

ESPECIALLY FOR TEACHERS FROM FLMS...May & June, 2008

CREATIVE CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES

In May and June we celebrate National Pet Week, Mother's Day, National Bicycle Month, Memorial Day, and End of School/Summer Vacation. Provided below are several creative activities for teachers to use with their students. Let us know how you and your students like them. Thanks.

MAY

NATIONAL PET WEEK

- Debate this statement: A dog is man's best friend.
- Compare poodles and puddles.
- Describe what would happen if a turtle and a bird were crossbred.
- If you could "talk to the animals," what would you like to know?

MOTHER'S DAY

- Design an original Mother's Day card.
- The results: A tear and a smile. What do you think happened?
- Create a puzzle using the names of all the mothers of your classmates.
- Determine how things would change if you and your mother switched roles for a week.

NATIONAL BICYCLE MONTH

- With a partner, prepare a bicycle consumer's guide.
- Invent a modern "bikemobile" like the batmobile concept.
- How would you build an all-weather bicycle?
- Create and display a bicycle safety poster.

MEMORIAL DAY

- History is to a nation what memory is to an individual. What do you think this means?
- Determine what you think "America, the beautiful" means.
- Respond to this statement: Memory is a wonderful treasure chest for those who know how to pack it.
- Select a personal hero/heroine – design a memorial for this person.

JUNE

END OF SCHOOL/SUMMER VACATION

- Outline your idea of the perfect summer day.
- If you had to choose one or the other, would you rather be without heat in the winter or without air conditioning in the summer? Why?
- List the ten best things about summer vacation.
- Set ten goals for yourself which you hope to accomplish over the summer.

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