

Parent Guide

How can I use this with my children?

These visual timetable cards can be used to create a learning environment at home. It includes both regular home routines as well as school-based activities.

How does this help my children's learning?

This visual timetable can help you both to have a structured day and partake in a range of learning experiences at home.

Ideas for further learning:

Include your child in planning by giving them options (either in the morning or the night before). Let them choose their own open-ended play experiences; you may wish to choose the learning activities.



Visual Timetable for Home Learning

You will need:

- printed timetable grid and activity cards
- scissors
- laminator (optional, but recommended)
- sticky tack, pins or Velcro strips
- box, bag or similar container



Instructions:

- Print and cut out the visual timetable grid and activity cards. Rather than using all of the cards, you may wish to select which cards are most suitable for your child and their routines. As the timetable and cards will be used and handled a lot, you may wish to laminate them.
- Using sticky tack or Velcro strips attached to the back of the activity cards, choose which activities you would like your child to do throughout the day and display them on the visual timetable. You might find it helpful to keep the cards that aren't in use in a box, bag or similar container.
- As each activity is completed, your child can remove the activity and place it back in the box. They can then see which activity is next and what the rest of the day entails.

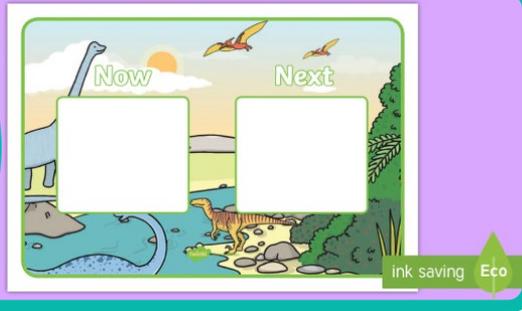
Top Tips:

- At this age, children are still learning to understand the concept of time; use time sequencing words such as now, before, later or after as you discuss the timetable with them.
- Try to ensure your child experiences a wide range of activities throughout the day, including free play time. Nursery and reception settings will often have several activities set up for the children to go between, with some activities being open-ended and others (such a circle time for stories and songs) being very set.
- Though your child will be at home, they can still have some independent play time. We suggest choosing some activities that are adult-led (such as crafts that need supervising) and some that are child-led (such as playing with blocks and other toys).
- You can search for activities to fit these cards on the Twinkl site by typing in the keywords on the card. If your child has a particular interest (e.g. dinosaurs or under the sea), then you can search for even more specific ideas.

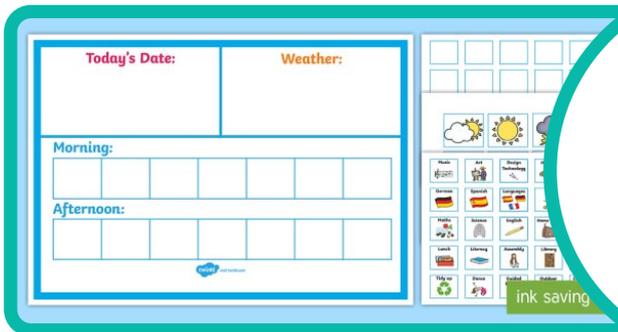
We hope the information on our website and resource is useful. However, some ingredients and/or materials used might cause allergic reactions, so if you have any concerns about your own or somebody else's health or wellbeing, always speak to a qualified health professional. Remember, activities listed within the resource should always be supervised by an appropriate adult.

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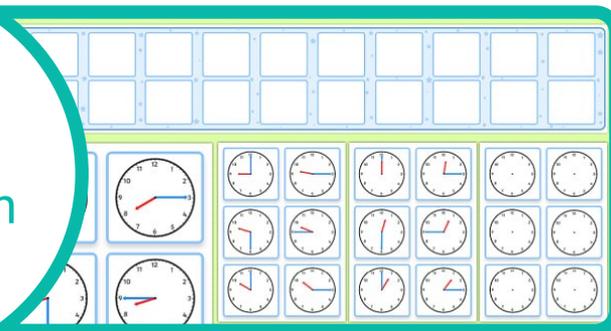
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Now and Next
Visual Aid



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Timetable
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Daily
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Day and
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