

Resources for Children & Youth During the COVID-19 Crisis

Educational Resources

- <u>Pearson Canada</u> is now offering free supplementary math resources for students in grades K-3
- Scholastic has videos, books, science and literacy resources for grades K-12
- Grand Council Treaty #3 has complied a comprehensive list of online learning, educational resources, First Nation education links and virtual tours
- Rosetta Stone is offering 3 months of learning free
- The Royal Ontario Museum is teaching kids 8-14+ how to write in hieroglyphs

Entertainment Resources for Children

- Rebel Girls is now offering a digital version of the rebel girl journal and step by step activity guides for kids 6-12 on topics such as planting a garden, reading, and writing
- The Toronto Zoo offers free online programming at 1pm daily
- <u>The National Film Board</u> is streaming free titles including an Indigenous cinema library
- Board Game Arena offers games for a variety of ages that can be played online with friends/ family or solo
- PBS kids offers videos and downloadable games
- Google Arts & Culture shares art collections from some of the most famous museums around the world
- Try an offline activity, such as making a time capsule, reading, painting, yoga, cooking, scavenger hunts, play doh and meditation
 - ✓ Develop a routine
 - √ Take time for yourself
 - ✓ Reach out for support when needed



Mental Health Resources

- Healthy Children has information on talking to children & youth about COVID-19
- The Centre for Addiction and Mental Health has a dedicated COVID-19 page with information on managing stress & anxiety, social isolation and talking with kids
- Aboriginal Shelters of Ontario has created a resource with information on understanding and mitigating the impacts of the crisis on children, youth, families and communities.
- The Harm Reduction Coalition has created a document focused on COVID-19 and harm reduction which may be helpful for youth

Keeping Adult Minds Active

- The Show Must Go Online is a digital project currently offering weekly live streams of Shakespearean play readings
- **Broadway HD** is offering free viewing of a range of musicals (for a limited time)
- Spotify has a free 78 hour music playlist "1200 years of women composers"
- Cirque du Soleil is putting on free live and pre- recorded virtual shows through their Cirque Connect platform
- Royal Opera House is offering free ballet and opera performances online
- Lynda.com/LinkedIn Learning is offering a free one month trial for courses on subjects including web development and photography
- Many public libraries have virtual resources on their website with free ebooks, audiobooks, digital magazines, and more
 - ✓ Limit screen time & watch together
 - ✓ Use screens for human connection
 - ✓ Balance offline and online activities