

FUNCTIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNGER STUDENTS®

ACADEMIC		
Color identification (art materials, toothbrush,		
toys, clothes)		
Number identification (calendar, work session)		
Counting (setting table, art materials, work materials)		
Imitation action on object (toys)		
Imitation of actions (verbs, free play, songs)		
Sorting toys		
DOMESTIC		
Fold Napkins		
Open bottles		
Open cartons		
Cut toast/breads/sandwich in half		
Sort laundry		
OUTDOOR DOMESTIC		
Plant seeds		
Water plants		
SIMPLE MEAL PREP IDEAS		
Spread toppings on unbaked pizza		
Put cookie dough onto baking tray		
Pour sprinkles on ice cream		
Make sandwiches		
SELF CARE		
Use fasteners (zipper, buttons, VELCRO® Brand hook/loop fastener)		
Use the toilet		
Pour bubbles into bath		
Wash and dry face		
Put coat on/off/hang up Wash and dry face COMMUNITY SKILLS		
Choose video/DVD from kiosk		
Choose toy at toy store		
Drop letter in mail slot		
Wait in lines		



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ACADEMIC		
Collect attendance register- deliver to office	Fill up paint containers in art room	
Deliver notes (non-verbal)	Shred paper	
Deliver message (verbal - "excuse me")	Make photocopies	
Sort and deliver mail	Cut coupons/vouchers and sort	
	coupons/vouchers	
Deliver packages to areas around the school	Sort mail	
Stuff mailboxes (flyers for staff)	Sharpen pencils	
Construct gift bags (functional art project)	Sort crayons, markers, paints (pick-up, sort,	
	deliver)	
School store (sell student made crafts, baked goods)	Staple packets	
Calculator skills (with money for school store)	Put away gym equipment (sort different objects,	
	jump ropes, balls, cones, move mats)	
Purchase items at school store	Sort Pics for PECS pictures for classroom	
Stock shelves	Inventory food cabinet and create shopping list	
Put away library books	Stamp new books in library (example: property	
	belongs to)	
Sort library books from magazines	Sort and roll coins	
Purchase from vending machine		
DOMESTIC		
Clean toys	Plant care	
Collect trash	Prepare meal	
Collect/wash/deliver teacher coffee mugs	Prepare snack	
Dust	Set table	
Feed pets, clean fish tank, feed fish	Sort groceries and put away	
Fold and put away chairs	Sort recycling	
Sort dirty laundry	Sort silverware	
Use the washing machine	Sweep	
Use the dryer	Take out trash	
Fold clean laundry	Vacuum	
Sort/put away clean laundry	Wash chalkboards	
Gather items needed for lunch (napkin, ketchup,	Wash dishes	
utensil, etc.)		
Get mail	Wash windows	
Load/unload dishwasher	Water plants	
Make a bed	Wipe chairs	
Мор	Wipe down gym equipment (mats)	
Clean bath/shower/basin/toilet		



OUTDOOR DOMESTIC		
Rake leaves	Shovel	
Plant flowers	Sweep	
Pull weeds	Wash windows	
Feed birds	Wash car	
SIMPLE MEAL PREP IDEAS		
Frozen juices	Toast/bagel	
Sandwich	Cheese and crackers	
Pancakes	Microwave pizza	
Chocolate/flavored milk	Macaroni and cheese	
Milkshakes	Ice cream sundae	
Slice and bake cookies/biscuits	Microwave popcorn	
SELF CARE		
Wash and dry hands	Use fasteners (zipper, buttons, VELCRO® Brand	
	hook/loop fastener)	
Brush teeth	Use the toilet	
Dress/undress	Bath/shower/hang up towels	
Put coat on/off/hang up	Wash and dry face	
COMMUNITY SKILLS		
Plan meals	Pay at sit-down restaurant	
Make list (use pictures for non-readers)	Rent a DVD/video	
Shop for groceries/follow shopping list	Haircut- schedule, pay for it	
Purchase groceries	Library-check out book, movie or music	
Use public bus/transportation	Shop for clothes	
Order fast food meal	Purchase clothes	
Purchase fast food meal	Mail letter	
Cross street	Make a bank withdrawal/deposit	
Navigate parking lots	Schedule a doctor/dentist appointment	
Order at sit-down restaurant		