

# School Success Tips for Distance Learning Week #4

## Day 1

Suggest making a play dough sculpture of a geographic region your teen studies. Your child can use different colors to indicate mountains, rivers, and other geographic features.

## Day 2

Did you know that using estimation will often lead to right answers in math? It is true! Encourage your teen to estimate the answer to a math problem before solving it. If the actual answer is in the right ballpark, it is likely correct. Your child can double-check to make sure.

## Day 3

One in four teens admit to sending inappropriate photos or videos to others. Share that statistic with your child, and point out that even if an app immediately deletes a photo, the recipient could take a screen shot to share.

## Day 4

Solving mysteries encourages your teen to use critical reasoning skills. Have a family movie night and watch a mystery that no one has seen. Pause the movie periodically and compare notes. Can your family of detectives crack the case before the movie ends?

## Day 5

Experiment with wind power by taping construction paper "sails" to toy cars. Encourage your teen to try different shapes and sizes. Supervise while your child uses a hair dryer (with the heat turned off) to blow the cars across the floor. Which sail works best?

## Day 6

Encourage your teen to celebrate ALL the moms that have an impact on his or her life by doing something special for each one. Your child might video-chat with a grandmother to help with a computer backup and send a thoughtful email to an aunt, for example.

## Day 7

YouTube videos are great visual tools that can help bring challenging math and science concepts to life. Suggest that your teen check out channels like Numberphile and Minute Physics. Your child may even be inspired to create a math or science video.