# **WAYS TO TRANSITION FROM SUMMER TO FALL** (and still have fun!)

### 1. START A JOURNAL

A journal is an excellent way to preserve fun memories while enabling students to process their thoughts and ideas. Make journaling fun by including pictures, art,



souvenirs, etc. Your kids can write about their life, share fun vacation stories, think about future dreams, or react to stories, audio books, and movies! Check out how this homeschool mom started journaling with her kids.

## **3. LIBRARY SCAVENGER HUNT**

Is the library a staple for your homeschool? Explore your library with <u>a library scavenger</u> hunt to help your kids both learn and have fun! Whether they have been there once or a hundred times, you are guaranteed to discover something new!

### 6. FDUCATIONAL YOUTUBE CHANNELS

Most kids love movies, so why not provide them with educational videos for them to explore? This article gives 31 YouTube channels for kids. And, if you download the YouTube Kids app, your kids will only be able to search for kid-friendly results.

### 7. INSECT SIGHTING

Hang a white sheet outside at night and shine a light on it to see what kinds of insects it attracts. Look up the insects you find using one of these Insect Identification websites!

# 8. BOARD GAMES AND PUZZLES

Games can be both fun and educational! Monopoly can become a lesson in giving change, and Scrabble can build spelling and vocabulary. Take a look at our educational playing cards for another way to merge learning and fun. Do your kids like puzzles? Research has shown that jigsaw puzzles are also excellent brain exercise and help build focus and problem-solving skills.

### 2. GET MOVING

Kid Pointz creates fun exercise schedules that you can use during the summer and fall months. To keep kids motivated, Kid Pointz gives points and rewards for each assignment or exercise your child completes! Points can be awarded every time your child completes their

daily assignment with a prize **4. NATURE STUDY** or reward when they reach their goal!

Have your kids enjoy the outdoors while they can, winter will be here before you know it! Need some exploration tips? Allison has created a schedule for learning about nature on a weekly basis that is great for both summer and fall.

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### **5. ASTRONOMY**

Don't let the summer pass by without getting out and taking a look at the stars at least once! Some great apps have been created to aid your discovery! Check out these 10 free astronomy apps for stargazing.

### 9. VISUAL FIELD TRIPS

Whether you have already taken your summer vacation or are still planning your getaway, virtual field trips are a fun way to learn about places without having to travel or spend additional money. Here are 10 awesome websites that offer virtual tours of museums, historical and natural landmarks.

### -10. GROCERY SHOPPING

How is grocery shopping fun or educational, especially if you take your kids with you? It turns out it can be both! Take a look at how this mom turned the dreaded grocery trip into an enjoyable learning experience.

