

2018

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October

Teen Activity Calendar

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

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October is **National Sarcastic Awareness Month**, but it's probably not worth noting.

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Book release: *Broken Things* by Lauren Oliver

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Celebrate **Teen Read Week** with activities and displays to "Read For the Fun of It."

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You're never too old for tag! Coordinate a nostalgic playdate program to honor **American Touch Tag Day**.

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Book release: *Dear Evan Hansen: The Novel* by Val Emmich with Steven Levenson, Benj Pasek and Justin Paul

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In 1582, this day did not exist in many European countries due to the adoption of the Gregorian calendar. In fact, the calendar skipped from Oct. 4 to Oct. 15. Clean out the lost and found box in honor of these lost days.

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Host a DIY costume brainstorming session. Invite a speaker from the local theater group or steampunk society, or a cosplay enthusiast.

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Pick a word of the day to feature on social media for **National Dictionary Day**, which is celebrated on the anniversary of **Noah Webster's** birth in 1758.

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Actress **Carrie Fisher** was born on this day in 1956. Host a **Star Wars** program to celebrate.



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It's **National Color Day**. Have patrons take a **fun personality assessment** based on their favorite colors.

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A chemist's favorite holiday: **National Mole Day** commemorates Avogadro's Number.

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On this day in 1904, St. Louis police were the **first in the US to use fingerprints**. Spotlight your true crime collection and invite your police department to talk about forensic science.

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On this day in 1969, the first host-to-host connection was made via ARPANET, the genesis of the Internet.

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Create a display to commemorate the historic **Rumble in the Jungle** boxing match between Muhammad Ali and George Foreman, held on this day in 1974 in Zaire.

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

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It's **National Techies Day**. Celebrate by sharing **mind-boggling facts** about women in technology.

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It's **National Taco Day**, the perfect excuse to celebrate by **crafting tiny tacos** from polymer clay.

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Encourage random acts of kindness for **World Smile Day**. One good deed usually starts an avalanche, so trigger a chain reaction!

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Coordinate a STEM program with robots as part of **World Space Week**.

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Create a bookmark of titles and resources in support of **National Bullying Prevention Month** and **Stop Bullying Day**.

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Partner with the school district's history teachers to discuss your local archives with students during **American Archives Month**.

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The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy by **Douglas Adams** was released on this day in 1979. Celebrate by showing off your sci-fi collection.

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The US Navy was established on this day in 1775. Feature your ASVAB test resources.

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Coordinate a chess contest or lessons to commemorate the **1956 Game of the Century** played between Donald Byrne and Bobby Fischer in New York.

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Partner with the Humane Society to give a program on adoptable animals in honor of Félicette, a stray who became the **first cat-stronaut** in 1963.

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Illustrator **Ed Emberley** was born on this day in 1931. Put out Post-its and pens for a **passive program on doodling** to celebrate.

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Actor **Viggo Mortensen** was born on this day in 1958. Enjoy a **Lord of the Rings** viewing party.

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Encourage staff to wear orange in support of **Unity Day**.

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Pablo Picasso was born on this day in 1881. Explore art history with a craft program on **Cubism**.

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Host a **cereal sampling** to honor the birth of **Charles William Post** in 1854. Blind test generic versus name brands.

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Build a **horror film display** to gear up for fright night.

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Host an alternative "falloween" program for those who aren't into Halloween. Decorate pumpkins or make autumnal crafts.

Share delicious **recipes** for National Cookie Month!
Create a display of biographies, autobiographies, and documentaries to commemorate **LGBT History Month**.



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