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Tips and Tricks for Parents/Home Tutor



Travel Journals 2: Making a group travel journal

Create a family travel journal. It's fun to write when everyone is involved. Some families choose to do a diary or journal together, dividing a page into sections for each family member. They take it in turns to fill the opposite page with a picture, photos or brochures.

This is great if you have young children who get tired of writing. A good way to get more from them is to take it in turns to write a sentence. You write a sentence, then the child writes a sentence. You can scribe what they say if you are writing a procedure, but if you are writing a story it can be a lot of fun for both of you to contribute ideas.

Here are some ideas to get started.

- An A3 scrapbook can work well if all the family contributes. It's a good size too, for young children. Buy a scrapbook with 20 30 pages, rather than a thick one as they can become bulky with extras such as ticket stubs.
- Pass the paper and add to the story. Start with something easy such as "Once upon a time" for the beginning of the story and the next person adds the middle. The last person writes a conclusion so that you have a story.
- Secret writing. Write the first paragraph of a story and pass the paper for the second and third writers to add the middle and a conclusion. This time they do not know what others have written.





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