



- 1 In pairs, discuss the activities you like to do with your family. How are they similar and how do they differ from one another? Do you think it is important to spend time as a family? Why / Why not?



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International Day of Families – 15th May

The Family Network Centre: families are major contributors to positive and healthy communities

The International Day of Families is celebrated every year on the 15th of May. Established by the UN General Assembly in 1993, the International Day of Families is the perfect opportunity to show your loved ones what they mean to you. The Family Network Centre is joining the United Nations' call to observe the day by drawing attention to how families make our centre a positive and healthy place for children. The day celebrates the importance of families and the work started during the International Year of Families. The UN reports that over the years, the international community has recognized the importance of how families help to develop and shape our world.

As a day to celebrate the importance of families around the world, The Family Network Centre will be organizing special events. Here are some of the events on offer:

Family Olympic Games

With the fun-filled Family Olympic Games taking place at the centre, parents, grandparents, children and various friends and relatives can create teams and compete in swimming and table tennis competitions, football and basketball tournaments, relay races and many more events designed to test the skills of each generation and provide a thrilling experience for everyone.

We've Got Talent

Children and parents can unleash their talents together, whether acting, dancing or sporting, to become the stars of the special We've Got Talent competition. Bring your talent and perform on the stage in the main hall where a group of judges will see which family has the most talent!

The Family Network Centre Disco

In the evening, enjoy The Family Network Centre disco for all the family where the winner of the singing competition will perform a song.

The Cooking Challenge

The master chef in each family can now prove themselves once and for all in a culinary showdown, as mums and dads compete with their children to create the finest treat with the 'Children vs. Parents' cooking challenge.

Treats for All The Family

Finally, while parents can enjoy free tea, coffee and cake, young people and children can enjoy free drinks, ice creams, cakes, pizzas and chips.

In addition, there are many prizes to be won at The Family Network Centre raffle, so don't forget to purchase your tickets at the door.

Come down to the centre on the 15th and enjoy some fun activities with all the family. We're waiting for you.

- 2 In pairs, cover the text and discuss what you remember about the following things.

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| 1 UN General Assembly | 3 the 15 th of May |
| 2 the International Year of Families | 4 The Family Network Centre's activities |

- 3 What type of activities would you do to celebrate the International Day of Families? In small groups, plan your own International Day of Families event or activity. Make a poster and present it to your class.