

# Parent Pointers

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> Set aside time to listen as your teen tells you about each of his teachers and classes.	<b>2</b> Ask your teen to keep a to-do list. By writing down things she needs to do, she is less likely to forget them.	<b>3</b> Ask your teen to imagine life 150 years ago. How about 150 years in the future?	<b>4</b> Make a "date" with your teen to do something fun. Write it on your calendar.	<b>5</b> Take your teen out for breakfast. No agenda—just enjoy spending time together.
<b>6</b> Does your teen have a regular study schedule? Teens need to set aside time every day for school work.	<b>7</b> Find a book that describes holidays around the world. Choose a new holiday to observe, or invent one.	<b>8</b> Avoid unnecessary criticism of your teen.	<b>9</b> Watch the news with your teen. Locate one place mentioned on a world map.	<b>10</b> Don't violate your teen's privacy. By providing privacy, parents demonstrate respect.	<b>11</b> Be an attentive listener! This will improve communication with your teen.	<b>12</b> Many families give their teens a clothing allowance. It teaches budgeting and avoids fights.
<b>13</b> Accept your teen's mistakes. Allow them to be learning opportunities.	<b>14</b> Help your teen find the best time to study.	<b>15</b> It's Geography Awareness Week. Quiz each other on state, province and world capitals at dinner tonight.	<b>16</b> Encourage your teen to spend 10 minutes each night getting ready for the next day.	<b>17</b> Make today dictionary day. Talk with your teen about new words that should be in the dictionary.	<b>18</b> Ask your teen for opinions. Your teen probably knows things you don't about computers, fashion or art.	<b>19</b> Today is the anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. Read it aloud with your teen.
<b>20</b> Teens need to visit the library regularly. Make sure your teen has a library card.	<b>21</b> Squash is a native American vegetable. When you're in the supermarket, choose a new squash to try.	<b>22</b> Can your teen study with music? Some can and some can't. Experiment to figure out which way works best.	<b>23</b> Make a list of all the things that make your family members thankful.	<b>24</b> One night this week, sit down and watch your teen's favorite TV show. Then talk about it with your teen.	<b>25</b> Every time you talk with your teen on the telephone, end your conversation with the words, "I love you."	<b>26</b> If your teen is saving for a special purchase, have him keep a picture of it in his wallet.
<b>27</b> Set aside some time to spend one-on-one with your teen today.	<b>28</b> If your teen has strong opinions on an issue, encourage her to write a letter to the editor of your newspaper.	<b>29</b> Read a textbook assignment with your teen. Then ask your teen to tell you about it in his own words.	<b>30</b> Talk to your teen about bullying. Has she ever been bullied at school? Has she ever bullied another student?	<h1>November 2011</h1>		