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SATURDAY

May 2022

Children's Activity Calendar

Holiday
Celebration
Birthday

SUNDAY

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School Principals' Day: Invite a school principal to hang out with the kids and watch [The Principal from the Black Lagoon](#).

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Mother's Day: Ask kids to make a list of literary moms and vote on their favorite.

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Peace Officers Memorial Day: Watch [Officer Buckle and Gloria](#) by Peggy Rathman to help pay tribute to law enforcement officers who have sacrificed in the line of duty.

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Solitaire Day: Teach kids how to play solitaire using a deck of cards or an [online platform](#).

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Indianapolis 500: To celebrate the greatest spectacle of racing, [design a track](#) and host your own toy car race.

MONDAY

2

Children's Book Week: Start this memorable week off by reading [How to Teach a Slug to Read](#) by Susan Pearson.

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Lost Sock Memorial Day: What can kids do with only one sock? Help them turn it into their favorite [book character puppet](#).

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Drawing Day: Children's illustrators took to YouTube during the pandemic to share their drawing secrets. Ask kids to grab some paper and [draw along](#).

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World Turtle Day: Explore [turtle facts for kids](#) to better understand these resilient creatures and how they provide ecological balance to our planet.

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Memorial Day: Read [Twenty-One Steps](#) by Jeff Gottesfeld and share the authors' [inspiration for the book](#).

TUESDAY

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Teacher Appreciation Week: Create a display of iconic books featuring teachers like Mr. Falker, Mr. Terupt, and Miss Brooks.

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Happy Book Birthday to [Strong](#) by Rob Kearney and Eric Rosswood.

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Grace Lin's Birthday: Celebrate this award-winning author-illustrator's birthday by [exploring activities and videos](#) on her website.

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Escargot Day: Read the [Escargot](#) books by Dashka Slater and try this [Peek-A-Book Snail Craft](#) by Arty Crafty Kids.

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Happy Book Birthday to [A Family Looks Like Love](#) by Kaitlyn Wells.

WEDNESDAY

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Star Wars Day: Celebrate everyone's favorite galaxy far, far away with this [May the 4th Be With You Choice Board](#) by Shannon McClintock Miller.

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School Nurse Day: Use the [National School Nurse Association Toolkit](#) to help kids spread their appreciation for their school nurse's hard work during the pandemic.

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International Museum Day: Take kids through a [virtual tour](#) of some of the world's most amazing museums. Read [A Funny Thing Happened at the Museum](#) by Davide Calli and Benjamin Chaud.

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Ralph Waldo Emerson's Birthday: Read [A Home for Mr. Emerson](#) by Barbara Kerley to get to know this American icon.

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Paper Airplane Day: Turn your space into a hangar. Ask kids to follow the instructions for Engineering Emily's [Classic Dart Paper Airplane](#).

THURSDAY

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Cinco de Mayo: Today recognizes the Mexican army's victory in the Battle of Puebla. Celebrate this important day by reading [One is a Pinata](#) by Roseanne Greenfield Thong.

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Limerick Day: Encourage kids to have fun writing silly limericks with some tips and tricks from [KidZone Poetry](#).

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Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month: [Find books](#) to share with kids about the contributions and influence of Asian Americans and Pacific Islander Americans.

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Sunscreen Day: How does sunscreen keep kids safe? Try this simple science experiment from [Playdough to Plato](#) to help them get ready for summer.

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World Hunger Day: Educate kids about the hunger crisis around the globe using resources from [KidLitTV](#).

FRIDAY

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Sunday is Holocaust Remembrance Day: Share [The Tree in the Courtyard](#) by Jeff Gottesfeld.

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A Family Looks Like Love by Nadine...
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“Books erase bias, they make the uncommon everyday, and the mundane exotic. A book makes all cultures universal.” — Grace Lin