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# SCREEN FREE SUMMER IDEAS

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6. Go for a nature walk
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15. Lie down and draw what you see

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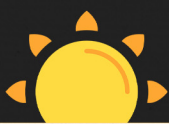
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33. Print free coloring pages of your favorite characters ([Link here](#))
34. Make your own playdough ([Link here](#))
35. Experiment with science ([Link here](#))
36. Create a sensory bin ([Link here](#))
37. Kids' dinner night – let your kids create a menu and make dinner
38. Practice measuring solids and liquids with measuring cups (try water or dry beans)
39. Decorate cookies
40. Make a structure with dry spaghetti or toothpicks and marshmallows
41. Use painters tape to create a city for their cars
42. Learn a new card game
43. Clean your room
44. Gather old toys to donate
45. Shadow play with flashlights
46. Make a vet clinic for stuffed animals
47. Setup a pretend classroom
48. Try a new hobby (sewing, clay, jewelry making, embroidery)
49. Memorize a poem or scripture
50. Make thank you cards or cookies for community helpers (police officers, firefighters, etc.)
51. Help an adult bake something
52. Study a famous artist and try out their style of art
53. Host a talent show with friends or neighbors
54. Kids' dinner night – Let your kids create a menu and make dinner from start to finish
55. Plan a build your own pizza night
56. Host a Movie Night at home (you can make tickets, have popcorn and treats!)



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15. Sit down and draw what you see
16. Host a lemonade stand (with an adult's supervision)
17. DIY Car Wash
18. Wash your toy cars
19. Water fun at home (use what you have– water tables/squirt guns or spray bottles/water balloons/sponges/buckets)
20. Set up sprinklers or a slide and slide
21. Go for a hike or a nature walk
22. Play leap frog
23. Go on a scavenger hunt ([Link here](#))
24. Make a bouquet of wildflowers
25. Collect and paint rocks
26. Weed or water the garden (or the grass, whichever)
27. Take a dog on a walk or play fetch
28. Go swimming at a local pool
29. Find a friend or neighbor who plays in a summer league and go watch a game







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*\*\*please confirm dates/times on their website*



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