

## Learning Project WEEK 1 - My Family

Age Range: Y5/6

### Weekly Maths Tasks (Aim to do 1 per day)

- Working on [Times Table Rockstars](#). If your child works on [Numbots](#) in school, they can access this with the same login.
- Get a piece of paper and ask your child to show everything you know about addition and subtraction. This could be pictures, diagrams, explanations, methods etc. They can be as creative as they want to be.
- Play on [Hit the Button](#) - focus on times tables, division facts and squared numbers.
- Daily [arithmetic](#) sessions – focussing on digits values, partitioning and ordering. Your child should aim to work on level 4, 5 and 6 activities. Practise in your workbook don't print.
- Get your child to work on their [reasoning and problem solving](#) skills by practising these puzzles. There are lots to choose from and some are more challenging than others!
- [Daily Maths Lesson](#)
- The above site also has daily Maths lessons which can be accessed online.
- These are available for Y5 and for Y6.

### Weekly Reading Tasks (Aim to do 1 per day)

- Ask your child to read a chapter from their home reading book or a book that they have borrowed from the library.
- Following this, ask your child to summarise the events from the chapter. 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 paper or online dictionary.
- Challenge your child to read something around the house that isn't a book. They can then complete their reading diary following this.
- [Oxford Owl](#) (parents - sign up for a FREE account) and read a book that matches their book band / age group / reading level. After this, direct your child to review the text and justify their opinion with examples from the text.

## Weekly Spelling Tasks (Aim to do 1 per day)

- Your child can create a vocabulary bank about their family. They may want to use this for some of their writing tasks this week. Simply collect useful words that can aid spelling such as nephew, cousin etc.
- Spelling Shed – sign up for a free account – find appropriate spellings for your age group / ability.
- Get your child to proofread (check and correct by themselves) their writing from the day. They can use a dictionary to check the spelling of any words that they found challenging. This will also enable them to check that the meaning of the word is suitable for the sentence.
- Spelling practise:
  - Y5/6 words -cious or -tious
  - Either the Y5 or Y6 Twinkl spelling words that we would have followed in class.

-cious or -tious?	vicious
	conscious
	delicious
	malicious
	suspicious
	ambitious
	cautious
	fictitious
	infectious
	nutritious
	precious

Y5 Twinkl spellings -ify Changing nouns or adjectives into verbs!	amplify
	solidify
	signify
	falsify
	glorify
	notify
	testify
	purify
	intensify
	classify

Y6 Twinkl spellings -sign Word families based on common words	signature
	assign
	design
	designate
	significant
	resignation
	resign
	insignificant
	assignment
	signal

## Weekly Writing Tasks (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.

## Learning Project - to be done throughout the week

The project this week aims to provide opportunities for your child to gain a better understanding of their own family. Learning may focus on the different makeup of families, what traditions your family has, stories linked to your family etc.

- **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. Look at <https://www.tate.org.uk/kids> for ideas
- **Classification**- Ask your child to design a classification key based on the simple physical features to sort animals into families. Watch this short film on BBC Bitesize to help. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zn22pv4/articles/z3nbcwx>
- **Nature vs Nurture**- what is inheritance and what are genes? Sign up for Explorify <https://explorify.wellcome.ac.uk> and search for activities on evolution and inheritance. Try out “amazing adaptations” and “what if all humans looked the same?”
- **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.
- **Keeping fit** – make a week’s timetable for you or perhaps your whole family to help integrate exercise into your week. Try out <https://imoves.com/>

## Additional learning resources parents may wish to engage with

**Classroom Secrets Learning Packs** - These packs are split into different year groups and include activities linked to reading, writing, maths and practical ideas you can do around the home.

Sumdog – If your school has access to this resource

\* A daily Maths lesson from <https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/>

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