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A Caregiver Resource Toolkit

Here are some excellent resources and links to free activities and virtual tours, to engage and help everyone during this very difficult time.

The following link explains Covid-19 and when and why it may be necessary to self-isolate/change our schedules. While this was created for people with autism (plain language handouts, visual schedule for hand washing etc.), it is also helpful for many people having a difficult time understanding why we need to stay home — Supporting Individuals with Autism Through Uncertain Times.

You will also find useful resources through the following links:

Autism Research Institute - A multitude of valuable webinars and recordings.

<u>Coronavirus & Anxiety</u> – YouTube video from Dr. Jud Brewer, Director of Research and Innovation at the Mindfulness Center and associate professor in psychiatry at the School of Medicine at Brown University.

Virtual Tours:

Canadian sites:

Canada's Wonderland is offering free "virtual rollercoaster rides" Click here

The Government of Canada offers an aerial view of the Peace Tower, which is the dominant feature on Parliament Hill. Soar over the peace tower! <u>Click here</u>

Visit the House of Commons, the Prime Minister's office, and the Library of Parliament. Click on <u>Parliament</u> 360.

Canadian Museum of History virtual tour. Click here

The Royal Tyrrell Museum virtual tour. If you love dinosaurs ... Click here

FarmFood 360 – take virtual tours around various Canadian fruit, dairy and animal farms! Click here

US sites:

Disneyworld virtual tour https://ohmy.disney.com/news/2018/03/13/google-street-view-disney-parks-tour/ San Diego Zoo live cams https://zoo.sandiegozoo.org/live-cams

Yellowstone National Park live cams https://www.nps.gov/yell/learn/photosmultimedia/webcams.htm
MARS with the Curiosity Rover live https://www.space.com/watch-nasa-build-mars-2020-rover-livestream.html

Discovery Education Virtual Field Trips- https://www.discoveryeducation.com/community/virtual-field-trips/

Other international sites:

Tour NASA, Vatican museum, National Art Gallery, Toyota, etc. https://www.simplemost.com/museums-visit-online-virtual-tours/

The Louvre in Paris https://www.youvisit.com/tour/louvremuseum

Check out these fun and educational activity websites:

- www.switchzoo.com to learn about animals
- https://mycoloring-pages.com/adult-coloring-pages/stress-coloring-pages these are gorgeous and free!
- https://dltk-kids.com/ super website for printable crafts, coloring pages, worksheets and activities
- www.funbrain.com work on math/reading skills at different grad levels
- www.reading.ecb.org practice reading skills/play games
- <u>www.abcya.com</u> reading fun
- www.highlightskids.com lots of fun stuff to do and free printables
- www.timeforkids.com up to grade 6
- https://familyfriendlywork.org/ awesome graphics for colouring and dot-to-dot printables all ages
- www.sciencedaily.com current and quirky science news to learn about
- www.educationworld.com different activities available
- www.tweentribune.com
 by Smithsonian: experiments, activities, fun facts to explore, etc. (all ages)
- https://www.insider.com/best-broadway-shows-you-can-stream-for-free-online-coronavirus-2020-3 stream a free broadway musical
- https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSflNxNM0jzbZJjUqOcXkwhGTfii4CM CA3kCxImbY8c3AABEA/ viewform - Harry Potter online escape room
- https://www.tvomathify.com/students provides school-to-home math learning experience for all students.
- www.duolingo.com "the world's best way to learn a language"
- www.khanacademy.org non-profit free online math, reading all levels
- www.squigglepark.com reading skill building for all ages and levels
- <u>www.mysterydoug.com</u> cool weekly science videos from "Mystery Doug" make you think& ask questions!
- www.historyforkids.net history website for kids
- www.typingclub.com writing stuff