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SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

**National Lifewriting Month:** Encourage teens to jot down memories that are important to them.

**Banana Pudding Lovers Month:** Make the **tasty treat** with your teens.

# November

## Teen Activity Calendar

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**STEM Fun:** Create **DIY fidget spinners**, or invite teens to bring in their own and discuss the scientific method, probability, and data collection.

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Don't be left unprepared on **Marooned Without a Compass Day** — check out National Geographic's resources on **Basic Map and GPS Skills**.

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**Book Releases:** *Renegades* by Marissa Meyer and *The Speaker* (Bk. 2) by Traci Chee.

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**Teen Chef:** Plan a tasty evening with **"21 Toaster Oven Recipes You Can Make in 15 Minutes or Less."**

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Make a bouquet of **paper flowers** with teens to hand out to loved ones or new friends on **World Kindness Day** or show your teens you care with **candy medals**.

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**Book Release:** *Whichwood* by Tahereh Mafi is "a new adventure about a girl who is fated to wash the bodies of the dead."

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**Books and Board Games:** Get building with the game **Castles of Mad King Ludwig**, and create unique, colorful, thematic rooms while retelling some of your favorite **fairy tales**.

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Get crazy in your teen space on **Absurdity Day** with the **"The Floor Is Lava" challenge** giving teens seconds to escape a fiery demise. #thefloorislava #absurdityday

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Spread kindness and mentor teens on engagement by having your teen advisory group greet patrons as they enter the library on **World Hello Day**.

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Lewis Carroll's classic, *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*, was first published on this date in 1865. Make **tiny top hats** and celebrate with a "mad" tea party.



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**STEM Fun:** Turn your STEM into STEAM with a creative and colorful black glue rose **watercolor art project**.

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**Book Release:** In *Final Fall* (Bk. 3) by Heather W. Petty, "Miss James 'Mori' Moriarty is out for revenge after being imprisoned in the English countryside."

## WEDNESDAY

## THURSDAY

## FRIDAY

## SATURDAY

1

**History Lesson:** The **Sistine Chapel ceiling** opened to the public for the first time in 1512.

Encourage participation in **National Novel Writing Month** with this fun **plot generator**.

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**Passive Program:** Have teens **guess book titles conveyed with emojis**, create a display of disguised books where teens select their next read by emoji only, or have teens create the display.

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**Movie Release:** Celebrate the release of **Thor: Ragnarok** by making **corrugated cardboard Mjölmir**.

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**History Lesson:** British archaeologist Howard Carter discovered the opening to **King Tut's tomb** in 1922.

Encourage teens to create a message using **hieroglyphics**.

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**Book Club:** Introduce an old favorite to your book club with a fun discussion on Megan Whalen Turner's **The Thief**.

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Keep hands warm from the autumn chill with **DIY hand warmers** made from socks. Bonus—there's no sewing!

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Happy birthday, **Neil Gaiman** (b. 1960). "Face your life, its pain, its pleasure, leave no path untaken."  
—*The Graveyard Book*

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Plan a multigenerational coffee hour and encourage conversation between community veterans and your teens to celebrate **Veteran's Day**.

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Check out the **America Recycles Day** website to plan a library-wide event, and have your teen advisory group make promotional posters using recyclable items.



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'Tis the season for hot cider and pumpkin spice everything! Teach teens to crochet quick and easy **rainbow cup cozies** to protect their hands from those hot beverages.

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**Movie Release:** Plan a lesson in **cross stitch** with these fun superhero chibis to celebrate the release of **Justice League**.

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**Saturday Librarian:** Check out **Teen Services Underground**, a great resource for program planning, problem solving, and networking.

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"To infinity, and beyond!" **Toy Story** premiered on this day in 1995. Help your teens get in touch with their inner child with a fun **Toy Story-themed photo booth** and **green army men** passive program.

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Have a little fun and get the crowd laughing on **Thanksgiving Day** with a **candy-filled game** of "Left, Right, Eat."

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**After-hours Event:** Fill an evening with giving and help teens make some easy gifts for the holidays like **Star Wars coasters**, **Pokeball candles**, and **galaxy stress balls**.

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**Saturday Librarian:** Check out YA Book Central's **book release news, giveaways, and reviews** to keep up with collection development.

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**Book Display: Read across America** with a fun book display featuring titles set in each of the states.

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"You are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think."  
Help teens make empowering **paper bracelets** with Mod Podge and magazines.