

Ideas for Your First Few Days of Homeschooling

Here are some ideas of things to do while you are waiting to have your first appointment with your consultant:

Day 1

- ☐ Familiarize yourself with the Ocean Alternative [website](#)
- ☐ Pick up a computer, if you need to borrow one - 11 am to 2 pm
- ☐ Writing: Write a letter to your new teacher (parents can help with writing) introducing yourself and answering any of the following:
 - ☐ What do you like to learn about? School subjects and anything else?
 - ☐ What are some skills you would like to improve on?
 - ☐ What are some concepts you struggle with?
 - ☐ How do you feel about school and learning?
 - ☐ What are some goals you have for this semester?
 - ☐ What are you looking forward to this semester?
- ☐ Reading: Read for 30 min - book/story of choice - together or individually
- ☐ Math - Look at the [Math](#) Progressions with a parent. Note items that you know and areas to work on. You will be able to ask your teacher questions at your meeting.
- ☐ Social Studies: Discuss how your home studies will look for you day by day/weekly/etc. For ideas, read [this blog post](#) from Julie Bogart. Find a place for paper, pencils, art supplies, etc. that is easy for both parent and child to access.

Day 2

- ☐ Pick up a computer, if you need to borrow one - 11 am to 2 pm
- ☐ Writing: Continue writing your introduction to your consultant/teacher - bring to your first meeting
- ☐ Reading: Look at the [Reading](#) Progressions with a parent. Note items that you know and areas to work on. You will be able to ask your teacher questions at your meeting.
- ☐ Math: Practice recent math skills or if you don't have a math book yet, check out [Khan Academy](#)
- ☐ Science: Go outside and observe or research a science topic of interest. Remember to record your observations and findings.
- ☐ Art: Draw a picture, play or sing a song

Day 3

- ☐ Pick up a computer, if you need to borrow one - 11 am to 2 pm
- ☐ Writing: Finish writing your introduction to your consultant/teacher. Read the letter out loud and edit punctuation, grammar and spelling. - bring to your first meeting, Look at the [Writing](#) Progressions with a parent. Note items that you know and areas to work on. You will be able to ask your teacher questions at your meeting.
- ☐ Reading: Take advantage of being a homeschooler, when you read for 30 min today, go to the park, the beach, or even your backyard!
- ☐ Math: Play a game that involves calculation or strategy
- ☐ Social Studies: Interview a family member about their school memories.

Need More Ideas?

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