



Learning Project – Week 1 – My Family

KS2 (Years 5 and 6)

Maths Ideas (aim to do 1 per day):

- Play on [Times Table Rockstars](#)
- Daily [arithmetic](#) for different areas of maths. Your child should aim to work on level 4, 5 and 6 activities. In the top left hand corner, you can choose your level, operation and timings.
- Get your child to work on their [reasoning and problem solving](#) by practising past SATs questions that are broken down into topic areas and have videos linked to them that can be watched if needed. As these are older papers these are suitable for both years 5 and 6. Click on one of the topic areas listed

Reading Ideas (aim to do 1 per day):

- Ask your child to summarise the events from the chapter they have read. They could bullet point what happened, create a comic strip or present the information in their own creative way.
- Encourage your child to note down any unfamiliar words from the chapter they have read. Explore the meanings of these words by using a dictionary, reading around the sentence or using print conventions.
- Challenge your child to read something around the house that isn't a book. They can then complete their reading diary following this.

Spelling Ideas (aim to do 1 per day):

- Practise the Year 5/6 for [Common Exception words](#).
- Choose 5 Common Exception words. Write synonyms, antonyms, the meaning and an example of how to use the word in a sentence. Can the word be modified?
- Choose a word from the Common Exceptions list. Make this the word for the day. Who in your family can use it the most times correctly?

Writing Ideas (aim to do 1 per day):

- Ask your child to write a diary entry/newspaper report summarising the events from the day. They can write this from their own perspective.
- Your child can think about a member of their family who is a hero/heroine to them. They can then create an information report about their chosen hero/heroine. Why not encourage them to interview that person and include some direct quotes from the interview?
- What makes your family different to other families? What makes them the same? Ask your child to write a poem about their family, they may even want to perform it too.
- Children should only be allowed to watch TV for one hour a day. Do you agree/disagree? Write a discussion about this statement.
- Story task: Ask your child to design a setting for a story genre of their choice. They can think about any settings that they have encountered in stories before. They must then write a short description including expanded noun phrases.

Big Project Ideas (can be completed throughout the week)

- Music from the Past - Your child can research music from the decade their parents, grandparents or other older family members were born. What were the most popular bands or singers during this time? Ask them to perform a song from this decade and create their very own dance routine. Encourage them to explain how they need to improve their performance in order to achieve their personal best.
- Portraits and Photography- Direct your child to take portrait photographs of their family members considering light and textures. Following this, they can then use the photographs to draw portraits in pen considering light and tone.
- Classification- Ask your child to design a classification key based on the simple physical features of their family. They can then test out the keys on each member of their family. Only use 'yes' or 'no' questions.



- Nature vs Nurture- Speak to your child about their appearance, their personality and their dreams for the future. How much of this do they believe is determined by their genes? How much of this is determined by their family/upbringing? Ask them to decide which traits are due to nature and which traits are due to nurture e.g. hobbies and interests or sense of humour. Try this out on other family members.
- Mapping Skills - Identify the countries or cities within the UK where their family members originate from or live. Children can then plot these on a map and then create a bar chart to show the number of family members who live/lived in each city/country.

Additional Resources

Here is a list of other online resources that you may wish to explore with your families.

Online resources:	YouTube Channels:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- BrainPop- Curiosity Stream- Tynker- Outschool- Creative Bug- Discovery Education- Phonicsplay	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Crash Course Kids- Science Channel- SciShow Kids- National Geographic Kids- Free School- Geography Focus- TheBrainScoop- SciShow- Kids Learning Tube- Geek Gurl Diaries- Mike Likes Science- Science Max
<p>Bonus: Pretend to travel the world... Go on a virtual tour of these 12 famous museums.</p> <p>https://www.travelandleisure.com/attractions/museums-galleries/museums-with-virtual-tours</p>	