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August 1

- The first Sunday in August is National KidsDay. What events do you think should be held to celebrate kids on this day?
- Frances Scott Key, the author of "The Star-Spangled Banner," was born on August 1, 1779. Do you think that all Americans should know the words to this song? Explain.



August 2

- August is Children's Eye Health and Safety Month. Pretend that you are at the eye doctor when you find a pair of magical glasses. Write about what you see through these glasses.
- The neighbor's dog has just delivered a litter of five puppies. Write a letter persuading your parent to let you have one of the puppies as a pet.

August 3

- Christopher Columbus set sail for the New World on this day in 1492. Imagine being on a ship with him as he crossed the ocean. Describe what you think daily life was like.
- Imagine that you are on a ship and you have discovered a new land. What would you like to name this new land? Write a letter convincing your captain to use the name you suggest.





August 4

- Do you think that your school cafeteria should sell soft drinks? Explain.
- Describe the ultimate tree house. What would it look like, and what would you have in it?





August 5



-  August is National Inventors' Month. Imagine that you could personally thank one inventor for his or her invention. Who would you thank? Explain.
-  During a visit to the zoo, you notice a strange sound coming from the gorilla exhibit. You realize a baby gorilla is trying to get your attention. Write about what happens next.



August 6



-  Your family is driving to your favorite summer vacation spot when you come upon a roadblock and detour sign. You decide to take the detour. Write about what happens next. Where do you end up?
-  Some schools have several short vacation breaks during the year instead of one long summer break. List the pros and cons of each. Which do you prefer? Explain.

August 7

-  The first Saturday in August is National Mustard Day. Explain how to build the most delicious submarine sandwich. Don't forget the mustard!
-  A flower? A seed? A fruit? Where do you think mustard comes from? Explain how you think mustard is made.



August 8

-  Think of an event in your life that didn't work out the way you thought it would. Rewrite the event and give it a new ending.
-  Imagine that you are a red-carpet reporter at the Academy Awards. If you could interview one movie star, who would you choose? Explain.



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