



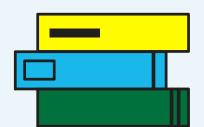


100 AWESOME IDEAS FOR SCREEN-FREE, READING RELATED FUN!

Screen-Free Week, hosted each year by Fairplay, is thrilled to partner with Children's Book Week to promote a winning year-round, screen-free activity — reading! We invite children and families to join in the double fun of our double events every year, by reading.

1. Read a screen-free themed book. Suggestions can be found at screenfree.org!

- 2. Celebrate Screen-Free Week and Children's Book Week, celebrated together each year!
- 3. Celebrate El día de los niños/El día de los libros (Children's Day/Book Day) on April 30.
- 4. Celebrate Free Comic Book Day, held annually on the first Saturday in May.
- 5. Celebrate Dr. Seuss Day on March 2.
- 6. Read a book about the environment on Earth Day, April 22.
- 7. Dress as a favorite book character for Halloween.
- 8. Give books as gifts.
- 9. Ask for books as gifts.
- 10. Celebrate Multicultural Children's Book Day in January.
- 11. Give a book to a teacher during Teacher Appreciation Week.
- 12. Try reading or writing poetry.
- 13. Start a new book that's the first of a series.
- 14. Re-read a book you've read before.
- 15. Find a fun pop-up book to flip through and admire.
- 16. Read a comic book or graphic novel.
- 17. Rather than watching a movie based on a book, read the book instead!
- 18. Get a library card.
- 19. Read a mystery and see if you can figure out whodunnit before the book's conclusion.
- 20. Find a fun book of silly jokes or riddles.
- 21. Find a fun book of puzzles.
- 22. Find a fun book of stories told in a rebus (pictorial) style.
- 23. Find a book on bugs and go on a bug hunt.
- 24. Read a book about a holiday that is meaningful to you.
- 25. Don't just sing about Hamilton, read a book about Hamilton.
- 26. Read in a hammock.
- 27. Find a book about screen-free fun, then have some screen-free fun!
- 28. Try a book in a genre that's new to you.



- 29. Listen to audiobooks in the car instead of watching videos or scrolling through your smartphone.
- 30. Read a book with pictures and words.
- 31. Read a book without pictures.
- 32. Read a book without words! (They're out there.)
- 33. Attend an author reading.
- 34. Attend an activity or event at your local library.
- 35. Attend an activity or event at your local bookstore.
- 36. Visit the library to check out a book.
- 37. Join a book club.
- 38. Visit your local Little Free Library and borrow a book.
- 39. Visit your local Little Free Library and donate a book.
- 40. Start a book club with friends or family.
- 41. Hold a book character parade.
- 42. Hold a poetry slam at school.
- 43. Invite your school principal to read a favorite book to students.
- 44. Act out a favorite book or a scene from a favorite book.
- 45. Attend a live show or puppet show that's based on a children's book.
- 46. Visit a bookstore to explore their children's book collection.
- 47. Start a book reading fundraiser for your school or favorite charity, collecting pledges for each book read or for hours spent reading.
- 48. Read ghost stories around a campfire.
- 49. Donate to a charity that supports universal reading for all children.
- 50. Invite an author or illustrator to speak at your school.
- 51. Attend a children's book festival.
- 52. Host a book swap with friends.
- 53. Start a reading buddy program at your school, where an older student reads to a young one.
- 54. Meet your local librarian.

- 55. Read aloud to your pet.
- 56. Ask an adult to read to you.
- 57. Read to an adult.
- 58. Make family read-aloud a part of your bedtime routine.
- 59. Read to a younger sibling.
- 60. Read to an older sibling.
- 61. Read a book to a baby. They love read alouds!
- 2. Hold a family book night everyone reads a book at the same time, in the same room.
- 63. Read a book aloud for the entire family to enjoy.
- 64. Find a coloring book for each member of the family, then color together!
- 65. Find a book about astronomy, then head outside to identify the Big Dipper and other constellations.
- 66. Find a new cookbook and try a new recipe together for family dinner night.
- 67. Use a heavy book to press freshly cut flowers in spring and colorful leaves in fall.
- 68. Find a new arts and crafts book and try out a new craft.
- 69. Build a Little Free Library.
- 70. If you play an instrument, try out a new music book of your favorite song.
- 71. Find a travel book to a place you've always wanted to visit, then plan your dream trip.



- 72. Find a book about clouds, then go outside and see if you can identify them.
- 73. Find a children's book about gardening and begin a garden at home or at school.
- 74. Find books about plants and trees then take a hike, trying to identify what you see.
- 75. Create your own bookmark.
- 76. Survey the adults in your life about their favorite children's books growing up.
- 77. Learn calligraphy from a book.
- 78. Learn to finger spell from a book on American Sign Language.
- 79. Create a fun mask of a favorite book character.
- 80. Learn to do cool yo-yo tricks from a book about yo-yos.
- 81. Find a book with magic tricks and astound your friends.
- 82. Write to your favorite book author.
- 83. Write to your favorite book illustrator.
- 84. Write the first chapter of your own book.
- 85. Research and write about your family history. Turn it into a book.
- 86. Keep a reading journal, so that you can keep track of the books you've read.
- 87. Keep a wish list of books you want to read.
- 88. Write and illustrate your own comic book.
- 89. Start keeping a journal.
- 90. Fill out a Mad-Libs story.
- 91. Find a book about a country where an ancestor came from.
- 92. Read a book about your favorite sport or animal.
- 93. Read about a national hero or your personal hero.
- 94. Read a book that will enhance your enjoyment of a hobby.
- 95. Read a book about collecting -- whether stamps, coins, shells, sea glass, and more.
- 96. Read a biography or autobiography, then try writing about yourself.
- 97. Invest in a good dictionary.
- 98. Invest in a good thesaurus.
- 99. Read a nonfiction book on a topic of interest to you.

100. READ!

