

# 101 Things To Do Instead of Standardized Testing

1. Write your own autobiography.
2. Design a product.
3. Start a garden at your school.
4. Meet with a local author.
5. Start a math club.
6. Meet with your local government.
7. Start your own business.
8. Re-enact a historical event.
9. Interview your neighbors.
10. Design your own dream school.
11. Study the local environment.
12. Trace your family's heritage.
13. Learn a new instrument.
14. Write your own music.
15. Build a robot.
16. Play with someone not your age.
17. Sit in a circle and talk about what's on your mind.
18. Design your own web page.
19. Volunteer for a local organization.
20. Draw a "me" map.
21. Breathe.
22. Make a zine.
23. Paint a class mural.
24. Show and tell.
25. Review and discuss a book.
26. Make a parachute.
27. Read poetry aloud.
28. Write what you want to get out of the class.
29. Build your own furniture.
30. Make art out of garbage.
31. Volunteer for a graduate student.
32. Create your own inventions.
33. Finger-paint.
34. Find a pen pal.
35. Write down your dreams.
36. Write a letter to the president.
37. Learn a craft.
38. Create a personal scrapbook or collage.
39. Walk along local stream.
40. Play the stock market.
41. Dissect and study old computer parts.
42. Write a play. Perform it.
43. Invent a recipe. Eat it.
44. Fix up old bikes. Then build a four person bike.
45. Design and build your own school addition.
46. Create your own personal health program.
47. Hold a school festival.
48. Discuss – "How am I?"
49. Pick a topic and agree or disagree.
50. Go to a museum.
51. Visit a prison.
52. Intern at a local business.
53. Design your own town.
54. Make a class collage.
55. Write a teacher or student a letter.
56. Write yourself a letter and open it at the end of the year.
57. Build an electric car.
58. Have the students teach a class.
59. Take a class bike trip.
60. Write a class song and sing it.
61. The class has \$100. Decide what to do with it as a group.
62. Visit local historical sites.
63. Find the chemical make-up of classroom objects.
64. Learn to unicycle.
65. Keep a journal.
66. Hold a Socratic dialogue.
67. Discover how much life is in one square foot of dirt.
68. Pick an issue and make a difference.
69. Improv dance in the dark.
70. Make a puppet show.
71. Discuss - "Being young feels like..."
72. Interview your school janitor.
73. Use a microscope.
74. Test levels of pollution in the neighborhood.
75. Build a contraption.
76. Invent a game and play it.
77. Talk politics. Have a class debate.
78. Take a survey of local plants.
79. Solve a problem.
80. Study the physics of baseball.
81. Have a break-dancing and spoken word session.
82. Start a student resource center.
83. Learn a new language.
84. Make your own flag. Sew them all together.
85. Play instruments outside.
86. Make a movie or documentary.
87. Watch the sunrise.
88. Share old photo albums.
89. Describe or draw an imaginary kingdom.
90. Help someone.
91. Do jumping jacks.
92. Have a class creativity festival.
93. Follow the origins of your food.
94. Distribute a pile of nuts, bolts, motors, and get creative.
95. Have a pillow fight.
96. Build a bridge.
97. Discuss education.
98. Explain the physics of tightrope walking.
99. Read the newspaper.
100. Ask questions.
101. Make history.

\*\*\*For extra credit - Make a small school graveyard where you bury all the old standardized tests.

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