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My
Journal
for
April

(year)

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April is Anxiety Month

Does anything make you feel anxious? What do you do when you feel anxious? Do you keep it inside, or do you talk to someone? Tell about a time you felt anxious, and how you took care of your anxiety.

Draw a picture of what anxiety looks like.

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April is Mathematics Education Month

Do you like math? Why or why not? If you do like math, why do you like it? If you don't, why not?

Create a poster to advertise Mathematics Education Month.

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April is Month of the Young Child

Young children have many needs. What are some things that you needed when you were little? How did you get what you needed?

Draw a picture of a young child.

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April is Month of the Young Child (2)

Write a story about a young child you know, or a story about yourself when you were younger.

Draw a picture to go with your story.

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April is School Library Month

Have you seen the American Library Association posters for Celebrity READ? The posters have pictures of famous celebrities with their favorite books. If you were going to be in a celebrity READ poster, what book would you read? Tell about which book you would have in the poster, and why.

What would your poster look like?

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The second week in April is Library Week

Write about libraries: what do you like about them? If you were going to have a library, what would you do to make it special?

Draw a picture of a library (the one you go to, or the one of your dreams!)

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The third week in April is Volunteer Week

Have you ever done any volunteer work? If you have, write about it here. If you haven't, why not?

Draw a picture of a volunteer.

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Easter is often celebrated in April

How do you observe Easter? Do you have any special traditions?
Write about your Easter here.

Draw a picture to go with your writing.

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April 1st is April Fool's Day

The first of April is the day we remember what we are the other 364 days of the year. -- Mark Twain

April Fool's Day is celebrated in many parts of the world. Do you have any special plans for this April Fool's Day?

Draw a picture to go with your story.

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April 3rd -Pony Express started in 1860

The Pony Express didn't last for very long, but it was an exciting time... mail traveled faster than ever before.

Would you have liked to work for the Pony Express? Why or why not? Write about your feelings here.

Draw a picture to go with your story.

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April 4th - NATO was established

The North Atlantic Treaty Organization was established in 1949.

What do you know about NATO?

Draw a map of the NATO member countries.

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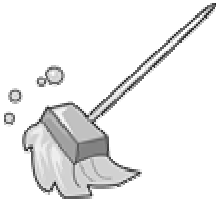
April 6th - "Twinkies" were invented

Twinkies were invented during the American Depression. Back in 1930, a nickel bought 2 Twinkies. Over 70 years later, 500 million Twinkies are baked each year.

Have you ever had a Twinkie? What do you think of them? If you could eat a Twinkie whenever you wanted, how often would you eat them?

Draw a picture to illustrate your writing.

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April 7th is No Housework Day

What daily chores will you be skipping today if your family decides to observe "no housework" day? What is your favorite part of housework? Why do you like it?

Draw a picture to illustrate your writing.

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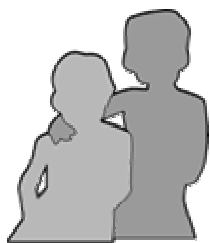
April 7th is World Health Day

Every year, the World Health Organization sets aside April 7th to consider a problem which affects the health of people all over the world.

What is the theme of World Health Day this year? Why is it important to have a day set aside for this?

Draw a picture to illustrate your writing.

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April 10th is Sibling Day

Do you have brothers or sisters? If so, write about them here. If not, are you glad that you don't, or do you sometimes wish for one (or more)?

Draw a picture to go with your writing.

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April 14th - Lincoln was shot

In 1865, President Lincoln became the first U.S. president to be assassinated in office. What do you know about his death? Use your research skills to learn the story of that day, and write about it here.

Draw a picture to go with your writing.

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April 19th is Patriots' Day

Patriots' Day is celebrated to mark the anniversary of the beginning of the American Revolution in 1775.

What is a patriot? How will you celebrate Patriots' Day?

Draw a picture to go with your writing.

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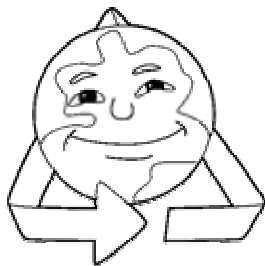
April 21st is Friedrich Fröbel's birthday

In the 1830s, Friedrich Fröbel came up with the idea of a school for young children. He thought children needed free time alone and social participation, creativity, and motor skills.

Did you go to kindergarten? What do you think about kindergarten?

Draw a picture to go with your writing.

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April 22nd is Earth Day

First celebrated in 1970, Earth Day was started to make people aware of issues affecting the environment.

If you could pass a law to help the environment on Earth Day, what would it be? How would it be enforced?

Draw a poster for Earth Day.

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April 23rd is St. George's Day

St. George is the patron saint of Catalonia. On "St. Jordi", people celebrate by exchanging roses and books.

What would be a good book to give someone for St. Jordi's Day? Why do you think so?

Draw a picture for St. Jordi's Day.

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April 24th is Astronomy Day

What do you know about the stars and planets?

Think of a question you'd like to ask an astronomer, and then use your research skills to answer the question yourself!

Write your question and answer here.

Look at the night sky and then draw a picture of what you see.

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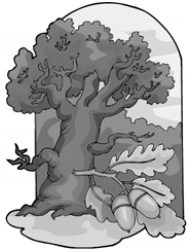
April 28th is the beginning of Floralia

The ancient Romans had a seven day holiday called Floralia to honor the goddess Flora (goddess of flowers).

How would you observe Floralia? Maybe you would think about your favorite flower every day. What is your favorite flower? Why?

Draw a picture to go with your writing.

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April 29th is Greenery Day

In Japan, the birthday of the former emperor (Emperor Showa) is celebrated as *Greenery Day*, to mark Emperor Showa's great love of nature.

How important is nature to you? Do you feel happier surrounded by trees and grass, or by buildings and sidewalks?

Write about greenery and its effect on you.

Draw a picture to go with your writing.

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April 30th {Reflection}

Think about the last month. Write about all the things you enjoyed learning. Think about a few little things that you would like to keep as memories and write them down now, so that even years later you can look back and remember.

Glue or attach an article of any kind. Maybe you have a picture you would like to save. Maybe you had a really funny haircut this month and would like to save a piece of your hair. What about a really good piece of candy? Here is a great place to save the wrapper. Did you get any awards this month? Think of any simple thing you would like to keep, to remember later.