

KidEx Do-It-Yourself National Challenge 2020

Activity description and self-learning manual

Activity: Record video of child describing his/her day | Language and communication skills | 3 years

Skill development milestone

The child has a spoken vocabulary of 300 to 1000 words at this age. The child may know words across different languages but would not be able to differentiate a word from one language to another. The child starts to advance from using single words to phrases or incomplete sentences. They can talk well enough for strangers to understand most of the time. Imitation remains a strong mechanism to communicate at this stage e.g. they imitate the language and behavior of trusted adults or interact with other kids through imitation (parallel playing). They use language to describe the world around them. They can speak their name, age and gender. They can name most familiar things. Their awareness of rhyming sound starts to emerge.

Activity description

The child is required to describe to either mother or father what all did he/she do since morning. Ask the child to talk about the things which he/she enjoyed the most. Encourage the child to speak freely till the child has not covered everything he/she wants to speak about.

Indulge in this exercise over a few days with the child and whenever the child is confident, please record a 30-second video of the child describing what all he/she did since morning.

The video should be submitted as an entry as per submission 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. You can record one common video of the child for this activity
2. Keep the total video 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
3. You can upload the video file at <https://www.kid-ex.com/diy-nc> (if total file size > 20 MB)
4. 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. New registrations allowed till 30th May.

Self-learning manual

Common mistakes child make in this activity are:

1. Child is not in the right mindset
2. Child does not remember what he/she has done
3. Child's vocabulary is not rich enough to talk about the activities he/she has done
4. Child is camera conscious & feels shy to talk in front of camera
5. Child likes one topic so much that does not want to talk about anything else
6. Child loses interest as the audience is not interested

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Key coaching tip to excel in this exercise is listen to the child. Give the child some cues such as “What did you do in the morning?”, “What did you like the most?” etc. Let the child speak in the language of his/her choice. You may choose to speak about things you did which involved the child & observe if the child remembers the incident & adds to be by speaking about what he/she did.

Make this a playing exercise & indulge in the same regularly.

Key benefits of this exercise:

1. Communication skills improve as one can explain the details of the events that one sees with clarity
2. It can hone your public speaking skills
3. It improves memory
4. Promotes thinking on your toes and trains your mind to react efficiently very quickly
5. Improved confidence, observation, voice modulation, intonation and audience engagement

Entry evaluation guidelines

The maximum point for this activity is 10. Every entry would be rated as either:

1. Master (M): 100% score
 - The child can speak for 30 seconds without any prompts/cues
2. Intermediate (I): 80% score
 - The child can speak for 20 seconds without prompts/cues
 - The child can speak for 30 seconds with less than 3 prompts/cues
3. Beginner (B): 50% score
 - The child can speak for 15 seconds without prompts/cues
 - The child can speak for 20 seconds with less than 3 prompts/cues
4. Not applicable (NA): 0% score
 - a. All other submission cases
 - b. No submission

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About KidEx

KidEx is a company founded by Kapish Saraf & Amritanshu Kumar (IIT Kharagpur & IIM Calcutta alumnus). 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 include: Chess, Arts, Mandarin, Spanish, French, German, Guitar, Movie-Making. Upcoming classes include: Academics, Robotics, Coding, Dramatics, multiple Dance & Music, Social Etiquette etc. 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 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.

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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.