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Welcome to this “living” document-- it is my attempt at keeping up with ALL of the amazing resources being shared as we face tidal wave effects from COVID-19. As I continue to curate this document, I will be adding new links directly under the titles so you will see new content first.

Thank you! ~Kerry

*Newest additions:

Podcasts for Teens, Middle Schoolers, Pre-Schoolers and Families	
Children's book created to help kids process COVID-19	
Writing Prompt- Invent a Sport that Can Be Played with Social Distance!	10 Free Classroom activities for your Distant Learning Classroom - SO many great ideas to engage all kids!
Pebble Go Bingo cards! A fun way to use Pebble Go... preK-3 kids love!	Introducing Harry Potter at Home - different resources offered for fans including a HUB for all new activities about Harry Potter books!
6:00–9:00 p.m. -- Josh Gad (voice of Olaf from Frozen) will virtually read a picture book as a bedtime story (Twitter @JoshGad)	This Principal's List of Things to Do During COVID Closures Is Going Viral for All the Right Reasons
Common Sense Media's compilation of free online events & activities for kids at home	
Harry Potter themed digital escape room	Jarrett Krosoczka- 4 Drawing games to get your kids off screens

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<p>Kellyyang.com Please tell your students to join me every M/W/F on my Instagram Live (https://www.instagram.com/kellyyanghk/) from 12:00pm-12:30pm PST/ 3:00pm - 3:30pm EST. My free online class is suitable for tweens and teens.</p>	<p>“Healthy You” resources for teens- numerous topics such as: Mindfulness, Coping Skills, Vaping and Substance Use/Abuse, Mental Health, Gender Identity (from Tri County Library)</p>
<p>Listen to read aloud of Wonder-- Follow RJ Palacio (author of Wonder) on Twitter (@RJPalacio) for more info...</p>	<p>More authors reading books/ activities & resources: We are Teachers</p>
<p>Laurie Halse Anderson is reading Fever 1793 aloud.</p>	<p>Cece Bell reads El Deafo!</p>

Highlights worth mentioning:

<p>"Nothing Can Stop Her"- amazing story from Scholastic with connections to other videos/ craft ideas & extensions... so inspiring!</p>	<p>Take a virtual video field trip to the American Revolution with Lauren Tarshis, author of the best-selling "I Survived" book series. Click the link for more resources, including a free article for your age range!</p>
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General- applies to all

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<p>internetessentials.com/covid19- Thank you Comcast ~taking immediate steps to help connect more low-income families to the Internet at home. Effective Monday, March 16, 2020, anyone who signs up for Internet Essentials will receive 2 free months of Internet service.</p>	
<p>GIANT LIST OF IDEAS FOR BEING HOME WITH KIDS <i>actual quarantine, school closures, weekend social distancing, anytime!</i> Thanks to the Princess Awesome & Boy Wonder Community for the amazing suggestions!!</p>	
<p>20 Screen-Free things to do with your kids- The coronavirus pandemic has closed schools worldwide. Most schools are catering for home learning so that children can continue with their education despite the necessary measures. Let's take these difficult times as they come and try to focus on the positive rather than negative. Spending time at home allows you to spend some quality time with your children, which you may not have otherwise been able to have.</p>	<p>Pebble Go/ Capstone- (free access) PebbleGo is a curricular content hub specifically designed for K-3 students. Packed with informational articles, ready-made activities, and literacy supports for students of all abilities, it boosts engagement and fosters independent learning in core subject areas. Your students will love exploring PebbleGo time and time again.</p>
<p>PBS Learning Media- WGBH and PBS have curated FREE, standards-aligned videos, interactives, lesson plans, and more just for Massachusetts teachers like you.</p>	<p>Wonderopolis Explore. Imagine. Laugh. Share. Create. Learn. Smile. Grow.</p>

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Newsela - Whether your school is teaching through a closure or building plans to prepare, we're here to help you ensure that learning doesn't stop. We're offering free access to Newsela's entire product suite for the rest of the 2019/2020 school year.	Specials Bingo Board - (activities for music, art, theatre, PE, health, etc.)
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Coronavirus/ COVID-19 specific (for kids)

Just for Kids- a Comic Exploring the New Coronavirus - Kids, this comic is for you. It's based on a radio story that NPR education reporter Cory Turner did. He asked some experts what kids might want to know about the new coronavirus discovered in China.	Speaking Up Against Racism Around the New Coronavirus The spread of the new coronavirus has become racialized, so it's critical that educators understand the historical context and confront racist tropes and xenophobia from students and colleagues. (Teaching Tolerance)
PBS Kids - How to talk to your kids about Coronavirus	

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Virtual Field Trips

Over 30 Virtual Field Trips - includes San Diego Zoo, Yellowstone, Mars, The Louvre, SO many awesome places!!	33 National Parks - Touring the National Parks through Google Earth
New England Aquarium - Features a new adventure each day-- and has links for former adventures	
Boston- virtual tours Virtual Activities: Tours of Cool Places; Games, Learning & More: Social Distancing Activities <i>Places you can visit online to see animals and wonders of the world</i>	

READING/ WRITING/ ELA

"With so many children now at home for school, please let them read what they want--whether that's comics, graphic novels, picture books, books "below their reading level," or the same book they've read 100 times. Let them read what they want. They need it right now (and always)." (Dusti Bowling, author)

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Harry Potter themed digital escape room	TIME FOR KIDS DIGITAL LIBRARY FREE FOR THE REST OF THE SCHOOL YEAR
Boston Public Library account -Access ebooks/ audiobooks- like Libby/ OverDrive from your local library (& SORA if your school library has access). If not, everyone from MA can open.	Reading without Walls - Reading challenge-- try the challenge created by Gene Luen Yang!
Kid Lit TV - Celebrating #childrensbooks and #reading through original videos, podcasts & #kidliterafts. ALA BEST WEBSITE FOR KIDS.	Scholastic Learn at Home 20 Days of Learning, Reading, and Inspiration Teachers! Our beautiful FREE Scholastic Learn at Home hub is up! Day by day learning journeys across the content areas for your kids to do at home, on their own, with fams or teachers.
Welcome to Story Preservation Initiative! - Story Preservation believes in the importance of sharing ideas and the transformative power of story. Story Preservation is an educational nonprofit organization that has successfully created a new and unusual approach to student engagement, literacy, and experiential learning for students in grades K-12. We are a free online resource, available to students, teachers, and learners everywhere.	Create your own "I Survived" book (shared by Emily Fletcher on Teach with Tech Facebook page)

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<p>Read, Wonder, & Learn- Author, Kate Messner, has created this resource (which grows by the minute) of "include everything from first-chapter and picture book read-alouds (shared with permission from publishers!) to drawing and writing mini-lessons." Be sure to check back often, as new resources will be added every day. This is a library of resources for kids, families, teachers, and librarians to make sure that reading & learning can happen anywhere this spring. Some of you may be out of school as communities try to prevent the spread of a virus known as COVID-19.</p>	<p>Kelly Gallagher's resources for Reading/ Writing instruction Author & teacher... easily adapt for any grade level</p>
<p>Authors Everywhere This is a YouTube Channel created and run by children's book writers and illustrators</p>	<p>Curated list of authors includes websites/ YouTube channels, and schedules</p>

Authors

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<p>Jerry Pallotta YouTube channel Author of <i>Who Would Win?</i> series</p>	<p>Jarrett J. Krosoczka—author & illustrator Draw every day with JJK, starts 3/16/2020 Gina and I are transitioning to homeschooling. We need to keep the kids on a schedule, and we are imagining we are far from alone. We want to help. Every weekday at 2pm ET for at least the next few weeks, I'll host free webcasts for you and your kiddos. Fun activities on JJK's site-- open ended creativity!</p>
<p>Story March The Greater Boston Illustrators' Group dreamed up #StoryMarch as the Covid-19 pandemic took over the daily lives of everyone we know. As schools and offices close and people are stuck at home without their usual activities and diversions, we hope that #StoryMarch might be a fun way for all artists of every age to stretch themselves a little and have fun.</p>	<p>Pernille Ripp's blog post - list of authors with copyright permissions</p>
<p>Books to Enjoy (We are ONE world!) - amazing Padlet with books/ read alouds sorted in every category you can think of!</p>	
<p>Author, Jarrett Lerner 4 Drawing Games to get your kids off screens</p>	<p>Author, Lauren Tarshis reads excerpts from <i>I Survived</i> series (middle grade)</p>

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<p>Lunch Doodles with Mo Willems</p>	<p>Matt de la Peña writes to students each day on his website (“Dear Stuck at Home Student”)and responds to emails as much as possible- hellomattdelapena@gmail.com (all grade levels)</p>
<p>Chris Tebetts instructional video "Good Story Beginnings" grades 4-7. Author, Chris Tebetts-- "Here's my first shot at a writing workshop video as part of the new remote-learning outreach effort going on. This one is all about creating good story beginnings (good for grades 4-7, I'd say; full activity is 30-45 minutes)."</p>	<p>Stacy McAnulty, middle grade author- Stacy McAnulty, middle grade author-World Ends in April Video (grades 4-7) Did you know I have activity sheets on my website? Did you know I have teacher guides? All are ready to be downloaded. Activity Pages and CurriculumGuides If you have a reader who would like to send me mail, I will write back (and include a bookmark or sticker). Letters can be sent to: Stacy McAnulty, P.O. Box 1644, Kernersville, NC 27285</p>
<p>Author, Dusti Bowling- Hi, friends! I've put up several videos on my website, including read alouds and informational videos about our desert animals and pets. Check it out! (middle grade). Email Dusti-- she is offering to send a short book she wrote about Connor and Aven. dustibowlingbooks@gmail.com</p>	

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Ben Clanton author, (Narwhal and Jelly)	
Jacqueline Woodson Jacqueline Woodson writes books for ALL age levels... master storyteller!	

Wellness- Health/ SEL/ PE/ Mindfulness

Classroom Champions - Connect your students with the power of an Olympic and Paralympic sport athlete while bringing social and emotional skills to life in the classroom! Teachers (and parents), we're here for you through this time of uncertainty. Through donated support, we're offering our SEL Foundations Curriculum for FREE during this tough time.	“Healthy You” resources for teens - numerous topics such as: Mindfulness, Coping Skills, Vaping and Substance Use/Abuse, Mental Health, Gender Identity (from Tri County Library)
Awesome PE teacher, Stefanie Rothschild, shared these resources with a ton of physical activity options that	Go Noodle! - for Brain breaks that every kid will love

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include fun visuals! She also has this great YouTube channel for fun activities!	
High School Wellness Activity Calendar	Physical Activity Log (from NIH, direct link)
Middle School Wellness Calendar	4th & 5th grade Wellness At Home
2nd and 3rd Grade Wellness At Home	Cosmic Kids Yoga - Yoga, mindfulness and relaxation designed specially for kids aged 3+, used in schools and homes all over the world.
CALM app for mindfulness	Headspace - mindfulness

ART

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Google Arts & Culture	The Art Assignment - is a video series that introduces you to innovative artists, presents you with assignments, and explores art history through the lens of the present.
Art teacher streams live classes - as seen on Good Morning America!	

Museum tours: *(Some content may need parental guidance for younger kiddos)*

- The Louvre (France): <https://www.louvre.fr/en/visites-en-ligne#tabs>
- Smithsonian – Natural History (DC): <https://naturalhistory.si.edu/visit/virtual-tour>
- The MET (New York): <https://artsandculture.google.com/partner/the-metropolitan-museum-of-art>
- Dali Theatre Museum (Spain):
<https://www.salvador-dali.org/en/museums/dali-theatre-museum-in-figueres/visita-virtual/>
- NASA Space Center (Texas): <https://www.nasa.gov/content/goddard/hubble-360-degree-virtual-tour>
- Vatican (Italy):
<http://www.museivaticani.va/content/museivaticani/en/collezioni/musei/tour-virtuali-elenco.html>
- Women’s History Museum (Virginia): <https://www.womenshistory.org/womens-history/online-exhibits>

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- o Google Arts and Culture Museum List: <https://artsandculture.google.com/partner?hl=en>

Technology

http://www.amazingeducationalresources.com/ - Education Companies Offering Free Subscriptions due to School Closings (Updated) : Amazing Educational Resources	EdTech companies offering FREE support and/or access to schools affected by COVID-19 closures.
Remote Learning Resources, Subscriptions, and Platforms	Quick Navigation: 50 Elearning Activities, Templates and Tutorials from “Ditch that Textbook”
Be Internet Awesome- Google's Digital Safety Resources	
Eyeo Festival Ignite Talks - over 400 talks from 9 years & up of Eyeo & INSTINT online. A massive heap of wisdom and inspiration from some of the best artists & thinkers on the planet. The annual Eyeo Festival brings together creative coders, data designers and creators working at the	

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intersection of data, art & technology for inspiring talks, workshops, labs and events.	
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Social Studies/ Social Justice

JFK Library- Curricular Resources	These resources will support you while you inspire kids to make a difference in the world!
Teaching Tolerance	The best resources for social justice!
The World's Largest Lesson	Introduce the Sustainable Development Goals to children and young people everywhere and unite them in action. 17 Global Goals to achieve these 3 extraordinary things by 2030. There are comics and animated films on our website too - all with a Global Goals theme to help children keep focussed on the wider world out there.

SCIENCE/ STEM/ STEAM

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Mystery Science	Spring STEAM Bingo Challenge
Daily STEM resources	

PODCASTS for kids

Schools Out, Kids Podcasts Are In	Best Podcasts for Kids - There are limits to how long any child can stand being stuck indoors, but those limits can be extended with some good entertainment.
National Geographic Kids have some great recommended podcasts for children - Greeking Out and Brains On! which may help with restlessness.	Rebel Girls - Listen to these folktales and stories that will engage your mind and entertain you. If you have a printer, click on the print option so you can color the illustration. If not, grab a piece of paper and show off your artistic creativity, or jot down your thoughts and ideas as you listen to the podcast. Enjoy!
Wow in the World - Hosts Mindy Thomas and Guy Raz guide curious kids and their grown-ups on a journey into the wonders of the world around them. We'll go inside our brains, out into	Circle Round Podcasts - Listen to these folktales and stories that will engage your mind and entertain you. If you have a printer, click on the print option so you can color the illustration. If not,

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space and deep into the coolest new stories in science and technology. Visit the website and check out the cool links after listening to the episode! (NPR)	grab a piece of paper and show off your artistic creativity, or jot down your thoughts and ideas as you listen to the podcast. Enjoy!
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SCHEDULE ideas

For older kids- Home activities- color the ones you complete! (created by @magicmuinteoir)	Have kids fill out a daily schedule-- add reflections in about each activity and a goal for tomorrow... example

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Today, I have done something for:

MY BRAIN
Read a Book Play a Math Game, Write a Story, Study the World Map

MY BODY
Yoga, Dance, Sit Ups, Push Ups, Wall Sits!

MY HOME
Clean Up, Scrub Something, Create Something, Put Away Laundry

MY CREATIVITY
Draw, Paint, Build, Cook, Sketch, Make a Play, Sing a Song, Play an Instrument

MY EARTH
Water Plants, Pick Up Litter, Observe Nature

MY FAMILY OR FRIENDS
Make a Gift, Write a Letter, Do a Good Deed, Make a Phone Call, Help with Something

Card Games

Dance Party

Board Games

Art Project

Movie

Jam Session

Declutter & Donate

Baking

Yoga

Puzzles

Acts of Kindness

Daily Schedule

WAKE UP
FREE PLAY
BREAKFAST
ART AND MUSIC
STORIES AND SNACK
WRITING OR MATH FACTS
LUNCH
OUTDOOR PLAY
SCREENTIME
SNACK
READING
DANCE PARTY OR YOGA
DINNER
BATH
BEDTIME

Non-screen activities you can do at home

What can you do when there's no school and you're stuck at home? Here are 25 fun ideas to choose from.

25 Ideas!

- How many different words can you make from the letters in this sentence, below? Grab a pencil and a paper and write it out!
- Thank a community hero. Think of someone that helps you in some way and write a short letter to thank them.
- Get building! You could build a Lego model, tower of playing cards or something. Or, a stool!
- Can you create your own secret code? You could use letters, numbers, pictures or something else! Can you get someone else to try and crack it?
- Start a nature diary. Look out of the window each day and keep note of what you see. Birds, flowers, changes in the weather, what else?
- Hold a photo session. Use a camera or a mobile phone to take some snaps. What will you photograph? Your pets or toys perhaps?
- Build a reading den. Find somewhere cosy, snuggle up and read your favourite book!
- Use an old sock den. Find an old sock and use it to make a puppet. Can you put on a puppet show for someone?
- Use a list of all the electrical items in each room of your home. Can you come up with any ideas to use less electricity?
- Design and make a homemade board game and play it with your family.
- Do something kind for someone. Can you give them a compliment, make them something or help them with a task?
- Can you create a story bag? Find a bag and collect items to go in it that make up a well-known story. If you can't find an item, you could draw a picture to include.
- List making! Write a list of things that make you happy, things you're grateful for or things you are good at.
- Design and make an obstacle course at home or in the garden. How fast can you complete it?
- Can you invent something new? Perhaps a gadget or something to help yourself? Draw a picture or write a description.
- Keep moving! Make up a dance routine to your favourite song.
- Write a play script. Can you act it out to other people?
- Read out loud to someone. Remember to read with expression.
- Write a song or rap about your favourite subject.
- Get sketching! Find a photograph or picture of a person, place or object and sketch it.
- Link modelling! Collect and recycle materials, such as paperclips, toilet rolls and boxes and see what you can create with them.
- Draw a map of your local area and highlight interesting landmarks.
- Write a postcard to your teacher. Can you tell them what you like most about their class?
- Draw a view. Look out of your window and draw what you see.
- Get reading! Look out of your window and see what you can find out more about in a book? Can you find a new hobby?

Pobble.com - More writing. More progress.

[30 Day Lego Challenge](#)
[31 Day Lego Challenge](#)

30 Day LEGO Challenge

Follow the instructions for each day. The only rule is to have fun and use your imagination!

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4
Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8
Day 9	Day 10	Day 11	Day 12
Day 13	Day 14	Day 15	Day 16
Day 17	Day 18	Day 19	Day 20
Day 21	Day 22	Day 23	Day 24
Day 25	Day 26	Day 27	Day 28
Day 29	Day 30	Day 31	Day 32

What was your favourite day?

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Assignment/ Homework ideas

Create a playlist on YouTube-- to accompany a book you are reading (soundtrack)	
"Bring your pet to school day" (idea from Tricia Ebarvia)	
Keep an everyday journal	

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