

5 DAY FUN PACK



Day 1:

Dollar Store Scavenger Hunt

Give your kids a product to create and \$5 at the dollar store to buy supplies. This came out of the infamous Leprechaun Trap that Kindergarten classes everywhere seem to be doing. Make it something your kids will like: a fairy house, a car, a unicorn lure, a ninja hideout, whatever will spark their creativity. REMEMBER: Process over product!

Day 2:

Put on a Play

I spent many days in my childhood putting on a play and kids do this naturally through play. This may be easier if you have several kids or if they have friends over, but could be hilarious with even just one child. Have them pick a story (whatever their movie obsession is today), practice it and perform for you!

Day 3:
Nature Walk in Pictures

Take a walk around your neighborhood. Have kids take pictures of the plants and animals you find along the way. Take the time to really look. Have them create a scrapbook or collage of everything you found.

Day 4:
Household Chemistry

We all know that if you add vinegar to baking soda, you can make an erupting volcano. But what else? Another chemical reaction with baking soda and vinegar is making “hot ice.” Add baking soda a little bit at a time to 1 liter of vinegar and dissolve completely, stirring after each addition. Then boil for about 1 hour until the majority of liquid is evaporated and a film appears. Cool in the refrigerator. You now have sodium acetate and it will freeze almost instantaneously with the addition of a sodium acetate crystal or even just a touch.

Day 5:

Cooking Class

Teach kids to make a simple meal. It can be as simple as a sandwich for little ones to a whole meal for older kids. Point out the math that is used and ask questions like, “How much of that would we need if everyone had a friend visiting?” Then, once they understand how to make it, record kids making their meal while they explain it, like a Food Network show.