



TREE TOP TIMES NEWSLETTER

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Keep your kids entertained and educated during your time at home

Navigating through these uncharted times can be challenging. We hope you enjoy this compiled list of free resources on educational content and fun activities while at home with your child(ren).

1. PBS has provided education and comfort to millions of children throughout the years and is offering free educational resources and tips while home including: The PBS KIDS Video app offers on-demand educational videos and a live stream of the PBS KIDS 24/7 channel, the PBS KIDS Games app has nearly 200 educational games.

Reading resources

2. Storytime Anytime has a popular YouTube channel that features classics as well as superhero books highlighting some favorites like the Incredibles, Lego DC Super Heroes, Guardians of the Galaxy and Black Panther.

3. Brightly Storytime is a resource for read-aloud picture books and flip-along storytime books. Their YouTube channel is split into categories by age, making it easy to find the right book for your child.

4. Storyline Online is a website with multiple picture books read by popular celebrities. Each book also has supplemental curriculum to keep the fun going after the story has ended. www.storylineonline.net

Educational resources

5. Education.com is offering its premium resources for free to help parents and teachers alike. Get grade-specific bundles of resources, independent study packets and guided lessons. There are also games that teach children skills like sight words, counting, coding, spelling and rhyming. It's perfect for children in preschool through fifth grade.

6. GreatSchools has math, spelling, reading, counting and science worksheets available for children in PreK-fifth grade. www.greatschools.org/gk/worksheets

7. ABC Mouse is offering a free month trial of their services. The site has more than 850 lessons across 10 levels that is perfect for children ages two to eight. Kids can learn reading, arts, colors, math and science in the more than 9000 activities provided for free.

8. Scholastic is offering the **Scholastic Learn at Home Program**. The site has learning material for students in PreK-ninth grade. Each day, students get a few new tasks, such as reading a book or article, watching a video and completing a few activities. www.classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome

9. CircleTime helps children have fun while learning. Some of the options include storytime yoga, interactive

storytime, sing-along and playing with colors. If you want to cook or bake with your child, CircleTime has classes that walk you through a few simple recipes. For parents with babies, there are "Baby and Me" yoga classes available as well. www.circletimefun.com

STEM Educational Resources

9. ScratchJr is available as a free app to teach children ages five to seven how to code. As they solve programs and design projects, your child will be able to program games and interactive stories. www.scratchjr.org

10. CoolMath4Kids helps make math learning fun through games that teach kids how to add, subtract, multiply, divide and use fractions. The site has lessons, quizzes, brain teasers and even printable flashcards to help students learn new math skills. www.coolmath4kids.com

Free Coloring Sheets and Craft Ideas

11. All Kids Network has worksheets, color pages, hidden pictures, mazes, and dot to dot pictures available for free. Included on the site are more than 1000 craft ideas that you can do together with your child on the weekends or during a work break. www.allkidsnetwork.com

12. You Can Draw is perfect for kids who want to practice their artistic skills. Jarrett Lerner has blank comic book pages, "Finish This Comic!" comics and drawing/writing prompts to get your child's brain moving creatively. For more, go to www.jarrettlerner.com/activities

13. Crayola has every type of coloring page available for free downloads. You can find plants, animals, places, popular TV characters, words and letters, Disney characters and more. www.Crayola.com

Take A Virtual Field Trip

14. The Nature Conservancy helps kids feel like they are out of the house with these virtual field trips. Your child can explore the coral reef in the Dominican Republic, a coastal temperate rainforest and the great forests of China. www.nature.org/en-us

15. San Diego Zoo has free live cams of their animals. Some of the animals your child can watch include polar bears, elephants, giraffes, apes (and their new baby!), koala bears, tigers, penguins and pandas. <https://zoo.sandiegozoo.org/live-cams>

Just For Laffs

Q: What kind of bow is impossible to tie?

A: A rainbow





United States Word Search



Find all 50 state names and circle to complete

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