

Fun Without Funds

1. Go for a hike and observe the wildlife - lots of public trails and conservation areas.
2. Go to a park or one of the many schools that have well equipped play grounds.
3. Teach your child an activity or sport such as catch, basketball, soccer, or skipping.
4. Ride a bike together.
5. Play a board game at home or at a park.
6. Visit a library and be sure to look into special exhibits and events, or research a topic of interest together.
7. Take your child to your workplace and show him/her what you do each day.
8. Play some tennis ... the courts are free.
9. Check out the Kitchener or St. Jacob Farmers Market, or perhaps some yard sales.
10. Cook a meal together or bake some treats.
11. Wash your car together.
12. Do some window shopping downtown or in the malls.
13. Take the public transportation on a trip together and explore a new part of the city.
14. Read a mystery story together or write your own story together.
15. Watch a parade or community event.
16. Enjoy some of the many festivals and events during the summer months
(www.festivalsandeventsontario.ca).
17. Start a hobby together, visit a local hobby shop and be amazed by the possibilities.
18. Go fishing.
19. Visit your local fire hall or police station (call in advance).
20. Visit the Humane Society or local pet shops.
21. Attend your child's school events, sports games, and plays.
22. Do some household chores together such as gardening washing windows and painting.
23. Build a bird house or feeder.
24. Do a crossword or jigsaw puzzle together.
25. Tour the campus and the buildings at the University or Colleges.
26. Pick your own fruits or vegetables at a "u-pick" farm.
27. Watch for Canada Day celebrations, July 1st.
28. Go tobogganing, skating, or cross country skiing or snowshoeing.
29. Build snow sculptures together.
30. Visit an art gallery or museum.
31. Write a poem together or a play then act it out.
32. Teach your child a craft or skill such as sewing, pottery, beadwork, or carpentry.
33. Fly a kite together.
34. Swim together at one of the many local pools.
35. Go camping and be sure to roast some marshmallows.