

# Activities for your kids to do over the winter break

(NC) There's the busy lead-up to Christmas, the happy frenzy of the day itself and that sweet spot afterwards, when children's gifts are still new and interesting.

But most kids get two weeks off school. It's easy to default to Netflix or video games, but these can leave everyone climbing the walls after awhile.

If you're home with your kids, there are many things to do to fill the time. Many involve learning something together — not a bad idea for kids who'll need to think again in January.

Here are a few things you can do over the winter break:

**Take advantage of free activities.** Check the "What's On?" schedule for your community. Community centres, libraries and public parks and rinks often have great ways to spend time together.

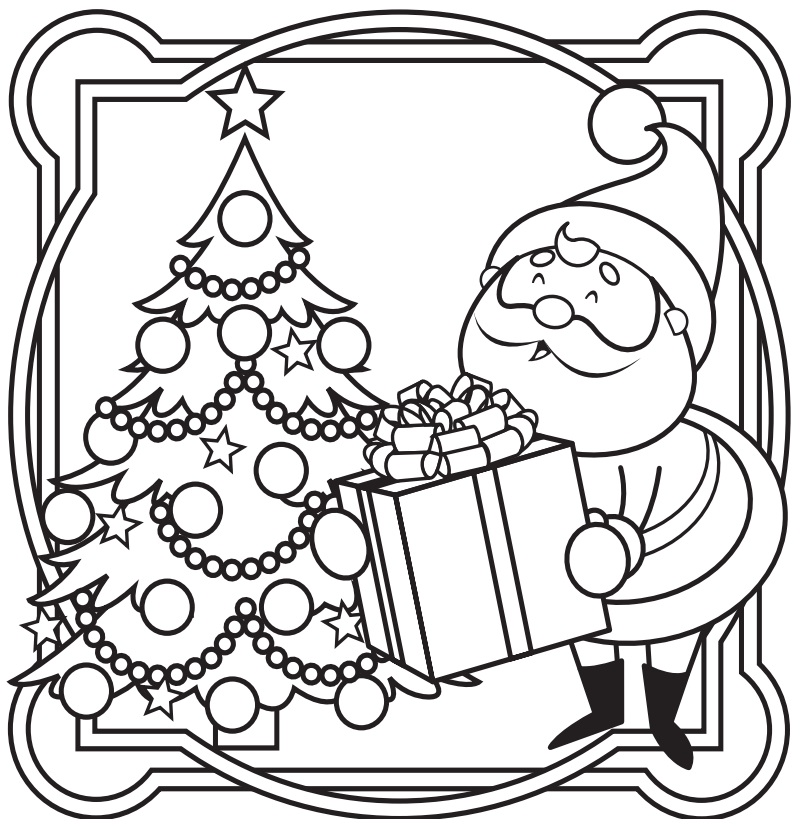
**Download an educational app or two.** Then give your kids a series of challenges to complete. Google Earth can take them anywhere in the world. What are five things they see when standing beside the Eiffel Tower?



**Read a new book together.** You can share the same book or read your own together. Chat about the latest chapter at dinnertime each day. Which character do they like best? Can they guess what will happen next?

**Take a bus or train trip.** Is there a part of the city you haven't visited? A nearby town you'd like to see? Pack a lunch, then hit the road on wheels or rail. If they have a phone, document the day with pictures.

## Colour and leave out for Santa



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# Halton Hills Christmas Day and New Year's Day Household Waste Collection Notice

Please note collection day changes:

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
December 23	24	Christmas Day 25	26	27	28	29
30	31	New Years Day January 1	2	3	4	5

Collection day changes indicated by arrows: Areas A, B & C move to Wednesday (27/3) and Area D moves to Friday (28/4).

Please place your waste at the curb by 7 a.m. on your scheduled holiday collection day.

### Garbage Tag Exemption

**Areas A & B:** Your first garbage collection day after Christmas Day (December 25) does not require garbage tags. **The six garbage bag/can limit still applies.**



### Christmas Tree Collection

**Areas A & B:** Place Christmas trees at the curb for collection on Wednesday, January 9 and 16.

There is no tree collection for Areas C & D.



### Halton Waste Management Site

**Closed Tuesday, December 25 and Tuesday, January 1**

### Regular Operating Hours

Monday to Saturday: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

5400 Regional Road 25, Milton

### Waste Collection Calendar

**Reminder:** Your 2019-2020 Halton Region Guide & Waste Collection Calendar will be delivered at the end of January 2019.

Manage your waste online or from your mobile device! Visit [halton.ca/waste](http://halton.ca/waste) or download the OneHalton app to:

- View your personalized waste collection calendar.
- Access Halton Waste Management Site information and fees.
- Sort your waste using the Put Waste in its Place tool.
- And so much more!

## Merry Christmas and happy holidays!

On behalf of Halton Regional Council, I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a wonderful holiday season! Essential Regional services will remain available over the holidays. Some public facilities will be closed from 4:30 p.m. on Friday, December 21 until 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 2. For assistance, please visit [halton.ca](http://halton.ca), use our OneHalton mobile app or call 311. Thank you for keeping our community a great place to live, work, raise a family and retire—enjoy your celebrations with family and friends!



Gary Carr  
Regional Chair

Meetings at Halton Region, 1151 Bronte Rd., Oakville, L6M 3L1  
Visit [halton.ca](http://halton.ca) for full schedule.

January 16 9:30 a.m. Regional Council