

Homework Calendar Grades 1 to 3

May 2019

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Homework Week of April 29 to May 3	READING AND WRITING	<p>Dolch Words (Sight Words): Learn 5 new words and practice them throughout the week. Here is a link to the dolch words for preprimer to Grade 3: https://www.k12reader.com/dolch/dolch_alphabetized_by_grade.pdf Please contact your teacher for guidance as to what words your child is working with. Write each one of your 5 words on index cards. Add the 5-word cards to your word ring. Practice them often to develop rapid recall. **Your child should be working on 3 to 5 new words every week. French Immersion words: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1j7VZuU4JhNZrk3TN9lVjWZl5Ei1xa4F7R_amaWK</p>
	MATH	<p>Have you visited http://gregtangmath.com/games? There are many educational online games available for your child to play. Try "How Much, How Many" for early primary. Try "Breakapart" for older primary students.</p>
	SPECIAL EVENTS	<p>May is Speech and Hearing Month Visit maymonth.ca to learn about how communication health professionals make a positive impact on children and families. While you're there, enter their kids' contest to share your experiences.</p>
Homework Week of AMay 6 to 10	READING AND WRITING	<p>Choose a favourite song and rewrite the lyrics to create a family anthem. Include the things you enjoy doing together, the names of your family members, pets, favourite foods, etc... Many lyrics include rhyming patterns. Try to create a rhyming pattern in your lyrics.</p>
	MATH	<p>Counting forward can be easy for some people when they start at zero or one. What about starting at a different number? Try starting at 7 and counting forward. Now try starting at another number. You can turn it into a game where one family member says a start number and the other counts forward from that number. <i>Counting backward can be tricky.</i> Try starting at 8 and counting backwards. Pick different starting numbers and practise counting backward. These skills will get easier with practice.</p>
	SPECIAL EVENTS	<p>Education Week takes place Monday, May 6th to Friday, May 10th. The Coalition for Music Education commissions an original song every year for this celebration. Visit https://coalitioncanada.ca/musicmonday/en/ and learn the song together. Find out from your school what activities are planned for Education Week and Music Monday.</p>

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Homework Week of May 13 to 17	READING AND WRITING	<p>Play Word Magic with your child. Print out the letter cubes below. Cut them out and fold them into dice. Tape or glue the edges of the paper together. How to Play: Roll 5 of the dice and try to make a word. Points are given for the number of dice that can be used. Play five turns with a friend to see who comes up with the highest score! https://drive.google.com/file/d/1o3sDr0GuqfHrZwvxVB7H9m3CvOyH7eDR/view?usp=sharing</p>
	MATH	<p>Play a board game as a family such as Game of Life, Clue, Monopoly, Risk, etc.</p> <p>Questions to consider when playing the game:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does your child instantly recognize the dots on the die/dice or do they count each one? • When playing with more than one die: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does your child count all of the dots? • Recognize the value of one die and count on by 1's for the 2nd die? • Instantly recognize the dots on the dice and add them?
	SPECIAL EVENTS	<p>Across Canada, the month of May is dedicated to celebrating the contributions of Canadians from over 30 countries that make up the Asian and South Asian diaspora. Download the Asian Canadian Heritage poster and research the achievements of one of these prominent Asian-Canadians. Asian Heritage Month Poster: http://bit.ly/2CZa7wY (English) http://bit.ly/2BY4GBy (French)</p>
Homework Week of May 20 to 24	READING AND WRITING	<p>Go on a hike or nature walk with your family. While on your outing, talk about what you see. Challenge one another to use words to describe things you see (e.g., wide, thick, thin, rough, smooth, bumpy, etc). Experiences such as these help your child to develop vocabulary, which supports them in reading and writing.</p>
	MATH	<p>Symmetry Exercises for Kids Lite app - 4 game modes: COPY, MOVE, VERTICAL SYMMETRY, & HORIZONTAL SYMMETRY With a sheet of paper, a grid and a template, your child will be able to draw 32 drawings on their iPad.</p>
	SPECIAL EVENTS	<p>May 20th is Victoria Day: a day that many families spend together. Take time to read together, watch a family favourite show, cook a favourite recipe. If the weather cooperates, go outside and play some games. If it is raining, think about why we need the rain and how it benefits the earth in the spring.</p>