



## 62 Things To Do With A Mentee

1. Ask your mentee what s/he is looking forward to most during the school year and to describe the one thing s/he most wants to accomplish. Tell them what you want to accomplish during the same time period.
2. Build a birdhouse or bird feeder.
3. Celebrate a friend's religious holiday.
4. Check local sports schedules and choose an event to attend.
5. Check out lesser-known sports. Some colleges may have youth days or special activities through their athletic departments for community members.
6. Check your local parks and recreation department for hiking trails or activities.
7. Do a pretend job interview.
8. Do a service project together; local environmental clean up, Habitat for Humanity, serving lunch in a mission or collecting cans of food for a food drive.
9. Do a week's grocery shopping together.
10. Explore financial aid options.
11. Explore your community on bikes. Take a picnic lunch.
12. Figure out how to program your DVD.
13. Fly a kite.
14. Get together with friends from work.
15. Give a tour of your current job.
16. Go bargain hunting.
17. Go holiday shopping.
18. Go ice-skating / roller-skating.
19. Go out for dinner together.
20. Go to a sports game. If your workplace has a team, invite your mentee.
21. Go to a concert.
22. Go to a movie.
23. Go to the library together.
24. Have your friends talk about college. Share stories with your mentee.
25. Help your mentee look for an after-school job.
26. Hike to the top of a local hill or beauty spot near the city.
27. If you like to plan ahead, invite your mentee to help you make holiday gifts for friends and relatives.
28. If your mentee has begun attending a new school, talk about what is different and what is the same. Share your own experiences with new schools and settings.

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29. Initiate a discussion with your mentee about dream holidays. Describe your dream holiday and ask him to do the same.
31. Learn how to make bread from scratch.
32. Make dinner together.
33. Make popcorn and talk.
34. Plan a week's worth of meals.
35. Pretend you are tourists in your city. Visit the typical sites and write a letter to the editor of the local paper or city magazine about the experience.
36. Research political positions and candidates who will be on the ballot in upcoming elections.
37. Set up a work internship.
38. Shoot some hoops.
39. Sit in on some evening classes.
40. Take in a high school basketball game.
41. Take tours of friends' jobs.
42. Talk about balancing a budget.
43. Talk about balancing a chequebook.
44. Talk about balancing work and life.
45. Talk about credit cards.
46. Talk about dressing for success.
47. Talk about health insurance.
48. Talk about how to look for a job.
49. Talk about personal values.
50. Talk about relationships.
51. Talk about taxes.
52. Talk about where to find a job.
53. Talk about your very first job.
54. Visit a community college.
55. Visit a local technical school.
56. Visit antique, costume or second-hand stores and brainstorm ideas for fancy dress costumes.
57. Visit the site of your first job, or a place that reminds you of that first job and discuss it with your mentee.
58. Visit your city's web site for a list of free activities like concerts or plays in the park, festivals and fairs. See who can come up with the longest list of activities.
59. Visit your county fair.
60. Volunteer together to mow an elderly or disabled person's lawn.
61. Work on a resume / CV.
62. Write "thank you" notes.

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