

Determine a Homework Workspace:

The workspace should include a table/desk. The dinner table or a coffee table can be used as long as the area is relatively distraction free and available for use daily.

Create a Homework Supply Center:

Paper: lined paper, scratch paper, art paper

Decorate a box (large cereal boxes work well) to store the paper.

Supplies: Pencils, pens, crayons, markers, erasers, glue sticks

Decorate a container (cut a 2-liter soda bottle or a milk jug in half; cover the cut edge with masking tape) to hold the supplies.

Resources: Dictionary, computer/laptop/tablet, etc. should be available in the homework workspace.

Establish Routines:

- Determine when homework will completed. (For example, immediately after school, before dinner, after dinner.)
- Designate who will oversee homework time. (If homework must be signed, designate who will check assignments and sign them.)
- If students are arriving at home without homework assignments, check with the teacher to be certain that there is not a miscommunication about expectations.
- Often, students are required to read for a number of minutes nightly. Make this a routine for everyone. You may read a book together as a family or just set a timer and have everyone in the house reading for 20-30 minutes whether it is a newspaper, magazine, book, etc.

