



SCHOOL AGE

Week of May 11, 2020

Let's Get Started!

This week our home learning focus is going to be on moms. Mother's Day is only one day, but Mom is too special to limit to one day. So, let's celebrate Mom all week long!



Mother's Day Poem

I'm glad that you're my mom
And do so much for me,
Your smile and hugs and laughter makes me
Happy as can be!

For all the special things you do,
I just want you to know
You're my very favorite person
to guide me as I grow!

Happy Mother's Day!

Make a Memory Box

Decorate a shoe box using things that remind you of your mom. Use markers, stickers, jewels, or anything laying around your house. Present this box to your mom so she can use it to store pictures, notes, and other 'family' memories to keep in a safe place.

Coupons

Make your own gift certificate for Mom. A simple piece of paper that lets her know who owes her a simple act of kindness. Here are a few examples:

- Load the dishwasher
- Unload the dishwasher
- Take care of a younger sibling so Mom can take a bath
- Give Mom a back rub
- Vacuum a room
- Dust a room
- Help set the table
- Help make dinner
- Sweep the sidewalk



*Activities should be done under the supervision of an adult or older sibling.

Chores

One way to make Mom feel special is to help around the house by doing some chores (while also teaching responsibility). Here are a few ideas on ways you can help:

- Clear your place from the table
- Match socks during laundry time
- Feed the pet
- Wipe out sink after brushing teeth
- Read to your younger sibling
- Empty the waste basket
- Set the table

Make Homemade Chalk, and Then Write Mom a Message

Supplies:

- Cardboard tubes from center of paper towels or toilet paper
- Scissors
- Duct tape
- Freezer paper
- Quart plastic containers (recycled deli containers work well)
- Tempera paint in desired colors
- Water
- Mixing spoon
- Plaster of Paris
- Rubber spatula
- Cooling rack

Instructions:

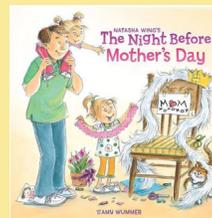
1. Cut paper towel tubes in half or use toilet paper tubes as is. Tape off one side of each tube with duct tape, being sure to completely seal the end.
2. Cut freezer paper into 6-inch squares and line each tube with one piece.
3. In a plastic container, mix Plaster of Paris as directed, in correct ratio, being sure to first mix 2 tablespoons of desired color of Tempera paint with the water used to make the plaster. Mix slowly while adding Plaster to water/paint mixture, until completely combined.

4. Using a rubber spatula to help, fill each prepared tube with the plaster mixture. Tap tube on work surface to release air bubbles.
5. Plaster will set in about an hour and can be removed from the tube after about two hours.
6. To remove chalk, first peel away duct tape, then peel away the cardboard tube, and finally, peel away the piece of freezer paper.
7. Once chalk is removed from tube, place on a cooling rack and let dry completely (1 to 3 days depending on humidity) before using.
8. Use your chalk to write a message to Mom.

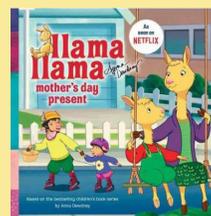
Books



*Sun Kisses,
Moon Hugs*
by Susan Schaefer
Bernardo and
Courtenay Fletcher



*The Night Before
Mother's Day*
by Natasha Wing



*Llama Llama
Mother's Day
Present*
by Anna Dewdney

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