


# Behavior: Resources, Tips, and Topics

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Keeping the curious  
child busy through  
the summer  
months.

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- Children are constantly searching for things to learn about.
  - During the summer months it may seem more difficult to have consistent time to work on specific activities.



# Activities

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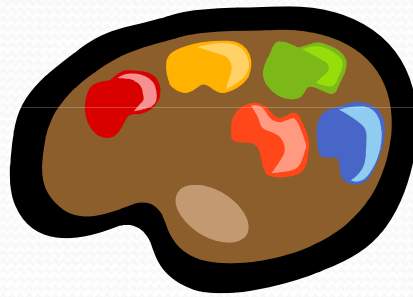


## Critical thinking

- Logic problem solving
- Mind Benders
- “Stories with Holes”

# Creativity

- Art
- Music







# Projects

- Find a topic of interest.
- Interview someone who knows about your topic first hand.
- Design a poster.
- Create a mobile.



# Projects

- Design a board game or card game where you can learn all about the importance of your topic.
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- Write a song. Create a tune to sing it to. Share it with the class either prerecorded or live.
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- Write a story and draw illustrations creating your own book. Make sure the story has a beginning, middle, and an end.
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- Create a filmstrip. You may use a coffee can or box or another object.





# Summer programs

- Summer Opportunities for Florida's Gifted Learners
- The Governor's Summer Programs will be announced soon.
- **Disney Youth Education Series** programs are now available for **individual enrollment**. During most of the year, these programs are only available for groups of more than 10 youth. However, due to popular demand, they've added summer programs for small groups of students and individuals between June 14 and August 29. A parent or chaperone must accompany each participant(s). This is a unique opportunity to experience 2 ½ - 3 ½ hour interactive, in-depth programs in several areas of study and experience the Disney Theme Parks at a deeply discounted rate! For more information visit [www.disneyyes.com/openenrollment](http://www.disneyyes.com/openenrollment).





# Summer programs

- The **Summer Enrichment Program (SEP)** at the University of Oregon is a residential summer program that supports the academic enrichment of gifted and highly able students in grades 6 - 10. SEP applications for 2011 are now available at [www.uoyouth.org](http://www.uoyouth.org). If you would like to receive paper copies of SEP applications, brochures, or other informational materials, they will accommodate requests for mailing program materials in batches of two to two-hundred.
- The **Davidson Institute** has a resource available for summer programs across the nation at [http://www.davidsongifted.org/db/Articles\\_id\\_10370.aspx](http://www.davidsongifted.org/db/Articles_id_10370.aspx) which lists programs for gifted sorted by topics of interest.





# Summer programs

- The University of Northern Colorado is offering two summer programs to challenge gifted, talented, and high-ability students: a **Leadership Enrichment Program** for students entering the 11th and 12th grades in Fall 2011, and a **Summer Enrichment Program** for those entering fifth through tenth grades. Both programs run July 10-23. For more information go to [sep@unco.edu](mailto:sep@unco.edu) or visit [www.unco.edu/sep](http://www.unco.edu/sep).
- Information about summer programs across the nation is available at the NAGC web site: <http://www.nagc.org/index.aspx?id=1103> and <http://www.nagc.org/resourcedirectory.aspx>.





# Summer programs

- For language immersion, gifted students may appreciate **Concordia Language Villages** with information at <http://www.concordialanguagevillages.org/newsite/programs1.php>.
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- **Summer Wonders** is an award-winning program for gifted kids in Austin, TX. [www.SummerWonders.org](http://www.SummerWonders.org). Session I: June 20 - July 1. Session II: July 11- 22 Session III: Mind Games (6-10th Graders) July 25 – 29.
- Northwestern University's **Center for Talent Development** has summer, and online, programs for all ages, including educators and parents: <http://www.ctd.northwestern.edu/summer/>
- Summer Institute for the Gifted: <http://www.giftedstudy.org/>



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- **Teen Ink** at <http://www.teenink.com/Summer/> provides information about programs in many areas for high school students in writing, music, arts, sports, engineering, computers, business, and more.
- **The Summer Institute for the Gifted** <http://www.giftedstudy.org/> has residential programs with varying levels of challenge for students ages 10-17 and day programs at multiple campus sites.  
[http://www.giftedstudy.org/index\\_day.asp](http://www.giftedstudy.org/index_day.asp) for ages 4-14.
- The founder of MathPath (grades 6-8) is launching a new **math camp** for ages 8-10.5: <http://www.epsiloncamp.org/index.php>





# Parenting resources

- **The National Association for Gifted Children (NAGC) is a nonprofit organization of parents, teachers, educators and community leaders who work to expand support for high ability learners. NAGC also provides information for parents and teachers of gifted students and publishes a quarterly magazine, “Parenting for High Potential.” Visit the NAGC website and add your name to the ranks for supporters who work to raise awareness of the needs of gifted learners. In an age of accountability, states and schools are demanding growth for ALL children, which should include yearly growth for gifted children. Learn more at [www.nagc.org](http://www.nagc.org) .**





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