes.</p>
<p>Listen to a book read aloud online from <a href="https://www.indypl.org/blog/for-parents/free-video-read-alouds">https://www.indypl.org/blog/for-parents/free-video-read-alouds</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Why is there sand at the beach?</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">If you floated down a river, where would you end up?</a></li> </ul>	<p>Sponsors will donate rice to the World Food Programme while you learn vocabulary and other skills at <a href="http://freerice.com">http://freerice.com</a></p>	<p>Find a variety of items to use as drums. Create your own song or play along with a song.</p>	<p>Family Challenge: See who can do the most sit-ups in your family!</p>