

# JULY 2024

# Transportation

## Activity Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>Favorite Songs</b></p> 	<p>1 "The wheels on the bus go round and round, round and round, round and round. The wheels on the bus go round and round, all through the town!"</p>	<p>2 "Zoom, zoom, zoom. We're going to the moon. Zoom, zoom, zoom. We're going really soon. In 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 Blast-off!"</p>	<p>3 "Down by the station, early in the morning. See the little engines all in a row? The man inside the engine turns a little handle. Poof, poof, poof! Off we go!"</p>	<p>4</p> <p><b>ACTIVITY PAGE</b></p> <p><b>Things That Go!</b></p>	<p>5 "Row, row, row your boat. Gently down the stream. Merrily, merrily, merrily, life is but a dream!"</p>	<p>6 <b>Weekend Wrap-Up</b></p> <p>Sing all of the songs you've learned about different types of transportation!</p>
<p>7</p> <p><b>By Land</b></p> 	<p>8 Let your child use blue painter's tape to make roadways on a floor in your home. Tape down some paper towel rolls to create tunnels and let them drive small Matchbox cars all over town!</p>	<p>9 Cover a sheet pan with white paper. Squirt blobs of different color paint on the paper. Let your child run matchbox cars through the paint to create a beautiful piece of "car art!"</p>	<p>10 Use blue tape to create parking spaces on the floor. Cut the tape into small pieces and put a different number of pieces in each space. Have your child "park" that many toy cars in each space!</p>	<p>11</p> <p><b>ACTIVITY PAGE</b></p> <p>"Hamper Races"</p>	<p>12 Have your child color the outside border of a paper plate black to make a steering wheel. Then, ask them to sit on their bottom, and using only their legs to move their body, they race to the finish line!</p>	<p>13 <b>Weekend Wrap-Up</b></p> <p>Read and repeat any of the activities you did this week about how we travel on land!</p>
<p>14</p> <p><b>By Sea</b></p> 	<p>15 Cut an apple into quarters. Slice a piece of cheese into 4 triangles. Place a pretzel stick into an apple quarter and wrap a piece of cheese on the pretzel stick for a sail!</p>	<p>16 Lay out beach towels and pretend they are surfboards. Have your child stand on one foot or bend on one knee and tell them if they come off the "surfboard," they fall in the water!</p>	<p>17 Help your child fill plastic water bottles with various items: rocks, feathers, leaves, pieces of playdough, etc., and see which "boats" sink and which ones float!</p>	<p>18</p> <p><b>ACTIVITY PAGE</b></p> <p>"Boat Bag"</p>	<p>19 It's time for a bath! Your children will come running if the bathtub is full of bubbles and boats! Help your child get the boats through rocky waters while they are cleaning up from their day!</p>	<p>20 <b>Weekend Wrap-Up</b></p> <p>Read and repeat any of the activities you did this week about how we travel by sea!</p>
<p>21</p> <p><b>By Air</b></p> 	<p>22 Fill a sensory bin with cotton balls (clouds) and hide plastic airplanes in the clouds. Ask your child to find as many airplanes as they can in a given period of time!!</p>	<p>23 Use the same plastic airplanes from yesterday to practice counting, sorting by colors, adding, and subtracting!</p>	<p>24 Arms out and ready for take-off! When you say fly, your child runs! When you say wind, your child spins! When you say land, your child falls to the ground!</p>	<p>25</p> <p><b>ACTIVITY PAGE</b></p> <p>"Hot Air Balloon"</p>	<p>26 Try hot-air balloon breathing when your child is having a meltdown. Big breath in until your balloon is full, and big breath out to bring your balloon back to the ground!</p>	<p>27 <b>Weekend Wrap-Up</b></p> <p>Read and repeat any of the activities you did this week about how we travel by air!</p>
<p>28</p> <p><b>Travel Snacks</b></p> 	<p>29 Spread a rectangular piece of graham cracker with Nutella. Add a slice of strawberry, banana, and kiwi to make a healthy traffic light!</p>	<p>30 Look in your pantry and bring out the leftover cheerios, pretzels, raisins... whatever you have just a <i>little</i> bit left of, and let your child make a trail mix to take on a car ride.</p>	<p>31 A cheese stick with butter cracker wheels makes a pretty good train... snack! Add some gummy bears for passengers!</p>	<p><b>Character Word: Perseverance- continued effort to do or achieve something despite difficulties, failure, or opposition.</b></p> <p><b>Calendar created by: Dr. Pamela B Connor, Educational Trainer and Consultant</b></p> <p><b>Calendar translated by: Manuela Rodriguez</b></p>		



## **Things That Go**

**by Stephan Lomp**

There are so many ways to travel and this book will show your children all the different types of transportation. After reading the book, create a graph on a piece of paper or posterboard. Create 4 columns with a picture of a car (land), an airplane (air), a boat (water), and a dump truck (work vehicles) at the top of each column. Every day, you and your child should call out whenever you see any type of transportation and make note of it. When you get home, add marks to each column to keep a running tab of how many of each type of transportation you see each day!





## Hamper Races

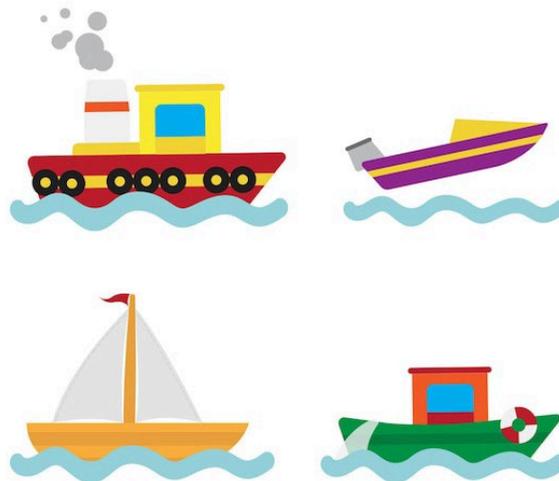
On your mark, get set, go! Grab some laundry hampers and have your own car race. Make sure you have a finish line and you will need a driver and pusher for each car. If it is just you and your child, then you push and set a timer to see how fast you make it to the finish line. You can also put your child's favorite stuffed animals in the hampers and both of you can push. To make this even more fun, let your child decorate their race car with whatever materials you have around the house that could be threaded through the holes in the hamper: ribbons, pillowcases, small blankets.





## Boat Bag

How can your child play with boats without even getting wet? Pour a bottle of hair gel and blue food-dye into a Ziploc bag. Drop in a few small boat, jet ski, surfboard or any type of water transportation erasers or stickers into the bag. Seal the bag and use packing tape around the opening to make sure the bag is securely closed. Now, your child can use their fingers to squish the bag and move the boats, surfboards and other water vehicles through the water, staying dry the whole time!





## Hot Air Balloon

This is a great way for you to show your child how a hot air balloon travels. You will need: a small plastic bottle, 1 tablespoon of sugar, water, 1 packet of yeast, and one small round balloon. First, put the sugar in the bottle and fill the bottle 1/3 of the way with water. Then, add the packet of yeast and lightly shake until mixed. Cover the bottle with a balloon and check on the bottle over the next ½ hour. The yeast will consume the sugar and create carbon dioxide which will fill the balloon and make it rise!

\*Remember to keep balloons away from young children.

