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The Best Fun and Educational Online Activities for Kids

When bad weather rolls in, most kids get bored very easily while stuck inside, which can lead to behavioral issues and bad attitudes that leave everyone in the house wishing for a reprieve. It can be difficult to find fun activities for your kids to do at home when it's raining, especially if they are varied in age. Fortunately, there are several sites and apps that can help little ones have fun while learning something new.

Whether you want to allow your kids to get creative and learn to paint or sing or just let them explore a bit online to find new ways to make reading, math, and science fun, there are plenty of places to find engaging lesson plans and [games](#) that will make learning a breeze. No matter how old your child is, there are many different ways to help him stay entertained even when the weather is rainy or cold.

Keep reading for some great tips on how to get started.

Cook Together

A rainy day is a good opportunity to teach your kids how to cook. Look online for a healthy recipe that your kids can follow along with you. Then, [make it fun](#) by letting them add the ingredients. Don't be afraid of messes — your kids will love the hands-on experience of cracking an egg or making a sandwich. If you don't want to clean up a huge mess, teach your kids to make popcorn in a popper. It's healthier than bagged popcorn, and you can easily find the one that works for your family by looking over an [online guide](#).

Help Him Learn About Music

Music is a great way to help kids open up socially and explore math concepts at the same time, and playing an instrument is especially wonderful for little ones because it boosts self-esteem and can even help [improve performance](#) in school. However, it's important to find the right lessons and instrument for your child; you might start with woodwinds, which include a broad spectrum of instruments — like the [saxophone](#) and [clarinet](#) — and range in ease of learning.

Find Some Art Lessons

Most kids love to be creative, so foster their love of art by looking for [free art lessons](#) online. There are many different videos designed to teach kids of different ages and skill levels how to express themselves with paper and various media, which can be hugely beneficial for kids who are on the autism spectrum or have trouble with being verbal.

Take a Virtual Tour

[Virtual tours](#) are everywhere these days, as technology allows us to travel without leaving our homes. Kids can benefit from these and learn about the White House, the ancient pyramids in Egypt, and Buckingham Palace, among others. They can also tour museums and learn about dinosaurs and early man, giving them a leg up in school.

Learn All About Science

Science and math concepts are often the hardest for kids to learn, but they can be the most fun when done correctly. Look online for the best science lesson plans, experiments, [activities](#), many of which can be done at home with common household objects.

Learn the Latest Dance Craze

[Dancing](#) is one of the best ways for kids to get active and stay fit while having fun, so look online for dance tutorials, push back the living room furniture, and let them boogie down. This is also a great way to help your child get social if he's shy or has trouble connecting with other kids, and it can help him express himself if that doesn't come easily to him.

Use Online Resources to Help You, Too

While your children can benefit from the many useful resources listed above, parents can also find some incredible material online to make life a little easier. Not only can you find some healthy [family-friendly meal](#) ideas and recipes, but you can also find babysitters in case you need to step away from the house for a while to run errands or address any work concerns. Thankfully, there are ways to [locate reliable babysitters](#) in your neck of the woods, which will help out when you need someone to drop by and help out at a moment's notice.

Finding the best fun and educational online activities for your kids can help them in various ways, and it's a great way to spend a rainy afternoon for kids of any age. Think about your child's interests — dinosaurs, trains, ballet, or robots, for instance — and look for activities that integrate those things to keep him motivated. With a good plan and some help from kid-friendly websites, your child will forget all about the nasty weather.