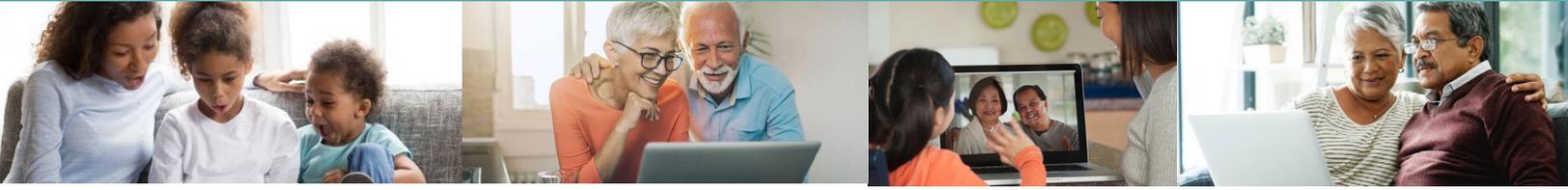


10 Terrific Tips & Tricks to connect with your grandkids



Being a grandparent can be one of the great joys of getting older. During the pandemic it is harder and harder to connect with our grandkids and to find ways to stay engaged in their lives when we can't see each other in person. BLC has put together a list of 10 activities you can do to stay involved and have fun with the whole family. The activity might be virtual, but the impact of spending time with grandkids is very real.

1

Use a teleconference app to check in with a child about their day. Help them with homework or have them read to you or you to them online.

2

Use old fashioned snail mail to send treats, care packages, notes, post cards, and letters. Become pen pals. Give your child a chance to practice writing skills.

3

Help your child create interview questions and then interview one or both grandparents.

4

Create a family newsletter – family stories, history etc. that could go out quarterly. This helps your grandchild learn interviewing & writing skills. For grandparents– a way to transfer family history to the next generation, and to learn new computer skills.

5

Play online games together. (pbskids, disney, HeadsUp, Pictionary, etc.) Classic board games from grandparents' childhood like Monopoly and LIFE are also popular.

6

Get families and multiple generations together for a scavenger hunt. A household can become a team, and someone can create a scavenger list that can be distributed to the teams. The winner could be the first child done, or the child with the most items.

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20 questions (or less) that your grandkid and grandparents can ask one other. This is a great way to start a conversation about values and family customs

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Decide on and work on an art project together online.

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Cook together LIVE on a video chat.

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Step in and become a specialist in one of your child's daytime remote classes.