

Here are 20 fun activities you can use whenever you have a few minutes. These would make terrific writing prompts. They could also spark some interesting discussions.

- 1.How would life be different if there were no electricity? List three different ways.
- 2.Explain a flower to someone who has never seen or heard of one before.
- 3.Write a story about the zoo without using the names of any animals.
- 4.Pretend that you get to make one rule that everyone in the world must follow. What rule do you make? Why?
- 5.What kind of soup would you eat for dessert? Write a recipe for dessert soup.
- 6.You can have any three things that you want. In return you must give away three things that are about the same size as the things you get. What do you get and what do you give away?
- 7.What are some ways you could celebrate "Backwards Day?"
- 8.Are you more like a square or a circle? Why?
- 9.How would the game of soccer be different if the ball was shaped like a cube?
- 10.What are three ways the world would be different if people did not need to sleep? What would you do with the extra time?
- 11.What would happen if all the bowling balls and bowling pins in the world suddenly became alive?
- 12.Which do you think is more important: motorized vehicles like cars and airplanes or computers? Why?
- 13.If you could choose one thing that costs money and make it free for everyone forever, what thing would you choose? Why?
- 14.If you could live in a tree house, would you? What are three advantages and three disadvantages to living in a tree house?
- 15.If people could not see colors, how would traffic lights work? Design a traffic system that does not rely on colors.
- 16.What are the ten most important jobs in the world? Do you want to do any of these jobs when you are an adult?
- 17.Pretend that parents have to take a test before they can have children. Write six questions that would be on the parenting test.
- 18.If you could invent a new subject that would be taught to all children in school, what would the subject be? Why do you think children need to learn about your subject\?
- 19.If you could talk to trees, what do you think they might say? Create a conversation between you and a tree.
- 20.Are you more like a river, a lake, an ocean, or a waterfall? Why?

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A bus stop has a bench and a bus schedule sign. How else could the bus stop be improved? List five ways.

