

Fun activities to do at home

1. Treasure hunt (with clues, hide a favourite toy somewhere in the house)
2. Make a batch of play doh
3. Tint shaving cream with food colouring, paint the windows or glass doors (or the inside of the shower glass) then rinse it off
4. Go through clothing from previous seasons, try on and cull things that are too small
5. Play dress ups in mum and dad's clothes – do a photoshoot
6. Graffiti the garden fence with chalk
7. Make a small bowl, plate, egg cup or statue from air dry clay
8. Day spa – do a Mani/Pedi/foot soak/face mask
9. Go through old photos and videos, and old craft and paintings
10. Have a living room disco – play freeze, musical chairs, have a dance off
11. Go through recipe books together and have a bake off challenge
12. Do a backyard scavenger hunt
13. Make Origami animals or paper ninja stars
14. Gardening – pull weeds, trim bushes, collect flowers for a vase
15. Make a mud kitchen in the garden, make different coloured rock paint
16. Practice hammering nails into a plank of wood
17. Organise the books on your shelf into a rainbow of colours
18. String up a sheet tent in the backyard
19. Find three toys to give to charity
20. Using Lego characters or other small toys, make a stop motion movie (download the app Stop Motion to your phone or Ipad)
21. Organise your Lego and then have a building challenge. Who can build the best house, hotel or shop?
22. Write notes of love, compliments or doodles and hide them around the house for family to find
23. Do a marshmallow toothpick engineering challenge
24. Create a “God’s eye” weaving using sticks and wool
25. Build a teepee fairy house
26. Try shadow drawing, leaf rubbings, painting bark or stones
27. Build a bug hotel
28. Try leaf threading and make a nature chandelier
29. Use a mirror to draw a self portrait
30. Create an Alfoil river in the garden and float things down it

31. Learn to braid hair
32. Create an obstacle course
33. Build a fort using the couch and every cushion/pillow you can find
34. Thread pasta into jewellery
35. Make 3D paper rainbows
36. Make your own bubble blower
37. Put goggles and swimmers on and swim in the bath
38. Go through your board/card games and challenge yourself to play them all.
39. Design your own game
40. Make greeting cards for the stationery cupboard to be used for birthdays and other occasions
41. Paint a family portrait to be framed and hung
42. Choose a picture book each and read aloud to each other in the biggest bed in your house
43. Have a handball tournament
44. Write a short story or poem that includes a dog, an umbrella and some sushi
45. Find 10 different shaped leaves in the garden
46. Create a paper crown for a member of your family and decorate it
47. Make a paper chain to hang up in the dining room
48. Try the travelling water experiment
49. Fill a small spray bottle with water and aromatherapy oil and then spray and wipe the house
50. Fold paper and cut out paper snowflakes
51. Make pom poms out of wool
52. Play drawing games like Simon Says drawing
53. Put on a puppet show using toys behind the couch
54. Make DIY rain clouds in a jar
55. Do the magic milk experiment
56. Create a sensory shaker bottle using an old bottle, glitter and water (and whatever else you'd like to put in there!)
57. Outdoor games like egg and spoon race, tag team races, three legged races, or play stuck in the mud
58. Fold paper planes and see how far they will fly
59. Build the highest block tower you can
60. Learn how to bake bread
61. Make a Lego zip line
62. Keep a balloon in the air as long as possible
63. Build a house with a deck of cards

64. String up the Christmas lights in your living room
65. Play cinema – make tickets, popcorn, give your guests a rug and watch a movie together
66. Play hotels using your bedrooms as ‘hotel rooms’ or restaurants by setting up the dining room like a restaurant with menus (or hospitals, vets, banks, etc)
67. Make up a workout and do it together (eg: 25 star jumps, 20 squats, 15 crunches, hop like a bunny around the lounge room, frog leap your partner)
68. Choose an inspirational quote and create a poster for your room
69. Change the bedsheets and build a sheet city in your bedroom before they get washed!
70. Press flowers within a few heavy books
71. Play the gummy bear game (using dice and 5 gummies each. Roll a 1 you eat one in your pile, a 2 you pass one bear to your left, a 3 you pass to your right, a 4 you keep it, a 5 you eat it, a 6 you keep it – keep playing till the gummies are gone!)
72. Make sidewalk paint
73. Make a magic potion using aromatherapy oils, glitter, water, petals
74. Take some garden clippings and see which ones you can get to grow roots for replanting
75. Use masking tape to make a race track. Race matchbox cars. Or use the inside of your bathtub as a ramp for racing
76. Listen to a kid’s podcast or audio book. Podcast suggestions:
 - Brains On
 - Wow In The World
 - Circle Round
 - Little Green Pod
 - Good Night Stories for Rebel Girls
 - Fierce Girls
 - Story Pirates
 - But Why?
77. With some old clothes, cut and create clothes for your toys
78. Take everyone’s height measurement on a door frame
79. Trace a partner’s whole body - now try to include as many body parts and organs as you can
80. Give someone a back, foot or head massage
81. Try sharpie tie dye
82. Take some artistic photos in black and white. Play around with filters and see what you can create. You could use a phone or learn how to use the proper camera (if you have one)
83. Water play – buckets, scoopers, whisk, pouring jugs, straws, bubbles!

84. Have a picnic lunch outside. Take books and toys with you
85. Sort through all your crafts and art supplies. See if something inspires you. Organise and sharpen all your pencils and test all your markers
86. Make a bottle rocket
87. Make rainbow paper
88. Make a stained glass window using clear contact & cellophane
89. Make a marble run
90. Paint a stick gnome
91. Make a rainbow stick
92. Jump rope – can you get to 100 without stopping?
93. Take apart an old appliance. Can you put it back together?
94. Research your family tree – see how far back you can go
95. Make a time capsule of this time to be opened in 10 years
96. Get swimmers on and wash the car or your bike!
97. Set up camp in the garden and play inside the tent
98. Write a letter to a friend, relative or teacher to mail
99. Lie on a rug in the garden and spot cloud shapes. Make up a story about what you see.
100. Work together to a family emblem, motto or song. Include elements that are important to you and your family
101. Learn to finger knit, french knit or braid wool into friendship bracelets
102. Sketch your dream red carpet look!
103. Try Michelangelo drawing under the table
104. Make a pretty lantern using an old jar, tissue paper and glue
105. Make an infinite paper flipper!
106. Make frozen dinosaur eggs (or you could use fairies, or Ooshies, etc)
107. Make a paper cut out family
108. Make a paper plate whale
109. Try dying some old plain fabric using natural dyes
110. Do a chalk photo shoot
111. Interview the members of your family
112. Make a popsicle stick catapult
113. Can you draw or paint with your feet?
114. Do a Yoga class together