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Well, it's the middle of summer.

Students are out of school and families are on vacation. Ahhh! What a great time to just sit back and enjoy the lazy days of summer! But wait! You are

a parent! You work a day job. You don't have the summer off. But your children do. They are on summer break, or are they?

I'm a parent with two daughters. When they're free from school, I want them to enjoy their summer, relax and even spend time being "unproductive"—just doing nothing. No. I'm not a neglectful parent, letting my kids do whatever they want. They have choices. And one of those choices is to just do nothing. That's right, just be a child.

It's easy for parents to over-schedule their children's lives. After all, we don't want our children growing up dumb, so we push them to participate in a whirl of activities—everything from music lessons to computer clubs.

Don't get me wrong. Children need organization and structure, but they also need unstructured time. Do your children have time every day to just "mess about" and "make their own fun"? Or are you always whizzing them off from one place to another?

Hey! It's summer! So let up and give your children a break. They need time to just be kids. For suggestions on how to better parent your kids this summer, see this unit's article, "Are you a Hyper-Parent?" You'll be glad you did.

Your Teacher,

Troy Peterson

Troy Peterson

Vocabulary

✓ Up

It's good to test your vocabulary. What better way to do it than with this vocabulary checkup!

Choose the definition that most closely matches the word from this month's vocabulary list.

- 1. **notion** (n)
a) smell
b) cidea
c) idea
d) tool
- 2. **colossal** (adj)
a) round
b) large
c) timeless
d) tall
- 3. **counter** (v)
a) pound
b) reduce bad effects
c) place for sale
d) set aside
- 4. **adept** (adj)
a) poor
b) dangerous
c) easy
d) skilled
- 5. **content** (adj)
a) satisfied
b) lazy
c) sad
d) disappointing
- 6. **complimentary** (adj)
a) expensive
b) tasty
c) free
d) good looking
- 7. **frigid** (adj)
a) hard
b) cold
c) difficult
d) pleasant
- 8. **defy** (v)
a) disobey
b) follow orders
c) call
d) drop
- 9. **brim** (v)
a) be full
b) flow
c) run
d) end
- 10. **frazzled** (adj)
a) broken
b) rotten
c) torn
d) upset
- 11. **norm** (n)
a) usual way
b) hot drink
c) clothing
d) change
- 12. **aptitude** (n)
a) test
b) sound
c) ability
d) iced beverage
- 13. **renowned** (adj)
a) famous
b) old
c) large
d) antique

Look on p. 33 for the answers.