



OCTOBER



Make everyday an early learning day with these **at-home family activities and resources**



HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES

Leaf Art

Now is a great time to furnish your home with festive decorations to celebrate the changing seasons. To get started, gather materials from your neighborhood or local park, such as leaves, sticks, and pinecones! Next, you and your child can have fun painting your materials, making collages, and creating unique works of art. Check out the links below for more ideas!

growingajeweledrose.com/multiculturalkidblogs.com [en español](#)

Scavenger Hunt

Do you have little ones that want to trick-or-treat? This year, try having a Halloween scavenger hunt instead, either in your home or neighborhood (while practicing social distancing). If you choose to leave your home, try using this happymomhacks.com checklist or this printablesfairy.com checklist of sights and decorations to look for. If you choose to stay in, try bringing the outdoors inside, by hiding leaves, rocks, and twigs or Halloween shaped cut-outs around your home to be discovered.

Yummy Treats

Fall is a great time for sensory exploration with kid-friendly cooking. Check out these delicious recipes that will engage you and your child's senses of smell, taste, and touch, while providing you with quality time together. Try making [honey rice krispy treats](#) or [apple dumplings](#) to get started.

Spiderweb Walk

Test your child's balance and concentration with this spiderweb walking game. Using tape, create a spiderweb pattern on your carpet and have your little ones see how long they can walk on the "web" without falling off. For older kids, you can even include obstacles and prizes along the way.

goodhousekeeping.com

Día de los Muertos

Celebrate and learn about Día de los Muertos this year (virtually). Día de los Muertos is a day, not of mourning, but of celebration! On this day, families remember and honor their loved ones who are now gone. [Here](#) is a handy guide to the holiday. [Forest Lawn](#), and [Downey Dia de los Muertos Art Festival](#) are hosting virtual events on Nov. 1st in honor of Día de los Muertos. Lastly, [here](#) is a link to easy at home crafts to help celebrate.

Harvest Festival

Throw a fall-themed party from the safety of your home. You can involve your children in all elements of the party, such as creating the decorations, food, and games! Put some music on, invite some friends to virtually join you and have a blast enjoying a socially distanced Harvest Festival! scatteredthoughtsofacraftymom.com/countryliving.com

ONLINE LEARNING RESOURCES

Starfall Education

Specifically geared towards children in preschool, pre-k, and kindergarten, Starfall has online learning activities about numbers, colors, reading, sing-alongs, and more! starfall.com

Cat in the Hat Invents

This STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Math)-based app is centered around Dr. Seuss's "Cat in the Hat" and challenges kids to become problem-solvers and learn about science and engineering at an age-appropriate level.

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