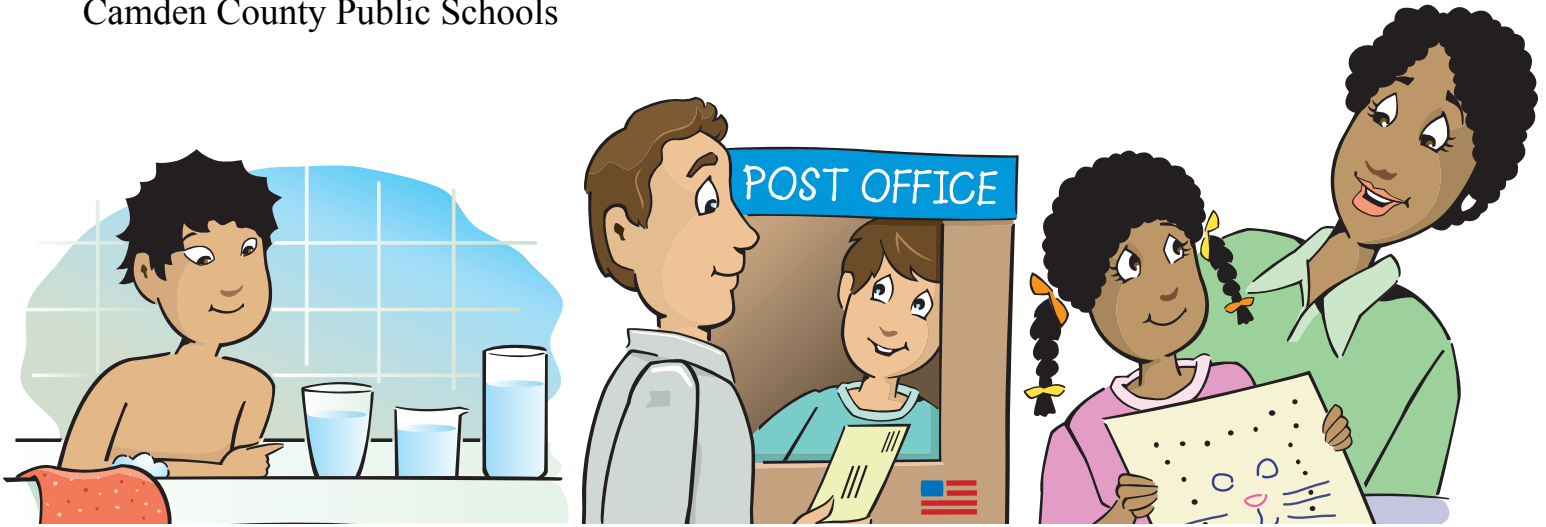


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make the difference!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Read a story to your child. Later ask him to retell it to you from memory.	2 Tell your child we learn when we try new things. Today, try a new food or take a new route home.	3 Celebrate your child's favorite color. Wear it today. Serve food that color. Look for it wherever you go.	4 Put as many shoes as you can find into a pile. Mix them up. Encourage your child to sort them into pairs.	5 Cut out pairs of pictures (two dogs, two cats, etc.). Paste on index cards. Place face down. Match the pairs.	6 Open a fruit that has seeds inside, such as an orange. Explain that fruit grows from seeds.	7 Line up chairs like a train. Ask your child to crawl <i>under</i> them, <i>around</i> them and <i>on</i> them.
8 Insert four toothpicks horizontally into a potato and set it on a glass of water. It should sprout in two weeks.	9 Read the comics to your child. Preschoolers especially love the ones with sound words like "thunk!"	10 Let your child help set the table for dinner. Practice counting out forks, plates or cups together.	11 Ask your child to tell you about the nicest thing a friend has ever done for her.	12 Take your child to a baseball game. It can be Little League or Major League. Practice counting pitches.	13 Show your child the change from your pocket. Can he identify coins by name? Talk about the size and color.	14 Look through your child's baby book together. Let her know you love her more every year.
15 Make a book about your child. Have him make handprints and footprints with paint.	16 Have your child draw a picture for the author of a book. Send it to the author in care of the book's publisher!	17 Ask your child if he ever had a dream that really scared him? What was it about?	18 Look at a tree in your neighborhood. Talk about how it has changed in the last few weeks.	19 Let your child help with a household chore today. Remember to thank him when he finishes.	20 Stand facing your child. Have her pretend to be a mirror and imitate all your movements. Trade places.	21 Ask your child to draw something that makes him happy.
22 Help your child do something nice for someone else today.	23 Together, count your child's fingers and toes.	24 Show your child a picture of a rainbow. Can your child name the colors?	25 Teach your child the concepts of <i>up</i> and <i>down</i> . Ride an escalator or an elevator today.	26 Make it a point to use five new words at the dinner table tonight.	27 As your child gets ready to go out on the next rainy day, help her name rain gear items, such as "umbrella."	28 Teach your child the names of flowers. He will remember them after he has heard them several times.
29 Take a walk with your child. Notice buds on trees and shrubs. Watch them open during the coming days.	30 Review safety rules for car trips, such as wearing a seat belt and keeping arms inside the car.	<h1>April 2012</h1>				