

Family Fun Activity: “Family Fun” Library

Getting Started

Plan a day that will be a day of family fun. The day needs to be a few days to two weeks in the future. Everyone will think of something fun that they would like to do. When a family member thinks of a fun activity, he or she will place it in the “Family Fun” Library.

The “Family Fun” Library Binder

Items Needed:

- General: 1 3-Ring Binder, Paint Pens, and Paper Towels
- Per Family Member: Aprons (to protect clothing)

Instructions:

- Each family member will decorate a section of the binder. (Example: the cover may be divided into sections, such as the front, the back, the spine, and each inside cover)
- A paper towel will help wipe away mistakes while the paint is still wet.
- The paint should be dry before each person takes his or her turn.



Building the “Family Fun” Library

Items Needed:

- General: Paper, Pencils or Pens, and 3-ring Page Protectors

Instructions:

- Each family member will think of one or more fun activities that he or she would love to do on your planned Family Fun Day.
- Guidelines may be set for the activity. For example: the activity has to be something outside, the activity needs to cost less than a certain amount, or the activity should include all family members.
- The activity will be written down, placed in a page protector, and placed inside the binder. Each activity will become part of the “Family Fun” Library.
- Examples: playing a board game; going to the zoo, park, or museum; playing kickball; planting a butterfly garden; and making a bird feeder.

“Family Fun” Day

Items Needed (*all optional*): Scrap Paper and Pencils or Pens, and Page Dividers

How do we choose?

1. The day before the big day, gather all family members together and as a family choose one or several activities to do on your Family Fun Day.
2. Get scrap sheets of paper and write one activity on each sheet. Fold the sheets and place them in a bag or box. One family member will draw an activity from the bag or box. This will be the activity for the day.
3. If activities are not lengthy, several family members may choose an activity.
4. Using the page dividers, activities may be put into categories: indoor, outdoor, at home, away from home, etc. You can choose activities that fit the weather, time available for day, etc.



“Family Fun” Memories

Items Needed:

- General: Permanent Marker, Paper and Pencils or Pens

Making Memories

In the days after your “Family Fun” Day, each family member will write or draw an image about his or her memories. Gather the family together and share each memory page. Place all of the memory pages in a page protector and write the date and activity on the page protector with the permanent marker. Place the page in your “Family Fun” Binder so these memories become part of your “Family Fun” Library.