



## Match Activity Ideas

Looking for things to do with your Little that can be either outdoors that allows social distancing or virtually through FaceTime/Zoom? Here are some ideas!

### Virtual Activities

- Meditate together
- Help your Little write a letter to the author of their favorite book
- Volunteer to virtually visit your Little's class to tell students about your profession.
- Learn with your Little how to tap out your names in Morse code.
- Learn 10 new words in a foreign language.
- Help your Little make a list of everyone who loves them
- Ask your Little to teach you something they learned in school
- Read biographies of people who did great things and let your Little know they can do great things too
- Write a letter to your Congressional representatives regarding an issue important to both of you
- Using the letters from a big word, see how many smaller words you can create
- Role play meeting new people so your Little will have more confidence in unfamiliar situations
- Use a book of names to find the meaning of your names
- Plan a trip around the world or around the USA. It's a great way to sneak in a geography lesson
- Create a story together. Start by giving the other a starting sequence, such as "I was walking to school the other day and I saw..."
- Write a card to someone in a local nursing home and tell them what life is like for you. It will make their day!
- Read the same book together then discuss it
- Learn to identify three constellations
- Learn CPR/First Aid
- Do a virtual show and tell with your Little
- Research famous inventors, writers, or other famous people that intrigue your Little
- Learn to sign your names in sign language
- Order Chia pets and watch them grow
- DIY Crafting Projects together- use what you have in your own homes. Check out Pinterest for tons of ideas

- Start a Virtual Book Club and pick a book that you each have or can get or borrow, or can access via Kindle or another means. Read the same book and talk about it.
- Co-Author a Story together- Consider starting a story of any kind, mailing or emailing it to your Little, and asking him/her to fill in the next section or chapter (or even just the next paragraph or line!) and send it back to you. Send it back and forth as long as you can keep it going!
- Start a match journal and write about your experiences together
- Look up poems together and talk about what it means to you, or plan that you each will come to your next call with a poem you've found and want to share
- Give each other a virtual tour of your respective homes
- Create a scavenger hunt for each other, for fun or competition.
- Create your own free, INSTANT crossword puzzle for your Little. Through the following website ([www.crosswordlabs.com](http://www.crosswordlabs.com)), you can enter your own custom questions and answers
- Check out some online games you can play together- Words with Friends, Boggle, Game Pigeon, Meme Wars, Draw Something
- Have a TikTok Dance-off
- Make an exercise plan together and either do it simultaneously, or create a competition to see who spends the most time moving, or completes the on-line class, etc.

## Outdoor Activities

- Go for a walk/hike and learn to identify animal prints in the snow
- Visit the dog park and count how many different types of dogs you see
- Throw snowballs at a tree or pole from increasing distances
- Go on a camera scavenger hunt. Let your Little take the pictures
- Grab some binoculars and go to the river to bird watch.
- Paint rocks with happy words, place them around town and help a stranger smile
- Check out a tree identification book from the library and discover which trees grow in your neighborhood
- Train together and participate in any virtual fun runs
- Volunteer to ring a bell for charity during the Holidays
- Show your little how to check and change the oil in your car
- Go cross country skiing, downhill skiing, snowboarding, sledding
- Open the hood of a car and point out various parts of the engine
- Set up a roadside hot chocolate stand
- Gaze up at the clouds and tell each other the different pictures you find
- Visit the gentle giants at United in Light Draft Horse Sanctuary
- Do random acts of kindness such as shovel someone's driveway who could use some help
- Grab hot chocolate together and go on a walk
- Go snowshoeing
- Go Cross Country Skiing

- Build a Snowman
- Go Sledding
- Hit the slopes at Bridger Bowl
- Go for a walk in the woods or a neighborhood park and see what kind of animal footprints you see

Need more ideas? Contact BBBS and we will send you more ideas of what you and your Little can do together!