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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<p>1 Comfort me! Sing, play, and read with me. Listen to me, and talk with me. This creates healthy brain development so that I can learn more easily later on.</p>	<p>2 Encourage me to think about how the characters in a book are feeling, or how they can solve a problem. Say, "I wonder..."</p>	<p>3 Spend a few minutes today just BEING with me. Sit still, and pay attention to what I am interested in. Smile, and let me know that you care.</p> 	<p>4 Let ME answer questions that family & friends ask. It takes me a bit of time, but I can do it! Count to 10 under your breath while waiting for me to respond. Smile & wait!</p>	<p>5 I want to go on a date with you tonight! (Let's get washed up, dressed up, and go to dinner or a movie).</p>	<p>6 Go to http://www.dltk-kids.com/animals/tproll.html and look at toilet paper roll puppet ideas. Puppets help us learn about language, cooperation & manners!</p>
<p>7 Keep track of your child's milestones right from infancy. Screening helps all parents see if their child's development is on track.</p> 	<p>8 Take time to read to YOURSELF today - I need to see you reading too mom and dad!!</p> 	<p>9 Let's play "Follow the Leader" outside! Walk backwards; jump on one foot; run!</p> 	<p>10 I know it's not always easy, but keep at it! Aim for 15 minutes a day!</p> 	<p>11 Show me how I can help set the table!</p> 	<p>12 Let's have a conversation about the books we read tonight! Let's STRIVE for 5 turns on the same topic!</p> 	<p>13 Let's walk to the park today & talk about the things we see, hear, and smell on the way. Teach me new words!</p> 
<p>14 For older children, play games with sounds (e.g., I hear with my little ear, something that sounds like: "ap-ple-sauce". See if they can tell you the word: "applesauce!")</p>	<p>15 Talk about dialling 911 in case of an emergency.</p>  	<p>16 Let's add to our writing basket today! NEW crayons, paper, chalk, paint, WORKING markers, sharp pencil crayons, pencils!</p> 	<p>17 Let's make play dough today. Make a Jack and a Jill and a big hill and sing the nursery rhyme! Or, make the three little pigs and wolf, and tell the story!</p>	<p>18 Family Game Night! Turn off the phone, TV, i-Pad, & computer!</p> 	<p>19 GOOD FRIDAY Help me calm down by taking 5-10 deep breaths. Even toddlers can relax this way!</p> 	<p>20 Make a SOUND book! Say "I Hear with My Little Ear, the very first sound in _____ (pick any object- mmmilk)". Draw the object. Show me how to print & say the sound at the same time.</p>
<p>21 Happy Easter!</p> 	<p>22 EASTER MONDAY Let's take care of our yard today. Reduce plastic use.</p> 	<p>23 Tell me about YOUR day mom & dad! I can learn so many new words this way. And this will make me want to talk about MY day! I will share more with you this way ☺</p>	<p>24 Start bedtime EARLY tonight. That will leave room for more stories, more discussion about them, and a good night's sleep!</p> 	<p>25 Show me how to use scissors with junk mail today. Thumbs up!</p> 	<p>26 Help me make a thank-you card for someone special today.</p> 	<p>27 What's happening at the market today?</p> 
<p>28 Help me set up an obstacle course! Talk about the words under, around, behind, between, on/off, in/out</p> 	<p>29 Let's be silly with sounds in songs! (e.g., <i>Old MacDonald had a Farm, kee-igh-kee-igh-koel!</i>) I LOVE being silly - it helps me de-stress!</p>	<p>30 Let's empty the bowls/pots cupboard & drum the rhythm of a song or nursery rhyme with a wooden spoon.</p> 