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Summer Bingo Category Key

	Academics		College Readiness		Student Culture		Technology Skills	
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	B1: Read and Reflect on a Novel
Overview	It's summer reading time! Take some time this summer to read – explore new books, find authors or genres that you really like, and join communities of readers by discussing your books with others.
Suggested Process	 Find a book – a physical book, a graphic novel, an e-book, or an audiobook - that you're interested in. Not sure where to begin? Go here or here for ideas. Log your reading by posting reviews on social media, creating an account on a site like Goodreads, or by creating your own reading log. Note what you liked about the book and why someone else would enjoying reading it. Repeat all summer!
Additional Resources	 You can join the Houston Public Library's Summer Reading program to get credit for all your reading – click here to register. You get a free book upon registration and can win more free books and other prizes throughout the summer. You can create a free account here at OurStory. From there, you can take a quiz that will help you identify books to check out that align to your interests and other books that you've liked before. Find more books – and links to their authors talking about them – here.

B2: Update Your Resume		
Overview	Regularly updating your college resume is a good habit to start. As you receive awards, complete activities, work jobs, or finish sport seasons you can update the dates and descriptions on your resume. This way, it is ready to go when you need it.	
Suggested Process	 Brainstorm all clubs, organizations, activities, honors and awards, student opportunities, volunteer opportunities, or jobs you completed or earned this past year Add each activity or accomplishment to the appropriate section of your resume. Be sure to include the name of the award or activity, the date in which you earned or completed the activity or award, and bulleted description of the activity or award. Remember to use your resume power verbs as you create your description for each new entry Make sure that your entries are in chronological order with the most recent activity, award, or jobs at the top of each section. 	
Additional Resources	Example Resume Templates	

B3: Improve Your Typing Skills		
Overview	Improving your typing speed enables you to capture your thoughts more quickly, reduces the time it takes to complete assignments, and can even be a skill you can list on your resume! There are free online tools that will teach you the most efficient way to type, provide games to practice, and monitor your progress.	
Suggested Process	 Create a free account on typing.com. Complete lessons and take typing tests. Track your speed (words per minute) throughout the summer in a table or graph. 	
Additional Resources	 https://www.typing.com/ https://www.typing.com/student/tests 	

B4: Volunteer to Help A Family Member		
Overview	Volunteering is a great way to benefit our community and can be added to your college resume to demonstrate your value for service. Currently, many locations may not allow volunteers due to social distancing guidelines. However, there may be friends and family who could benefit from a little additional assistance.	
Suggested Process	 Talk with your parent or guardian to identify a family member or friend. Determine a task and how you can help. This might even be remotely. Schedule and complete your task. 	
Additional Resources	Benefit of Volunteering Ted Talk	

B5: Complete Lessons on BrainPop!		
Overview	BrainPop is a website that includes short videos featuring the adventures of Tim and Moby, a boy and a robot as they learn new things. You can search BrainPop for topics in many different content areas or browse the content to find a topic that interests you.	
Suggested Process	 Visit brainpop.com and use the username and password yesprep2020 Search or browse for content that interests you. Watch the video and complete any of the related activities such as the quiz, etc. 	
Additional Resources	• https://www.brainpop.com/	

	I1: Athletic Challenge
Overview	Have individuals record their attempt on a device as they watch the video or listen to the song. Video listed below; ensure that you can hear the song.) You receive a point if you can keep up with the cadence of the entire song without stopping at any point. Video is proof. The team with the most points wins. You can attempt the weekly challenge (exercise) as many times as you would like within the week. A new challenge will be introduced weekly. The team with most points at the end of the week wins.
Suggested Process	 Week 1: Push Up Challenge (April 6- 10) – body can't touch the ground Week 2: Leg Lift Challenge (April 13-17) legs can't touch the ground and must be at 6in. in the down position Week 3: Lunge Challenge (April 20-24) -knees can't touch the ground Week 4: Plank Challenge (April 27-May 1) -body can't touch the ground Week 5: Squat Challenge (May 4-May 8) -must stay in squat position on the down
Additional Resources	See above

I2: Keep A Journal		
Overview	Record this historic time by keeping a journal. You can note your activities, reflect on what is happening around you, take or draw pictures, or take videos to log your thoughts.	
Suggested Process	 Decide on a format to try: will you keep your journal in a notebook? A document on your computer? Through a photo or video album on your phone? Write a little bit each day. If you're stuck, find prompts here or here to help get you started. One of the simplest – and most rewarding – journals is a gratitude journal: write down (or take pictures of) 3-5 things each day that you're thankful for. 	
Additional Resources	More prompts here	

	I3: Draft a College Admissions Essay
Overview	The college admissions essay is an opportunity for you to tell the reader a bit more about yourself as an applicant. The essay allows the reader (admissions officer) to learn about your passions, character, and values in greater detail and can assist them in making a decision about your fit for the college or university.
Suggested Process	 For rising 9th, 10th, and 11th graders, read the ApplyTexas, Common Application essay prompts to learn about what types of prompts you will be asked to respond to. You can also choose a particular college or university and visit their individual school site to read about the specific essay prompts that they require students to complete. Sign up for this Free Essay Writing Guide to begin drafting a college admission essay. You will Create an essay brainstorm Review examples of amazing essays real students wrote Write an initial draft Get a friend of family member to read your draft and give you feedback Make changes to your essay based on your friend or family feedback For rising seniors, dig up the essay drafts you completed in junior seminar during the spring semester Re-read your draft and see if you get any ideas for improvement Re-read your draft for typos or errors Get a friend of family member to read your essay and provide you feedback on content and grammar Review these tools and resources for ways to revise your essay https://www.collegeessayguy.com/blog/5-steps-revising-your-college-essay https://www.mycoalition.help/hc/en-us/articles/115004402774-Revising-College-Essays
Additional Resources	Visit the <u>College Essay Guy site</u> for great FREE resources on writing an amazing college admissions essay

I4: Read or Watch and Reflect on a Current Events Story		
Overview	Keeping up with the news is always important! Browse trusted news sites or newspapers to follow what is happening in Houston and across the globe.	
Suggested Process	 Visit a news site. For written news you can visit a newspaper (such as the Houston Chronicle or New York Times) or for a news video story you can visit a site such as https://www.pbs.org/newshour/extra/. You can also visit https://newsela.com/ (username and password are yesprep2020) Browse articles or videos to find a topic that interests you or that you don't yet know about. Read or watch and complete any accompanying activities (if there are any). Write down any key points and discuss with a friend or family member. 	
Additional Resources	 How to Spot Fake News is a helpful resource if you are finding articles online that are not tied to a newspaper or news station that you know. https://studentreportinglabs.org/ highlights reporting created by students. 	

I5: Tik Tok Challenge		
Overview	TikTik Challenges are often a combination of three elements: text, sound, and movement (usually to a choreographed dance).	
Suggested Process	 Pick your favorite Tik Tok Challenge or create your own Distance Dance, Blinding Lights, "Savage" Dance, The Renegade The #LevelUp Challenge, The #CleaningSzn Challenge, The #RealLifeAtHome challenge Ask your family to participate to make it more fun 	
Additional Resources	Family's Guide to Tik Tok	

N1: BrainPop Digital Citizenship	
Overview	A digital citizen is a person who develops the skills and knowledge to effectively use the Internet and other digital technology, especially in order to participate responsibly in social and civic activities. Understanding digital citizenship will help you engage online in safer, more responsible, and more productive ways.
Suggested Process	 Visit brainpop.com and use the username and password yesprep2020 Complete lessons on digital citizenship by watching the videos and completing the quiz or activities at the end.
Additional Resources	• https://www.brainpop.com/technology/digitalcitizenship/

N2: Buddy Up Challenge (Pen Pals)	
Overview	Even though you have been living in a virtual time, it's important to maintain connections with friends that you don't see regularly. "Buddy Up" time is like having a virtual hang out or pen pal to ensure you keep the relationships you started at school!
Suggested Process	 Choose a friend from school that you haven't seen in a while With your parents' permission, schedule a time to facetime/zoom/google meetup with your friend at least every other week during the summer OR Get your friend's address and write them a letter! Ask them to write you one back- send updates on your or your family
Additional Resources	How to Write a Pen Pal Letter

FREE SPACE

Complete an enrichment activity of your choosing! Document with pictures or a written reflection.

N4: Wellness Challenge	
Overview	Develop your mind-body connection to enhance health, well-being, learning, and behavior. "Grounding" is one valuable mind-body resource. When your mind is racing,
	grounding brings you back to the here and now and is helpful in managing overwhelming feelings.
Suggested Process	 Practice each of the Grounding techniques outlined in this Tools for Grounding Guide Pick the technique that works best for you Share your technique with a family member or friend Use it when you need it!
Additional Resources	Guided Meditation

N5: Digital Portfolio	
Overview	Create a digital collection of your school/work products. This will help you organize your work for easy retrieval. "Digital portfolios aren't just a way to archive work—they're also an excellent vehicle for students to reflect on their growth and learning."
Suggested Process	 Create a folder that contains projects that you're particularly proud of. Examples: essays from English class, slideshows from History, projects from Science, etc. If the product is not digital, take pictures of it and put those pictures in the folder!
Additional Resources	A simple folder on your computer works, but you can also check out <u>3 Tools</u> for Creating Digital Portfolios

G1: Cooking Challenge	
Overview	Love to cook? Use this time to find new recipes to make a meal for your friends or your family!
Suggested Process	 Find a cookbook or look here for easy recipes Plan a meal Make a list of grocery store items and ask your parents if you can get them from the store Cook a meal for your family
Additional Resources	See an easy cooking website above!

	G2: Research Another Time or Place
Overview	Take some time to learn about a time and/or place that interests you! Always wanted to know about what it was like during a different time period or in a different city or country? Conduct some research to learn a little bit more context about a time or place you have not experienced.
Suggested Process	 Identify the time and/or place to research. (For example, America during the 1940s or the country of China.) Generate a list of questions to help guide your research. Examples could include: what are/were common foods, hobbies, jobs? What was/is the climate and geography like? Determine your source(s). Consider books you could read, people you could interview virtually, websites you could visit. Conduct your research. Write a brief reflection of what you have learned and what questions you still have.
Additional Resources	 https://www.history.com/ www.brainpop.com https://www.nationalgeographic.com/history/

G3: Take a Virtual College Tour	
Overview	Due to our current circumstances, many colleges and universities are offering virtual tours for perspective students to visit the campus. Now is a great time to check out some schools that may be of interest.
Suggested Process	 Choose a school that you are interested in attending or just learning more about. Visit the YouVisit site to see if a virtual tour is available. If the school is not available on YouVisit, try googling a virtual tour for the school ie searching "The University of Alabama virtual tour" or visit the college or university's school site to see if they have posted a virtual tour. As you watch the virtual tour, capture what you love about the school, what you don't like, and questions about the school that the virtual tour didn't answer for you. Keep this list to support your college list building process in seminar or for discussion with your campus's college counselor.
Additional Resources	Check out the <u>YouVisit</u> site for over 600 free virtual college tours

Overview	Summer is a great time to do science! By using either an online simulation or a hands-on experiment you can investigate a question or situation and learn something new!
Suggested Process	 Determine what you want to investigate and whether you'll do a simulation or an experiment (you can browse resources below). Talk to your family about any supplies you may need to use and what help you may need. Determine your question, hypothesis, materials, and procedure. Conduct the investigation and reflect on your results and conclusion.
Additional	Interactive simulations: https://phet.colorado.edu/
Resources	• Easy science experiments to do at home.

G5: Family Meal Challenge	
Overview	It is so important during busy times to take some time as a family to share a meal together. Challenge your family to do this (for breakfast, lunch, or dinner) at least 4 times in a week!
Suggested Process	 Before the week starts, ask your family if you can plan 4 meals together Compare schedules and choose the 4 meals that work best Have the 4 meals and share about your days, interests, and current challenges!
Additional Resources	• https://myfamilymeals.org/

O1: Complete Lesson(s) on Khan Academy	
Overview	"Khan Academy offers practice exercises, instructional videos, and a personalized learning dashboard that empower learners to study at their own pace in and outside of the classroom. We tackle math, science, computer programming, history, art history, economics, and more." https://www.khanacademy.org/about
Suggested Process	 If you don't have one already, use your YES Prep student email to create a Khan Academy account. Browse content by the list of "Courses" or use the search feature to search for a topic you know you need more practice in or that interests you. Watch the video and complete the practice.
Additional Resources	https://www.khanacademy.org/

O2: Career Research	
Overview	Do you know what you want to do when you grow up? Don't worry, you don't have to know yet. But, now is a great time to research potential careers to learn more about what a typical day looks like, any required education or training, and potential salary and benefits.
Suggested Process	 Visit some of the sites below to research a career you are interested in or explore some careers you may not have even heard of yet. Capture bullet points on the potential earnings for the job, the education requirements, skills needed, etc. Capture what interests or doesn't interest you about this job. If internet research isn't your thing, interview a friend, family member or another adult who works in the career field you are interested in to get a real person's perspective on the job. Use the interview guide below to help you generate questions for your interview.
Additional Resources	 Naviance Student Login Portal Career Explorer U.S Bureau of Labor Statistics K-12 Career Exploration Resources Questions for Interviewing an adult in a career you are interested in

O3: Summer Slideshow	
Overview	Capture your summer memories in a digital photo album or PowerPoint deck. Practice PowerPoint skills and let your creative side shine in presentations you can share with your family, friends, and teachers.
Suggested Process	 Log into Office 365 to access PowerPoint (for your slideshow) and OneDrive (where you can save photos and files). Create slides for all the things you want to do during summer. Add pictures as you do them. Don't forget to add captions!
Additional Resources	 Office 365 Creating a PowerPoint Presentation

O4: SAT Practice	
Overview	Many colleges and universities require a college admissions exam score (SAT or ACT) to complete your application. Generally, there is a score range that each

	college or university is looking for in their applicants. Now is a great time to
	practice so that you are submitting a competitive score for the college or university
	you desire to attend.
Suggested Process	If you don't have one already, use your YES Prep student email to create a
	Khan Academy account.
	If you have taken the SAT or PSAT, or any college board exams, link your
	Khan Academy account with your College Board account. This will allow
	Khan Academy to pull your PSAT and SAT scores and provide you with
	tailored lesson recommendation and practice plans based on your testing
	strengths and areas of improvement.
	Complete at least 1 of the recommended lessons and accompanying practice
	activities that Khan Academy recommends for you based on your PSAT or
	SAT scores.
	If you do not have any PSAT or SAT data yet, try out any of the free SAT
	practice videos and activities that interest you.
Additional	<u>Khan Academy Site</u>
Resources	• Khan SAT Practice

O5:	Explore or Practice a Language on Duolingo
Overview	Duolingo is a free website and app that can help you begin to learn or practice different languages. There are over 30 languages to choose from.
Suggested Process	 Visit Duolingo's site and/or download the app. You can use your YES Prep email account to create a new account if you don't already have one. Explore the list of languages and begin a program! Practice using your new skills with friends or family if possible.
Additional Resources	https://www.duolingo.com/