

FATHER'S DAY

Lesson

Every child has a father, regardless of whether they live with them or even know them. Teaching appreciation for fathers is important to a child's proper growth and development. Focus on the strengths of your child's specific father, and emphasize how much they love each other. If your child does not have a father in the home, think about those men who may serve as role models for the child and discuss their influence in the child's life, adapting the activities accordingly.



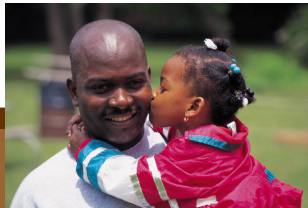
Arts & Crafts

Materials: Construction paper, tape or glue, crayons or markers, cardboard, scissors, yarn, hole punch

Make Dad a tie! Create a tie out of construction paper, making sure to include the knot at the top. Also include strips on either side about 2 inches long, which will go under the shirt collar. Tape or glue cardboard circles, 1 inch in diameter, to the ends of the pieces that will go under the collar. Punch holes in the cardboard, and tie a piece of yarn to one of the cardboard pieces. Loop the other end around Dad's neck, and tie onto the other piece of cardboard.

Snack Time

Enjoy Dad's favorite snack today! With the help of your child, prepare the snack. When Dad is available, enjoy the snack together, expressing your appreciation for all he does.



Outing

Take your child to his or her father's workplace. Let them learn about the responsibilities their father has in order to help provide for his family. If permitted, have Dad take the child on a tour of the workplace to give him or her a better feel for what his employment entails.



Reading Time

- My Dad, by Anthony Browne
- Just Me and My Dad, by Mercer Mayer
- I Love My Daddy, by Sebastien Braun