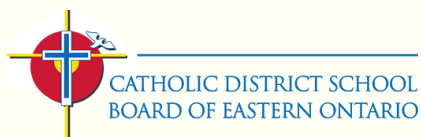


LITERACY

GRADE 7-8



LEARN AT HOME



DAY 1

READING

Beat boredom with a board game! Break out some family favourites such as Scrabble, Boggle or Monopoly. Reading directions and instructions is a great way to exercise literacy skills!

WRITING

Help your child practice their signature! This is an important life skill as they will need to learn to hand write their name to sign legal documents such as a driver's license or employment documents.



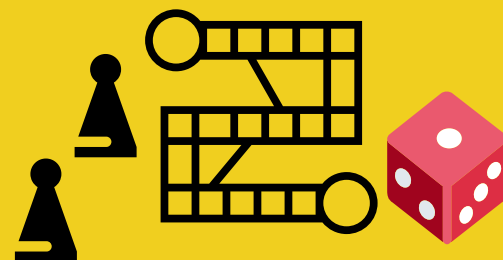
DAY 2

READING

As a family, go on an outdoor literacy walk. Pick a theme or subject (ie: "New Blooms", "Interesting Architecture", etc.) and record your findings in photos, videos, drawings or notes.

WRITING

Design your own board game, complete with rules, directions, and any necessary pieces. After you have finished, play the game as a family.



DAY 3

READING

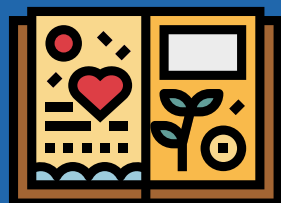
Together apart! Ask a friend to read the same novel as you.

At the end of each chapter, meet virtually to discuss:

- Who is your favourite character?
- What most surprised you?
- What do you think will happen next? Why?

WRITING

Create a scrapbook to highlight all of your activities and adventures while learning from home. Include news articles, pictures, special memories and more. This will be a nice memento to look back on.



DAY 4

READING

Ask a friend or family member to recommend a story, poem, article or memoir to you. Read the text and discuss with the person who recommended it. Some discussion ideas are:

- Why did you recommend this text?
- Why is this text significant to you?
- Can you make a text-to-world connection with this text?

WRITING

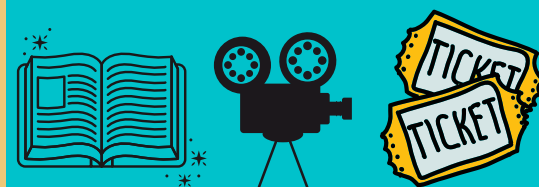
As a family, brainstorm ideas for a time capsule. Imagine that it will be discovered 50 years from now. What items will best represent what life was like in 2020? Pack your time capsule in a box and include a letter to the person who will find it. Find somewhere to hide it!



DAY 5

READING

Watch the movie version of one of your favourite books. For added fun, turn your home into a makeshift movie theatre: create tickets, "sell" snacks and have fun! Afterwards, discuss the similarities and differences between the book and the movie.



WRITING

Our federal and provincial leaders are working hard to help people during this pandemic. Imagine you are a journalist. What three questions would you ask one of these leaders? Why? Consider sending your questions to that leader in a letter!