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17 Ways to Entertain the Whole Family

Check out the sample of ways to spend your day for free, with just a Coquitlam Public Library card:

1. Capture incredible photos and videos of your adventures with a GoPro camera and accessories kit.
2. Borrow a binocular package, complete with bird identification and night sky books, and get outside on your own or with a group (in partnership with Metro Vancouver Regional Parks).
3. Rainy weather have you down? Try a Happy Light lamp help to improve sleep, mood, energy, and focus, and the "Winter Blues".
4. View the night sky with a telescope kit, complete with guide to the night sky.
5. Keep busy on road trips with a Launchpad – sturdy tablets loaded with fun and educational games and available in kids or adult versions.
6. Try coding basics with Ozobots, Sphero or Tangiplay. Practice creative thinking and problem-solving in a fun and interactive way with robots you can use at home.
7. Create your own 3D design with tutorials and various 3D design software, there are even 3D printers available to bring your design to life (printing fee applies).
8. Explore virtual reality from home by borrowing virtual reality goggles and immersive reality books.
9. Feeling crafty? There are more than 1000 art and craft classes available through Creative Bug, a free online resource that includes video tutorials.
10. Stream or download movies, music, audiobooks, eBooks, comics and TV everywhere you have a screen with Hoopla – no waitlists!
11. Learn more about your own family tree with Ancestry, available in the library.
12. Listen to stories for kids and babies in the library or in a local park. Featured bi-lingual story times are coming up in Mandarin and English.
13. Challenge your friends or make new friends at Board Game Days, drop-in for children to adult.
14. Join the Chess Club, a drop-in program for all ages and skill levels.
15. Get social with VoiceStory: Conversation and Connection Sessions. Put away your cell phone and meet new people in your community!
16. Meet up with community groups in Korean or Farsi to network, connect and more.
17. Check out an Author Talk where you can interact with the author and enjoy light refreshments.

More events and classes are happening at the Coquitlam Public Library, check out the Program and Events guide for details.