

Ideas to Make Holidays Meaningful during COVID

1. Discuss how it may need to be different, manage expectations, focus on what we can do
2. Decide which traditions are most meaningful, focus on keeping those happening
3. Read chapter books together as family over several nights
4. Tell stories of where family is from and what life was like there; take virtual tour
5. Games with family members across Zoom
6. Winter hikes with hot chocolate to warm up after!
7. Crafts for fun or as gifts for family
8. Rearrange your room (or any room in house) for a new view
9. Buy old games at Goodwill and play something new
10. Interview older family members about life when they were young, maybe record it
11. Make your own sundae bar
12. Watch old holiday movies, start all at same time with family over Zoom
13. Watch a new holiday movie
14. Family Olympics - Minute to Win It Games
15. Walk or drive around to see local lights, bring hot cocoa
16. Use [Jinglering.com](https://www.jinglering.com) to sign up for a virtual Santa visit
17. Home holiday scavenger hunt
18. Make gifts for neighbors and put on porches
19. Bake and eat all the things!
20. Create an imaginary vacation with online virtual tours
21. Secret present exchange with family or friends
22. Grow something
23. Coupon presents (one coupon for a hug, or a chore completed, etc)
24. Put up festive lights in a room that usually does not have them
25. Home butterfly house with online butterfly kit - release them in spring
26. Take turns hosting mini online celebrations with family or friends
27. Send care packages to loved ones
28. A progressive project that starts at one home, next home adds on, then next...
29. Family competition at home for singing, acting, drawing, athletics, etc
30. Shop online and ship early together!
31. Trim a winter tree outdoors for all to enjoy
32. Calendar with daily special small activities to look forward to
33. Zoom ugly sweater contest
34. Build winter forts/snowmen; can use food coloring for added decoration
35. We will remember this year for a long time to come - make the most of it!

****Holidays for all the days - [Fun, Random, and Weird Holidays](#) (includes ways to celebrate too!)**