

Homework Calendars



Grade Two
2014-2015

To the Teacher - Suggestions for use:

Send home a copy of the cover letter with the first calendar.

Photocopy the double-sided page for the month and send one home with each student. This calendar gives a small homework task to do, plus giving the parent tips and reminders of ways to help the child. These tasks reinforce the lessons without the teacher having to plan daily homework.

The blank monthly calendar can be sent home at the same time, with special days and events marked.

To encourage use, small prizes or treats may be given to students who return the sheet at the end of the month with stars marking the days the homework was completed. This really encourages participation!

The level at the top has been removed as teachers may want to send an easier or more difficult calendar home with a child. There is a shape in the upper left-hand corner of each set for your convenience.



To the Teacher - more suggestions

Each day, spend two minutes talking about the homework from the previous day. Perhaps you can convince more children to do it and that it can be fun!

Make a chart at school with the names and the school days in the month. If they did the homework and/or the reading they can colour in the appropriate squares on the chart. This may also promote students to do the homework.

At the end of the month, make a big fuss over the calendars that come back and give a prize to those who have had a good month. This could be an award, a large sticker, a book prize or a cheer from the class.

When you meet parents, talk about the ways in which the homework is valuable - especially the reading that the student does at home.



Homework Calendars

Your child will be given the Homework Calendar on the first school day of each month. There is a little 'job' to be done each day that should take ten to fifteen minutes or less, plus the daily reading.

It is really important that your child reads at home each day. Just as they improve in sports and music with lots of practice - to become a good reader takes lots of practice, too.

Another important thing that you can do is to read to him/her each day. Children who have had books read to them have a huge advantage in school.

The daily homework items on the calendar are meant to be suggestions. If your child finds the daily work too difficult to do on his/her own, have fun doing it together.

If your child finds today's work too easy, add to the homework to make it more challenging.


Make homework time a happy time! If it is something the child enjoys, the benefits are much greater.





September 2014

Name _____

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 It's September! Print today's date.	2 Print the alphabet, both upper and lower case letters, and the numbers to 20.	3 Tell someone a word that begins with every letter of the alphabet (except x).	4 What would you like to do this year? Make a list of things you want to do.	5 How many equations can you make that equal 6? (e.g. $2 + 4 = 6$ $9 - 3 = 6$)	6 Cut words out of a newspaper to make a short story.
7 Go on a nature walk. Make a collection of objects that you have found.	8 How many equations can you make that equal 7? (e.g. $4 + 3 = 7$ $9 - 2 = 7$)	9 Print the numbers to 100. Print them in rows - each row beginning with a 10 number.	10 Write a letter to someone and tell about your new year of school.	11 Draw a picture of something you like to do with your family. Put a title on your picture.	12 Count to 100 by 1's, 2's, 5's and 10's. Now do them backwards!	13 How many times can you bounce a ball?
14 How many equations can you make that equal 8? (e.g. $5 + 3 = 8$ $10 - 2 = 8$)	15 Spell the names of family members and friends, and favourite places, games and toys.	16 Make a list of things that are round.	17 Draw a wonderful autumn picture. Print a story about your picture.	18 Count to 100 by 1's, 2's, 5's and 10's. Now do them backwards!	19 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	20 Go for a run. Ask an adult to go with you.
21 How many times can you skip? I can skip _____ times.	22 How many equations can you make that equal 9? (e.g. $6 + 3 = 9$ $12 - 3 = 9$)	23 Get some coins. Can you count them by 5s, 10s and 25s?	24 How many addition equations can you make that equal 10? (e.g. $6 + 4 = 10$ $2 + 5 + 3 = 10$)	25 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	26 Make a list of subtraction equations from 10. e.g. $10 - 5 = 5$ Practice them.	27 Make a list of things animals do to get ready for winter.
28 Collect autumn leaves. Make a leaf rubbing. Make rubbings of coins, too!	29 Make a list of things that change in the fall.	30 Spell the names of family members and friends, and favourite places, games and toys.	Return this paper to school. Count the stars!		When you print sentences, use capitals and periods!	Every day - read to someone in your family.

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September Tips for Parents:

Continue to read aloud to your child. Even when children can read by themselves, it is important for them to hear a more fluent reader. Read more difficult books with fewer pictures. Hearing books read aloud and imagining the story is very helpful when children begin to read books themselves. Listening to books increases the child's vocabulary, too!

Have your child read out loud to you. If he/she makes mistakes or comes to words that are not known, just say the correct word so the reading can continue. If there are too many words that the child does not know - the book is too difficult and the child may become frustrated. We want this time to be fun.

Visit your public library regularly! Most libraries have a good selection of children's books.

Help your child to learn the spelling of words that will be often used in writing - the names of family members and friends, the names of familiar places, favourite games and toys.

When printing stories at home, use lined paper. Interlined paper is best (with a dotted line between the solid lines). You can purchase this paper, or print pages from the website below. Remember to stress beginning at the top of each letter.

Students are expected to write complete sentences, using a capital letter at the beginning and punctuation at the end of each sentence. Encourage your child to use interesting words when writing at home.

The website below has free materials that will be useful. There are reading vocabulary cards and lists, math sheets with addition and subtraction and lots more. From the home page, go to the 'Parents' link.

Playing card games and board games is a great way to improve your child's math skills, and they also teach sharing and taking turns. Pick games with simple rules. Chutes and Ladders is fun to play, and BINGO is always popular. These games are strictly chance, so the child will have as many winning games as the other participants.

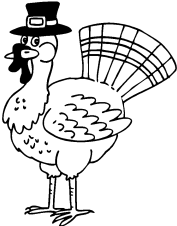
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October 2014

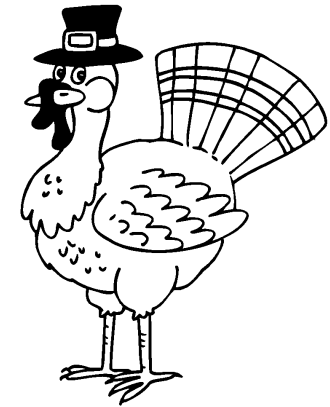
Name _____

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Every day - read by yourself or to someone in your family.	When you print sentences, use capitals and periods!		1 What special days are in October? Write today's date.	2 Print the numbers from 100 to 200.	3 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	4 Think of an object in your house for each letter of the alphabet (except x).
5 Play a board game with someone in your family.	6 How many equations can you make that equal 6? (e.g. $2 + 4 = 6$ $9 - 3 = 6$)	7 Make a list of things that are square.	8 How many equations can you make that equal 7? (e.g. $4 + 3 = 7$ $9 - 2 = 7$)	9 Write a story about your weekend. I wrote _____ words.	10 Count to 100 by 1's, 2's, 5's and 10's. Can you do it backwards?	11 How many times can you bounce a ball?
12 Use your imagination! Make a turkey out of objects you can find.	13 Thanksgiving Day! Help set the table for Thanksgiving dinner.	14 How many equations can you make that equal 8? (e.g. $5 + 3 = 8$ $10 - 2 = 8$)	15 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	16 Spell the names of family members and friends, and favourite places, games and toys.	17 Print the numbers from 200 to 300.	18 Go for a run. Ask an adult to go with you.
19 How many times can you skip? I can skip _____ times.	20 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	21 Draw a picture of a Halloween costume that you would like to have.	22 Make a list of all the things that you do well.	23 How many equations can you make that equal 9? (e.g. $6 + 3 = 9$ $10 - 1 = 9$)	24 Make a list of rectangular things. How many can you see from where you are?	25 Count to 100 by 1's, 2's, 5's and 10's. Can you do it backwards?
26 How many + equations can you make that equal 10? (e.g. $6 + 4 = 10$ $2 + 5 + 3 = 10$)	27 Print a spooky Halloween story!	28 What is your favourite Halloween book? Tell someone the story.	29 Make a list of subtraction equations from 10. e.g. $10 - 5 = 5$ Practice them.	30 Draw a wonderful Halloween picture. Print a story about your picture.	31 Happy Halloween! Return this paper to school. Count the stars!	

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October Tips for Parents:

Read aloud each day. You are modelling good reading and increasing the listening and speaking vocabulary of your child. Reading aloud is fun, too! Make it a bedtime routine. Children who have been read to daily will have better comprehension skills when they read for themselves. Read the books by Roald Dahl - *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, *Fantastic Mr. Fox* and *The BFG* are favourites.



Have your child read out loud to you. Choose books that are quite easy for your child to read, with only a few words that he/she does not know. You can vary this time by having your child read one page and you read the next, or even reading at the same time. You can read a page aloud and then your child can re-read the same page. These techniques will help to encourage reading fluency.

Here's a game to play when you are driving or walking to school or doing household chores. Pick a category of items and take turns adding to a list: things that are blue, things that run, things that shine, animals with fur - or words that begin with a certain letter or sound, rhyming words - or plus or minus equations with a certain answer. The possibilities are endless! This is called 'brainstorming' and is good brain exercise.

Students at this level are expected to write complete sentences, using a capital letter at the beginning and punctuation at the end of each sentence. Encourage your child to use interesting words when writing at home.

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Playing card games and board games is a great way to improve your child's math skills, and they teach sharing and taking turns. Play Addition War! Take the face cards out of the deck and divide the deck among the players. Each player has a pile of cards face down, and at a signal, each player turns over two cards. The two cards are added together and each player can shout out his/her total, and the player with the highest total takes all the cards in play and puts them at the bottom of his/her pile. In a tie, the tied players can turn another two cards. The person with the most cards at the end of the game wins.

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November 2014

Name _____

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Every day - read by yourself or to someone in your family.	When you print sentences, use capitals and periods!			1 What special days are in November? Write today's date.
2 Play a board game with someone in your family.	3 Tell someone the favourite story that your teacher read to you. Why do you like it?	4 Draw a map of your school grounds. Tell someone about your drawing.	5 How many equations can you make that equal 6? (e.g. $2 + 4 = 6$ $9 - 3 = 6$)	6 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	7 Print the numbers from 300 to 400.	8 Practice spelling some words that you find difficult.
9 How many times can you skip? I can skip _____ times.	10 How many equations can you make that equal 7? (e.g. $4 + 3 = 7$ $9 - 2 = 7$)	11 Remembrance Day. Explain what it means to someone in your family.	12 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	13 What is your favourite song? Sing it to someone.	14 How many equations can you make that equal 8? (e.g. $5 + 3 = 8$ $10 - 2 = 8$)	15 How many times can you bounce a ball?
16 Play a board game with someone in your family.	17 Get a handful of coins. Count how much money you have.	18 Draw a wonderful picture of your favourite toy. Print a story about your picture.	19 Get a handful of coins. Count how much money you have. What is an easy way to count?	20 Draw a map showing your house and the route you go to school.	21 Print the numbers from 400 to 500.	22 How many equations can you make that equal 9? (e.g. $6 + 3 = 9$ $10 - 1 = 9$)
23 Make a list of items that are cubes.	24 How many + equations can you make that equal 10? (e.g. $6 + 4 = 10$ $2 + 5 + 3 = 10$)	25 Practice spelling some words that you find difficult.	26 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	27 Get a handful of coins. Count how much money you have.	28 Make a list of subtraction equations from 10. e.g. $10 - 5 = 5$ Practice them.	29 Make a list of triangular things. Can you think of words that begin with 'tri'?
30 Play a card game with someone.						

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November Tips for Parents:

Homework is more valuable if an adult can happily work with the child, talking about the task.

Read aloud each day. You are modelling good reading and increasing the listening and speaking vocabulary of your child. Reading aloud is fun, too! Make it a bedtime routine. Children who have been read to daily will have better comprehension skills when they read for themselves. This month read *Sideways Stories from Wayside School* and the rest of that series by Louis Sachar. Another favourite is *The Secret World of Og* by Pierre Burton.



Have your child read out loud to you. You can vary this time by having your child read one page and you read the next, or even reading at the same time. You can read a page aloud and then your child can re-read the same page. These techniques will help to encourage reading fluency. The teacher can suggest books at the child's independent reading level.

One of the homework tasks is counting coins. Separate the quarters, dimes and nickels into groups. Add the quarters first counting by 25s, then add on the dimes and finally the nickels. When you are at a store, talk about the prices of items and how the price is written.

Students at this level are expected to write complete sentences, using a capital letter at the beginning and punctuation at the end of each sentence. Encourage your child to use interesting words!

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Playing card games and board games is a great way to improve your child's math skills, and they also teach sharing, taking turns and sportsmanship. Play Subtraction War! Take the face cards out of the deck and divide the deck among the players. Each player has a pile of cards face down, and at a signal, each player turns over two cards. The two cards are subtracted from one another, and the player with the lowest answer takes all the cards in play and puts them at the bottom of his/her pile. In a tie, the tied players can turn another two cards. The person with the most cards at the end of the game wins.

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December 2014

Name _____

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Print today's date two ways. Talk about the important days in this month.	2 Make a list of Christmas words. Get someone to help you with spelling.	3 How many equations can you make that equal 6? (e.g. $2 + 4 = 6$ $9 - 3 = 6$)	4 Make a map of your bedroom. Label the furniture and other things.	5 Learn to spell 10 Christmas words.	6 How many times can you bounce a ball?
7 How many times can you skip? I can skip _____ times.	8 Print the numbers from 500 to 600.	9 Write a story with at least 25 words. What is the most interesting word in the story?	10 Practice spelling some Christmas words that you find difficult.	11 Write a letter to Santa. You can mail it to him at the North Pole, Nuna-vut, HOH OHO	12 Get a handful of coins. Count how much money you have.	13 How many equations can you make that equal 7? (e.g. $4 + 3 = 7$ $9 - 2 = 7$)
14 Play a board game with someone in your family.	15 Write a story about Santa's workshop and a lazy elf.	16 Practice spelling some words that you find difficult.	17 Make a list of things that are cylinders.	18 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	19 How many equations can you make that equal 8? (e.g. $5 + 3 = 8$ $10 - 2 = 8$)	20 Write a story about the North Pole. Read it to someone.
21 Ask older members of your family about Christmas when they were children.	22 Draw a wonderful Christmas picture. Print a story about your picture.	23 Sing a Christmas song to someone. Make a card for someone special.	24 It is Christmas Eve! Play a board game with someone in your family.	25 Merry Christmas! Ask what you can do to help others.	26 Make a list of things that are oval in shape.	27 How many equations can you make that equal 9? (e.g. $6 + 3 = 9$ $10 - 1 = 9$)
28 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	29 Make a list of subtraction equations from 10. e.g. $10 - 5 = 5$ Practice them.	30 Print the numbers from 600 to 700.	31 Today is New Year's Eve! Are you going to make any resolutions?		When you print sentences, use capitals and periods!	Every day - read by yourself or to someone in your family.

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December Tips for Parents:

Read aloud each day. You are modelling good reading and increasing the listening and speaking vocabulary of your child. Reading aloud is fun, too! Make it a bedtime routine. Children who have been read to daily will have better comprehension skills when they read for themselves. This month read favourite Christmas books - *The Polar Express* by Chris Van Allsburg and *How the Grinch Stole Christmas* by Dr. Seuss. Read with lots of expression.



Listen to your child read every day. A child who reads at home 5 days a week for 15 minutes each day will have read 300 minutes by the end of the month! Without this, your child will be 300 minutes of reading behind the children who do read each day. It makes a very big difference to the child's progress! Ask the teacher for suggestions of suitable reading material at your child's level. Make this time fun!

One of the homework tasks is counting coins. Separate the quarters, dimes, nickels and pennies into groups. Add the quarters first counting by 25s, then the dimes, then the nickels and finally the pennies (if you still have any). When you are at a store, talk about the prices of items and how the price is written.

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Students at this level are expected to write complete sentences, using a capital letter at the beginning and punctuation at the end of each sentence. Encourage your child to use interesting words and longer sentences.

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Play checkers, Chinese checkers or even chess - these are wonderful for increasing thinking skills. Card and board games are great for improving math skills. Your child will always remember this family time!

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January 2015

Name _____

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	When you print sentences, use capitals and periods!	Every day - read by yourself or to someone in your family.		1 Happy New Year! What do you think will happen in 2015? Will you make any resolutions?	2 Make a list of all the birthdays in your family. Which month has the most?	3 How many + equations can you make that equal 10? (e.g. $6 + 4 = 10$ $2 + 5 + 3 = 10$)
4 Play a board game with someone in your family.	5 Make a list of subtraction equations from 10. e.g. $10 - 5 = 5$ Practice them.	6 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	7 Draw a thermometer. Mark today's high and low temperature on it.	8 Practice telling time. Get someone to show you different times on the clock.	9 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 11?	10 Draw a wonderful winter picture. Print a story about your picture.
11 How many times can you skip? I can skip _____ times.	12 Make a list of things that are cold.	13 Print the numbers from 700 to 800.	14 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 12?	15 Cut words out of a newspaper to make a short story.	16 Count by 3's to 30. How quickly can you write it down?	17 Do aerobics for 15 minutes! Get someone in your family to help you and do it with you.
18 Play a board game with someone in your family.	19 Get a handful of coins. Count how much money you have.	20 Write a story about the winter sports that you like. I wrote _____ words.	21 Practice spelling some words that you find difficult. Spell winter words, too!	22 Recite a poem to someone. Print the poem.	23 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 13?	24 Print the numbers from 800 to 900.
25 How many times can you bounce a ball?	26 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	27 Count by 3's to 30. How quickly can you write it down?	28 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 14?	29 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	30 Practice spelling some words that you find difficult.	31 Return this paper to school. Count the stars!

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January Tips for Parents:

Homework is more valuable if an adult can happily work with the child, talking about the task.

Read aloud each day. This continues to give your child an educational advantage. Read the *Henry and Mudge* series by Cynthia Ryland and the *Junie B. Jones* series by Barbara Park - reading these may encourage your child to read chapter books him/herself. Read the more difficult Dr. Seuss books - *The 500 Hats of Bartholomew Cubbins*, *Bartholomew and the Oobleck*, and *The King's Stilts*.



Listen to your child read every day. Read aloud at least 10 minutes, and extend this to 15 or 20 minutes by having your child read to him/herself. Take turns reading with your child - this makes reading more fun. Talk about the stories, and discuss what might happen next. Go to the public library to find new books to read.

Practice the addition and subtraction facts to 18 often. If your child can answer these quickly it is a great help when the concepts become more difficult. There are flash cards that you can print from the website below.

Make sure your child knows his/her full name, the parents' names, the street address and city/town, all the family phone numbers, and his/her birthday and year of birth.

When the student is doing a writing assignment for homework, encourage the use of interesting words and ideas. If the child is counting the words, perhaps you could give extra points for words that tell more about the subject and describe how things look, and how the child felt about it. We don't want 'bare' sentences - dress them up with lots of interesting words!

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Play card or board games often. They teach lots of valuable skills, and are great family fun.

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February 2015

Name _____

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Print the names of the special days in February. Print today's date.	2 Today is Groundhog Day! Will he see his shadow? Tell someone what it means if he does.	3 Print the numbers from 900 to 1000.	4 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 15?	5 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	6 Count by 4's to 40, ten times. How quickly can you write it down?	7 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 16?
8 Play a board game with someone in your family.	9 Draw a wonderful Valentine picture. Print a story about your picture.	10 Count by 4's to 40, ten times. How quickly can you write it down?	11 Cut words out of a newspaper to make a story.	12 Make a Valentine for a special friend.	13 Make a special Valentine card for someone in your family.	14 It's Valentine's Day! Say "I love you!" to someone.
15 Write a story telling what you did on Valentine's Day. I wrote _____ words.	16 Draw a thermometer. Mark today's high and low temperature on it.	17 Get a handful of coins. Count how much money you have.	18 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	19 Practice spelling some words that you find difficult.	20 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 17?	21 Do aerobics for 20 minutes! Get someone in your family to help you and do it with you.
22 How many times can you skip? I can skip _____ times.	23 Count by 3's to 30 and by 4's to 40. How quickly can you write it?	24 Print the Roman Numerals to 20.	25 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 18?	26 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	27 Practice spelling some words that you find difficult.	28 Cut words out of a newspaper or magazine to make a story.
Return this paper to school. Count the stars!		When you print sentences, use capitals and periods!	Every day - read by yourself or to someone in your family.			

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February Tips for Parents:

Read aloud to your child. Read some favourites that have been made into films: *The Wizard of Oz* by Frank Baum, *James and the Giant Peach* by Roald Dahl, or *Dr. Doolittle* by Hugh Lofting. After the reading, watch the film - discuss which you liked best and how they were the same or different.



Listen to your child read every day. Read aloud at least 10 minutes, and extend this to 15 or 20 minutes by having your child read to him/herself. Make this time enjoyable!

Print the word lists from the website below, and see how far your child can read the words. Practice the words that he/she missed. If work comes home from school with misspelled words, practice spelling these. Use a chalkboard or whiteboard to add interest. Working happily with your child and discussing the project makes the time much more valuable.

Practice the addition and subtraction facts to 18 often. If your child can answer these quickly it is a great help when the concepts become more difficult. There are flash cards that you can print from the website below.

If you have an outdoor thermometer at home, show your child how to read it and get him/her to tell you the temperature each day. Put the results on a graph or a chart to show the differences from day to day.

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March 2015

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Print today's date several ways.	2 Do aerobics for 20 minutes! Get someone in your family to help you and do it with you.	3 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 11?	4 Practice spelling some words that you find difficult.	5 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	6 Get a handful of coins. Count how much money you have.	7 Count by 6's to 60. How quickly can you write it down?
8 Find your province and town on a map of Canada.	9 Practice telling time. Get someone in your family to help you.	10 Look in a newspaper and find three things you would like to buy. How much money do you need?	11 Tell someone about a story that your teacher read to you.	12 Count by 3s to 30 and 4s to 40, ten times. How quickly can you write them down?	13 Draw a thermometer. Mark today's high and low temperatures on it.	14 Play a board game with someone in your family.
15 Do aerobics for 20 minutes! Get someone in your family to help you and do it with you.	16 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 12?	17 It's St. Patrick's Day! Wear something green. Tell someone about this day.	18 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	19 Practice spelling some words that you find difficult	20 Get a handful of coins. Count how much money you have.	21 Are there any signs of spring? Write about the weather.
22 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 13?	23 Count by 6's to 60. How quickly can you write it down?	24 Find a map of your community and then find where you live and your school.	25 Draw a thermometer. Mark today's high and low temperature on it.	26 Practice telling time on different kinds of clocks.	27 Look at a map of Canada. Can you find 10 provinces and 3 territories?	28 Play a card game with someone in your family.
29 Go outdoors and play catch with someone.	30 Tell someone what you know about dinosaurs.	31 Did March go out like a lamb or a lion? Explain this to someone.			When you print sentences, use capitals and periods!	Every day - read by yourself and to someone in your family.

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March Tips for Parents:

Read aloud to your child. Read books by Beverley Cleary - you can begin with *Ramona the Pest*. Try *Charlotte's Web* and *Stuart Little* by E.B. White or *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane* by Kate DiCamillo. Your local library will likely have these.



Listen to your child read every day. Read aloud at least 10 minutes, and extend this to 15 or 20 minutes by having your child read to him/herself. It is very important to your child's success!

Aerobics are on the homework calendar. You could put on jazzy music, and do this as a family group with an adult as the leader, changing motions often. Some of the game systems have exercise programs, too. Remember, children should have at least one hour of exercise every day.

When it asks the student to print today's date different ways - here are some options..... Saturday, March 1, 2015... or.... 01-03-2015 or 01/03/15 , etc.

If you have an outdoor thermometer at home, show your child how to read it and get him/her to tell you the temperature each day. Will March come in and go out like a lamb or a lion?

When the student is doing a writing assignment for homework, encourage the use of interesting words and ideas. Continue to increase the number of words written.

Find a map of your area. It can be a paper map, or maps on the internet. Find where you live and how you go to school. Name the streets. Trace where you go shopping on the map, and the favourite playgrounds. If you have a computer with Google Earth, match the photographs to the map. Look at a map of your province and of Canada.


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April 2015

Name _____

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	When you print sentences, use capitals and periods!		1 Are there special days in April? Write today's date in different ways.	2 Write a funny story. Read it to someone.	3 Good Friday! Have a good day! Go outdoors and run with someone in your family.	4 Colour Easter eggs with your family.
5 Easter Sunday. Help someone. Play a board game with someone in your family.	6 Draw a thermometer. Mark today's high and low temperatures on it.	7 What did you do this past weekend? Write a paragraph about it.	8 Get a handful of coins. Count how much money you have.	9 Count by 3's to 30 and by 4's to 40. How quickly can you write them?	10 Make a list of things that you could make with a plastic pop bottle.	11 Go for a run. Ask an adult to go with you.
12 Play a board game with someone in your family.	13 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 15?	14 Write a story about finding a dragon on your way to school.	15 Count by 7's to 70. How quickly can you write it down?	16 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 14?	17 Look in a newspaper and find four things you would like to buy. How much money do you need?	18 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 15?
19 Look in a newspaper and find five items you would like to buy. How much money do you need?	20 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	21 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 16?	22 Today is Earth Day! Make a list of ways you can help the earth.	23 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	24 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 18?	25 Print the Roman Numerals to 20. Can you go further?
26 Count by 7's to 70. How quickly can you write it down?	27 Name all the provinces of Canada. Find them on a map.	28 Write a story about a dinosaur.	29 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	30 Return this paper to school. Count the stars!	Every day - read by yourself or to someone in your family	

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April Tips for Parents:

Read aloud to your child. Read the *Ivy and Bean* series by Annie Barrows and *Holes* by Louis Sachar. Read the *Junie B. Jones* series by Barbara Park.

Listen to your child read every day. Read aloud at least 10 minutes, and extend this to 15 or 20 minutes by having your child read to him/herself. It is very important to your child's success! If your child reads well, find 'chapter' books that he/she finds interesting.

Aerobics are on the homework calendar. You could put on jazzy music, and do this as a family group with an adult as the leader, changing motions often. Some of the game systems have exercise programs, too. Remember, children should have at least one hour of exercise every day.

Practice the addition and subtraction facts to 18 often. If your child can answer these quickly it is a great help when the concepts become more difficult. There are flash cards that you can print from the website below.

The value of homework increases when an adult happily works with the student and the work is discussed. If homework becomes stressful for either the adult or the child, the value is lessened - and can even be harmful to learning.

When the student is doing a writing assignment for homework, encourage the use of interesting words and ideas. Try to increase the number of words written. You and the child could brainstorm interesting words to add to the sentences.

Find a map of Canada. It can be a paper map, or maps on the internet. Find your province and where you live, and places you have visited. Show the three oceans that border Canada, and the provinces and territories.

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May 2015

Name _____

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Every day - read by yourself or to someone in your family.	When you print sentences, use capitals and periods!		1 Print the names of any special days in May. Print today's date.	2 Learn how to spell the names of some dinosaurs.
3 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	4 Practice spelling words that you find difficult.	5 What did you do this past weekend? Write a paragraph about it.	6 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 11?	7 Count by 8's to 80. How quickly can you write it down?	8 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 12?	9 Play a board game with someone in your family.
10 Go for a run. Ask an adult to go with you. Do some aerobics, too!	11 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 13?	12 Write a story. I wrote _____ words.	13 Draw a wonderful sports picture. Print a story about your picture.	14 Cut words out of a newspaper to make a story.	15 Name all the provinces of Canada. Find them on a map.	16 Play a board game with someone in your family.
17 How many times can you skip? I can skip _____ times.	18 Victoria Day. Who was Victoria and why do we celebrate her birthday?	19 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	20 Find Canada on a map of the world. How many other countries can you find?	21 Get a handful of coins. Count how much money you have.	22 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 14?	23 Practice spelling some words that you find difficult.
24 How many times can you skip? Keep a record!	25 Count by 9's to 90. How quickly can you write it down? Can you see a trick?	26 Look at a map of the world. Name the continents and oceans.	27 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	28 Do some difficult addition questions!	29 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	30 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 15?
31 Play a board game.						

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May Tips for Parents:

Read aloud to your child. Read Bill Peet's *Capyboppy*, and *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* by C.S. Lewis. See if you can find *Poo-Poo And The Dragons* by C. S. Forester.

Listen to your child read every day. Read aloud at least 10 minutes, and extend this to 15 or 20 minutes by having your child read to him/herself. It is very important to your child's success! Pick books that are fun to read. You might try *The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales* by Jon Scieszka.



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Summer is coming! Encourage your child to skip, practice bouncing a ball, move a ball with the feet, throw and catch.

Practice the addition and subtraction facts to 18 often. There are flash cards that you can print from the website below.

Talk about the changes in nature as summer approaches. Discuss the birds and insects that you see. If you don't know the names of these, get a book at the library or look on the internet to research them. Your interest will encourage your child's interest. If you have a garden, let your child plant some seeds - and if you don't have a garden, plant some seeds in a pot. Climbing beans are interesting to watch grow, and the small marigolds germinate and grow quickly.

Find a map of Canada. Show the three oceans that border Canada, and the provinces and territories. Can you name the 10 provinces and the 3 territories?

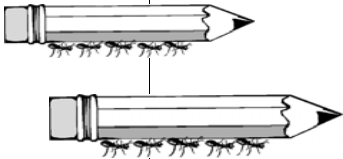
Play checkers, Chinese checkers or even chess - these are wonderful for increasing thinking skills. Card and board games are great for improving math skills.

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June 2015

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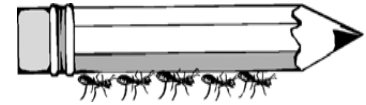
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Print the names of any special days in June. Print today's date.	2 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 16?	3 Write a story telling all the reasons you like summer.	4 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 17?	5 Do some difficult subtraction questions!	6 How many times can you bounce a ball?
7 Do aerobics for 20 minutes! Get someone in your family to help you and do it with you.	8 Count by 9's to 90. How quickly can you write it down? Can you see a trick?	9 Practice spelling some words that you find difficult.	10 Draw a thermometer. Mark today's high and low temperature on it.	11 Find Canada on a map of the world. How many other countries can you find?	12 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	13 Play a board game with someone.
14 Draw a wonderful summer picture. Print a story about your picture.	15 Practice spelling some words that you find difficult.	16 Look in a newspaper and find five things you would like to buy. How much money do you need?	17 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	18 Find all the continents and oceans on a map of the world.	19 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 18?	20 Play a board game with someone in your family. How many times can you skip?
21 Go for a run. Ask an adult to go with you.	22 Do some difficult addition questions!	23 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	24 Brainstorm all the interesting things you want to do this summer.	25 Write a story about the things you would like to do this summer.	26 Do some difficult subtraction questions!	27 Tell someone what your favourite things were that happened in school this year.
28 Throw and catch a ball with someone in your family.	29 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	30 Go on a nature walk and collect things.			Every day - read by yourself or to someone in your family.	When you print sentences, use capitals and periods!

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June Tips for Parents:

Read aloud every day. Pick books that are interesting to you and the child.

Listen to your child read every day. Read aloud at least 10 minutes, and extend this to 15 or 20 minutes by having your child read to him/herself. It is very important to your child's success! Pick books that are fun to read. You might try the *Captain Underpants* series by Dav Pilkey.



Encourage your child to read different things, too. Some children like comic books or children's magazines. Read about interests on the internet and research these at the library.

Summer is coming! Encourage your child to skip, practice bouncing a ball, move a ball with the feet, throw and catch. These are important skills!

Practice the addition and subtraction facts to 18 often. There are flash cards that you can print from the website below. When the homework asks to do some difficult math questions, let the child make up some tricky ones!

Homework doesn't have to be done at the kitchen table or a desk. Reading and many other activities can be done outdoors when the weather is nice.

Talk about the changes in nature as summer approaches. Discuss the trees and plants that are native to your area. If you don't know the names of these, get a book at the library or go on-line to research them. Your interest will encourage your child's interest.

Find a map of Canada. It can be a paper map, or maps on the internet. Find your province and where you live, and places you have visited or would like to visit. Show the three oceans that border Canada, and the provinces and territories.

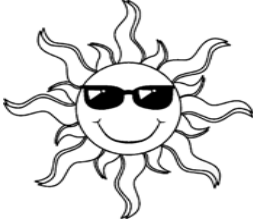
Play card games or board games. These teach many math skills!

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July 2015

Name _____

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>When you print sentences, use capitals and periods!</p>	<p>Every day - read by yourself or to someone in your family.</p>		<p>1 Today is Canada Day. Why is this day a special holiday?</p>	<p>2 Make a list of things you would like to do this summer.</p>	<p>3 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 11?</p>	<p>4 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.</p>
<p>5 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 12?</p>	<p>6 Do some difficult subtraction questions!</p>	<p>7 Practice spelling some words that you find difficult.</p>	<p>8 Do some difficult addition questions!</p>	<p>9 How many times can you skip? I can skip _____ times.</p>	<p>10 Count by 3's to 30, 4's to 40 and 6's to 60. Write them down.</p>	<p>11 Do some difficult subtraction questions!</p>
<p>12 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.</p>	<p>13 Look at a map of the world. Name the continents and the oceans.</p>	<p>14 Do some difficult addition and subtraction questions!</p>	<p>15 Go for a run. Ask an adult to go with you.</p>	<p>16 What did you do this weekend? Write a paragraph about it.</p>	<p>17 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 13?</p>	<p>18 Play a board game with someone in your family.</p>
<p>19 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.</p>	<p>20 Draw a wonderful picture about your holiday. Print a story about your picture.</p>	<p>21 Look in a newspaper and find five things you would like to buy. How much money do you need?</p>	<p>22 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 14?</p>	<p>23 Get a handful of coins. Count how much money you have.</p>	<p>24 Name the continents and oceans. Write them down.</p>	<p>25 Draw a thermometer. Mark today's high and low temperature on it.</p>
<p>26 Practice spelling some words that you find difficult.</p>	<p>27 Print your full name, address and birthday. Make a list of important phone numbers.</p>	<p>28 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.</p>	<p>29 Play a board game with someone in your family.</p>	<p>30 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 15?</p>	<p>31 Do some difficult addition questions.</p>	

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July Tips for Parents:

Continue to read aloud to your child. Students who listen to books have better comprehension skills as they are used to imagining the stories. They also have larger listening and speaking vocabularies.

Listen to your child read every day. Read aloud at least 10 minutes, and extend this to 20 minutes by having your child read to him/herself. It is very important to your child's success! Pick books that are fun to read. You might try the *Magic Tree House* series if your child is a good reader.

Summer is here! Encourage your child to skip, learn to bounce a ball and throw and catch.

Practicing the addition and subtraction facts to 18 will really help your child in Grade Three. Now the math becomes more difficult, and the students who really know the basic facts will do this with ease.

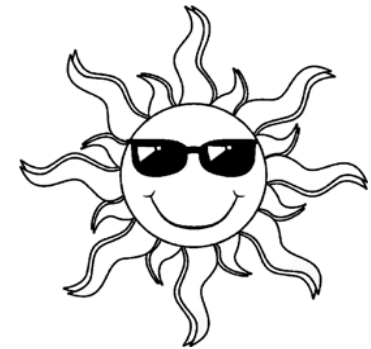
If you travel in the summer, take books along! Now you have an answer to the "What can I do?" question. When travelling, play the 'brainstorming' game. Give a topic, and then think of things that fit it taking turns with items (the person who finally can't think of any more loses) - a list of fruit, of things that are round, or things that are red - words that rhyme or begin with a certain letter. This helps the child extend his/her thinking. It can also be fun, and the family can join in.

Find a map of the world. It can be a paper map, or maps on the internet. Find Canada, and then other countries. Find the United States, China, Russia, India, Australia, England, France, etc. In what continents are these countries?

Doing a daily journal of the holidays is a good way of keeping up writing skills, and it makes a good keepsake. If you have a computer the child can use, have him/her write the daily events in a file. Show the basics of word processing.

Play card games or board games. These teach many math skills!


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August 2015

Name _____

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 Do some difficult addition and subtraction questions!	3 Play a board game with someone in your family.	4 Find Canada on a map of the world. How many other countries can you find?	5 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 16?	6 Practice spelling some words that you find difficult.	7 Make a list of things that will float. Test them in a bucket of water.	1 Print today's date in lots of ways. 8 How many times can you bounce a ball?
9 Do some difficult addition questions!	10 How many times can you bounce a ball?	11 Draw a thermometer. Mark today's high and low temperature on it.	12 Play a board game with someone in your family.	13 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 17?	14 What do you want to do this coming weekend? Write a paragraph about it.	15 Look at a map of the world. Name the continents and the oceans.
16 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	17 How many times can you skip? I can skip _____ times.	18 Get a handful of coins. Count how much money you have.	19 Look in a newspaper and find five things you would like to buy. How much money do you need?	20 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.	21 How many addition and subtraction equations can you make that equal 18?	22 Cut words out of a newspaper to make a story.
23 Go for a run with an adult.	24 Do some difficult addition questions! 31 Write a long story about your vacation.	25 Practice spelling some words that you find difficult.	26 Make a list telling why you want to go back to school, and a list of why you don't want to go.	27 Play a board game with someone in your family.	28 Do some difficult subtraction questions!	29 Write a story telling what you did today. I wrote _____ words.
30 How many times can you skip? I can skip _____ times.	31 The summer is over! Make a list of things you hope to learn in school this year.				When you print sentences, use capitals and periods!	Every day - read by yourself or to someone in your family.

Did you do your homework every day? Put a star on every day that you did the work!

August Tips for Parents:

Continue to read aloud to your child. Students who listen to books have better comprehension skills as they are used to imagining the stories. They also have larger listening and speaking vocabularies. And reading aloud is fun!

Listen to your child read every day. Read aloud at least 10 minutes, and extend this to 20 minutes by having your child read to him/herself. If you travel in the summer, take books along! Now you have an answer to the "What can I do?" question.



Texting or e-mailing friends and relatives are good writing exercises that children love to do. This isn't 'work' and isn't homework - just fun. It is also important that children know how to use technology.

Practicing the addition and subtraction facts to 18 will really help your child in *Grade Three*. Now the math becomes more difficult, and the students who really know the basic facts will do this with ease.

When travelling, play the 'brainstorming' game. Give a topic, and then think of things that fit it taking turns with items (the person who finally can't think of any more loses) - a list of vegetables, of things that are round, or things that are red - things that have seeds, a list of sea creatures or all the Spanish words you know; words that rhyme or begin with a certain letter. This helps the child extend his/her thinking. It can also be fun, and the family can join in.

If you travel (even locally) in the summer, take along maps. Let your child follow the travel on the map, and talk about the things you pass along the way.

Doing a daily journal of the holidays is a good way of keeping up writing skills, and it makes a good keepsake. If you have a computer the child can use, have him/her write the daily events in a file. Show the basics of typing and word processing.

Play card games or board games. These teach many math skills! Checkers and chess teach thinking skills.

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September 2014

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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October 2014

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November 2014

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December 2014

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January 2015

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February 2015

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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March 2015

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April 2015

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May 2015

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June 2015

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July 2015

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August 2015

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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