

KidEx Do-It-Yourself National Challenge 2020

Activity description and self-learning manual

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Activity 26: Record a video of child describing a funny incident

3-6 years

Creativity & imagination



Guide the child to pick any favourite funny story / incident of their choice

- 5 to 6 years: 60 seconds long
- 4 years: 30 seconds long
- 3 years: 15 seconds long

Narrate the story or incident

Record the video & submit the entry as per guidelines in manual

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Skill development milestone

Children this age begin to create with intention — purposefully drawing a monster or a flower. By the time they are 5, many children add details and annotate with words and narrated stories. They can also listen to details and retell a story. Child listens attentively to age-appropriate stories. Child makes relevant comments during stories, especially those that relate to home and family events. The child enjoys stories with riddles, guessing, and "suspense."

With these newfound representational abilities, children's imaginations become boundless! They love pretend games and have a natural tendency to fantasize, experiment, and explore. They are fascinated with magic and struggle to distinguish between fantasy and reality. However, their creative drive ignites a desire to learn and supports intellectual development across all subjects. Thus, it is the perfect time to support the development of divergent thinking—where children generate unique solutions and make new connections without being tied to "the" one right answer or way of doing things (convergent thinking). Supporting divergent thinking means providing activities that allow for child appropriate inquiry, reflection, wondering, curiosity, and even supported confusion. Divergent thinking, and hence creativity and creative problem solving, are more than art — it is thinking, predicting, imagining, and creating.

The children are said to be at the pre-schematic stage. This stage is typical of children between the ages of 2 to 4.

Drawings become more complex, although they are usually unrealistic. Children will tend to use their favorite colors, rather than represent objects in accurate colors. Drawings of people are quite simple with few features. Objects in drawings float in space. They are not anchored. "Tadpole figure people" are drawn with a large head on a small body with extended arms. Interior and exteriors are shown at the same time.

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They also play make-believe with toys, people and animals. Their games may incorporate puppets, animal figures, tool sets or doctor kits, vehicles, people, blocks and dress up clothes (can be a towel that becomes a skirt!), clay, play dough, pipe cleaners, paints, chalk, a variety of writing utensils. They can play board or card games now. They interact with and learn about the world through play activities.

Activity description

The child is required to record a 30-seconds long video of self where the child is describing a funny incident or sharing a few jokes.

The child can narrate any of the incidents that the child might have observed, imagined, or experienced himself/herself. Or the child can pick a favorite act from a cartoon movie or a story book.

Let the child do this as a funny exercise for a few days & when the child is confident to submit his/her entry, record a 30-seconds performance video of the child & submit as per the guidelines.

You may share the video with family (1st circle), relatives & close friends (2nd circle) or acquaintances (3rd circle) as desired by you. Or post the videos on social media (public), if you wish, with the hash tag #KidExDIYChallenge or #KidExDIYNationalChallenge.

Submission guidelines

1. Keep the total file size less than 20 MB
 - a. Higher resolution camera creates large size video files
 - b. Android users can install & use Camera MX player to record smaller size video files
 - i. Camera MX player can be downloaded from [here](#)
 - c. Iphone users should change resolution setting by going to Settings -> Camera & selecting lowest resolution from "Record Video" option
2. You can upload the video file at <https://www.kid-ex.com/diy-nc>
3. Kindly ensure you have registered for the event for us to assess the submission. If not registered, please visit <https://www.kid-ex.com/diy-reg> to register.

Self-learning manual

Common mistake and things to keep in mind in this activity are:

1. The child lacks confidence & is critical of oneself
2. The child tries to extempore a funny story narration
3. The child's comic timing needs improvement
4. The child's voice modulation needs experimentation
5. The child cannot improvise on performance if the audience is not engaging

A few articles to read to guide the kid's thought process for delivering funny story narration can be found here:

1. [Article 1](#)
2. [Article 2](#)

Key benefits of this exercise are:

- Improves self-confidence
- Improves communication skills
- Improves thinking-on-the-feet
- Improves creativity
- Makes you mentally stronger & improves ability to handle failures/disappointments

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Entry evaluation guidelines

The maximum point for this activity is 30. Every entry would be rated as either:

1. Master (M): 100% score
 - a. The child delivered an engaging 30 seconds stand up comedy performance
2. Intermediate (I): 80% score
 - a. The child delivered an engaging 20 seconds stand up comedy performance
3. Beginner (B): 50% score
 - a. The child delivered an engaging 10 seconds stand up comedy performance
4. Not applicable (NA): 0% score
 - a. All other submission cases
 - b. No submission.

For any queries, you may Whatsapp us at +91-7303755886 or email us at info@kid-ex.com.

About KidEx

KidEx is a company founded by Kapish Saraf & Amritanshu Kumar (IIT Kharagpur & IIM Calcutta alumni). KidEx aims to create a platform to enable holistic & comprehensive development of every child by partnering with their parents in a logistically convenient manner for the parents. KidEx offers multiple extra-curricular activity classes for kids in physical & digital form (basis screen time guidelines) to enable child's holistic development.

Live Classes

Cognitive Development	Physical Development	Language & Communication	Creativity & Imagination
✓ Chess	✓ Yoga	✓ English	✓ Guitar
✓ Science (Class 8 to 10)	✓ Bolly-fitness	✓ Mandarin	✓ Film-Making
✓ Chemistry (Class 11 & 12)		✓ French	✓ Fine Arts (Sketching / Painting)
		✓ German	
		✓ Spanish	

Note: Upcoming classes include Academics, Robotics, Coding, Dramatics, multiple Dance & Music, Social Etiquette etc.

Should you be interested in undertaking any of the classes or knowing more about our offerings, kindly reach out to us at +91-7303755886 (call / WhatsApp) or email us at info@kid-ex.com

KidEx will offer all learning solutions to parents under one umbrella. KidEx would soon launch a suite of digital products aimed at making child-raising easier & more fun for parents.

About KidEx Do-It-Yourself National Challenge

The event is an effort to spread awareness regarding **need for all rounded development of the child**. This is also, designed keeping in mind the current external scenarios where lockdown/no lockdown, social distancing practices would continue & schools/colleges

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might be shut for a few months which would require parents to find non-screen time learning opportunities for the child while demanding lesser time for parents allowing them some breathing space for themselves.

The event is open to all Indian citizens in India or abroad across age groups of 3 to 17 years. Basis the submitted entries, for every age, a leader board would be created & declared.

You may share your entries (video/images) with family (1st circle), relatives & close friends (2nd circle) or acquaintances (3rd circle) as desired by you. Or post the videos on social media (public), if you wish, with the hash tag **#KidExDIYChallenge** or **#KidExDIYNationalChallenge**.

Prizes & certificates

We will conduct two versions of the event for all interested parents. Parents can decide whether they want their child to participate in the paid version or the free version of the event. Entry charge for paid version of the event is INR 500 for every child.

Paid version participants would be eligible for:

1. Prizes for winners across all age category
 - a. Number of winners linked to number of paid version participants
 - b. 50% of registration fees to be distributed as prize to winners
2. Winner & participation certificates
3. Assessment score for every submitted entry & leader board position summary

Free version participants would be eligible for:

1. Assessment score for every submitted entry

Even participants interested in paid version would be required to pay the amount after 7th May allowing them opportunity to participate first & then, decide.

Important notes:

1. Re-submission: KidEx will provide weekly status on Tuesday / Wednesday for all entries made till Sunday midnight of previous week. KidEx DIY aims to inculcate culture of self-learning & 1% improvement every day in each & every child. If you wish to re-submit the entry for any activity to give the kid an opportunity to better her/his performance and aim for M, we would be supportive and do not mind the additional effort on our part to re-do the assessments. Feel free to re-submit the entry.

2. Conversion to paid version: Should you wish to convert to paid participation (Rs 500/- only), or make payment for your paid participation, simply visit <https://rzp.io/l/KidExDIY> and make the payment by providing your registered email address, mobile number & child name. KidEx team will ensure that your payment is duly recorded & reflected in your participation.

3. Respecting your choice: If you have been registered with KidEx for more than 7 calendar days as unpaid participant and have not submitted even 1 entry, we will respect your choice and will not share challenges with you going forward. Should you wish to re-start receiving challenges, simple make submission for any one challenge or convert to paid participation.

4. Unsubscribe option: Should you wish not to receive DIY events email from KidEx, simple send an email with subject "Unsubscribe" from your registered email address to info@kid-ex.com.