

Survive the school holidays: Free top tips to keep the kids entertained

1. Bring out your their creative side by making homemade pizzas. You can turn them into faces using various toppings

2. Turn them into Bear Grylls with a night in tent in the garden. This [two man tent](#) is perfect and easy to put up

3. Make a fort in your living room with furniture and blankets, or free cardboard boxes from your local supermarket

4. Make homemade ice lollies using real fruit juice

5. Build paper aeroplanes and have a flying contest

6. Draw a map of the house and make a treasure hunt

7. Create a family keep-sake by painting your children's hands and printing them on white card. They'll one day look back and wonder how their hands were ever that small!

8. Using a piece of paper and a black felt tip, make Harry Potter's wand. Alternatively, experience the real thing by going on the Harry Potter tour

9. Get your kids to write a short story about them going on a trip to space

10. Go to the zoo and make a scrap book of your day out

11. Make potato stamps to produce some homemade cards to send to far away relatives

12. Introduce a new generation to an old game, boules. We have some classic big garden games, like Connect 4, [here](#)

13. Teach them cross-stitch. You can get special kits that are designed for younger children so they don't hurt themselves

14. Visit an attraction. [Tulley's Puzzle Park](#) in Crawley has over four miles of paths, making it one of the most complex mazes in the UK!

15. Grab some chalk and draw a hopscotch court that you can play together with your kids

16. Make a map by drawing squares on a large sheet of paper and see how easy they find it to draw the local area

17. Turn them into a budding astrologer by going star gazing on a clear night

18. Teach your kids how people used to tell the time before clocks and watches were invented by making a sundial

19. Teach them to ride a bike. This [wooden balance bike](#) is a great way to get them started

20. Make gorgeous bubbles without a wand: Form an OK sign, submerge fingers in bubble solution, and blow gently

