

# Online Activities For Your Child

Finding activities for school aged children can be difficult at times, especially when you are limited to staying inside your home. Luckily, several tourist attractions and organizations are offering fun and engaging activities online as well as live cams and videos so they can watch their favourite animals.

Encourage your child to check out the links below. With the help of an adult, these can be fun and interactive for younger aged children as well!

## The Toronto Zoo

<http://www.torontozoo.com/zootoyou>

The Toronto Zoo is offering parent resources that include activities, lesson plans and worksheets that will help further your child's understanding of the animal kingdom. They also offer virtual learning every Tuesday and Thursday at 11am. If you have facebook, watch their zoo keepers every day at 1pm to learn about the 5000 animals at the Toronto Zoo.

## Ripley's Aquarium of Canada

<https://www.ripleyaquariums.com/>

Ripley's Aquarium is streaming a live shark camera, rainbow reef camera and ray bay camera! They also offer live events that educate the public on the wonderful animals of our world waters. These live events take place from Monday to Friday at different times throughout the day. Click on the link to find out specific times and event!.

## Nasa Science Space Place

<https://spaceplace.nasa.gov/menu/play/>

Explore the earth, sun, solar system or even the universe with these fun games, activities, videos and crafts.

## NASA STEM

<https://www.nasa.gov/stem>

NASA also offers STEM program that includes a large range of activities. Children will have the opportunity to take part in STEM experiments like building a cloud mobile, watch videos, play games such as exploring Mars and so on. NASA STEM is divided into grades K-4, 5-8 and 9-12.

## Chrome Music Lab

<https://musiclab.chromeexperiments.com/Experiments>

Chrome music lab offers fun, hands-on experiments where you can explore different sounds and rhythms through different instruments and formats. You can even make your own songs and share them with family and friends!

## National Geographic Kids

<https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/>

Visit the craft corner, explore different countries, complete a variety of science experiments, read cool facts about animals and so on. National Geographic has lots of things for your child to do!

## San Diego Zoo

<https://kids.sandiegozoo.org/videos>

San Diego Zoo is offering live footage of their animals. When you click on the link, you will be directed to a new page that offers live cams for elephants, giraffes, penguins and more.

## Cedar Point Amusement Park

<https://www.cedarpoint.com/blog/fun-things-to-do-with-the-kids-at-home-inspired-by-cedar-point>

Ever wanted to design your own amusement park? Check out the tips and suggestions Cedar Point offers. In addition, they have Point Of View roller-coaster videos on YouTube. You could build your own roller-coaster seat and pretend to go on a ride!

## Scholastic Canada

<https://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome.html>

Scholastic is offering day-to-day activities that encourage children to read, think and grow. Grade levels include PreK and Kindergarten, Grades 1 and 2, Grades 3-5 and Grades 6-9.

## Looking for More Ideas?

<https://www.tvdsb.ca/en/our-board/learn-at-home.aspx>

Thames Valley District School's *Learn At Home Portal* has several educational resources to support the learning in mathematics, literacy, French and science.

If you require assistance in supporting your child's needs or finding activities to do at home during this time, please contact your Resource Consultant with Childinü Oxford. Visit <https://www.childinuoxford.com/about/meet-our-team/> for contact information.