

Online Resources

Enjoy this list of links for various online resources to keep you and your children entertained and engaged during this time at home.

Storytime & Book Readings

<u>Author Mac Barnett</u>: Every weekday Mac Barnett reads one of his picture books (midday) and chapters from one of his chapter books (early evening) on Instagram via IGTV.

Author Monique Gray Smith: Monique Gray Smith reads her books on Instagram via IGTV.

Author Oliver Jeffers: Oliver Jeffers reads one of his books every weekday on Instagram Live.

Author Peter H Reynolds: Peter Reynolds reads one of his books every weekday on Facebook Live.

<u>Jbrary</u>: An evolving list of online storytime resources.

<u>Operation Story Time</u>: Search for the hashtag #operationstorytime on Instagram to discover several authors posting videos of themselves reading their books.

<u>Penguin Kids</u>: Penguin Kids will share upcoming dates for various authors who will be reading their books aloud and where to watch them.

SAG-AFTRA Foundation: Streams videos featuring celebrities reading children's books.

Visit a Virtual Zoo or Aquarium

San Diego Zoo

Australian Zoos

<u>Cincinnati Zoo</u>: Home Safari Facebook Live highlighting an animal each day at 12 pm PST. All videos are posted to their YouTube channel after the live stream ends.

Ripley's Aquarium of Canada

Google

Google Street View: Visit places like Rome's Colosseum or the inside of Palace of Versailles in France.

Google Maps' Virtual Treks: Explore the Everest Base Camp, Pyramids of Giza and more.

Google Arts & Culture: Explore collections from around the world.

Activities, Lessons & More

<u>Harry Potter at Home</u>: A hub for all things Harry Potter including a free audio version of the first book available in the coming weeks.

All Kids Network: Crafts, worksheets, colouring pages, printable mazes, dot to dots, and more.

Bedtime Math: 5 minutes of nightly math for families.

<u>CBC Curio.ca</u>: Educational streaming platform that is currently offering complimentary access.

<u>Funbrain</u>: Free educational games for grades Pre-K to 8.

<u>The Kennedy Centre presents Lunch Doodles with Mo Willems</u>: Draw, doodle and explore new ways of writing by visiting Mo's studio virtually once a day for the next few weeks.

<u>Learn at Home - Ontario Ministry of Education</u>: Find supplementary resources for elementary and secondary students to practice math and literacy skills and learn at home.

Math Playground: A fun way to practice math skills for grades 1 to 6.

NASA STEM @Home: Activities for grades K to 8.

Pete the Cat, Harper Collins Children's Books: Songs, videos and activities.

Scholastic Learn at Home: Day-by-day projects to keep kids reading, thinking, and growing.

Seussville, Random House Children's Books: Playful learning through activities, crafts, and printables.

Todd Parr: Fun activities and printables from author Todd Parr.

<u>Vroom by Bezos Family Foundation</u>: A resource for early years focusing on brain building activities through simple interactions in everyday life.

Duolingo: Learn a new language for free.

Code Break: Resources to help learn computer science at home.

Kiwi Company: At home activities for ages 2 and up.

Audible: Offering free streaming for a large collection of children's stories.

Khan Academy & Khan Academy Kids: Free resources to keep everyone learning.

<u>Exploring by the Seat of Your Pants</u>: Broadcasting live, free events with leading scientists, explorers, adventurers and conservationists around the world.

The Great Wall of China: Go on a virtual tour.

Access Mars: Explore a 3D replica of the Martian surface.

World Surf League: Explore the world of competitive surfing.

Science World: Home experiments and activities.

4 CATS: Online art classes.

Free online tours of the British Museum, The Louvre, The Smithsonian and The Vatican.

<u>The Virtual Museum of Canada</u>: Largest digital source of stories and experiences shared by Canada's museums and heritage organizations.

Cooking

Nonna Live: Register for a virtual cooking class with Nonna Nerina in Italy.

<u>Delish.com</u>: Free cooking classes for parents and children.

Kitchen Quarantine: Lessons from chef Massimo Bottura on Instagram via IGTV.

Other Resources

<u>edX</u>: Free online courses from 140 top educational institutions.

Oxygen Yoga & Fitness: Free virtual classes.

Nike Training Club: Workouts, nutrition advice and expert help.

Headspace: Everyday mindfulness and meditation.

Museum of Modern Art: Online art courses.

National Theatre: Enjoy world class theatre online.

<u>The Jordan Harbinger Show</u>: A podcast where self-motivated people dig deep into the untapped wisdom of the world's top performers.

Ongoing History of New Music: The long running radio show by Alan Cross is now available in podcast form.