



Summer is here and it's time to lick it off with the Top 10 Summer Activities Challenge, May 27 - July 14. Here's a list of my personal favorites. There are three alternate items; however, you cannot substitute the last two items. Everyone MUST go 24 hours without electronics, and sleep outside overnight to complete the challenge. When you complete the challenge, send an email to merry@merrysorrells.com to receive your special recognition. *Adults are encouraged to join in the fun!*

1.	Play a game of flashlight tag after dark with family, friends, and/or neighbors.	☐
2.	Create a card or send a letter to a soldier celebrating the 4th of July, America's Adopt A Soldier, P.O. Box 1049, Springfield, VA 22151	☐
3.	Make a bird feeder out of a pine cone, peanut butter and birdseed. Hang it outside and see what kind of birds (or other critters) come to eat from it. Write down what you see.	☐
4.	Dance outside in the rain when it's not lightening or thundering and have someone take a video	☐
5.	Get a sturdy piece of rope and a book on knot-making. Learn to tie three kinds of knots: a slip knot, a square knot and a figure 8 knot.	☐
6.	Lie down in the grass and look up at the sky on a cloudy day, Find three figures in the clouds and draw them on a piece of paper.	☐
7.	Go to the public library, get a membership card, and check out a book to read.	☐
8.	Have a watermelon seed spitting contest and see whose seeds go the farthest. Plant some of the seeds in the ground and see if they grow. Be sure to water them!	☐
9.	Go at least 24 hours without using anything electronic (no phone, TV, computer, tablet, etc.)	☐
10.	Sleep outside overnight (with siblings, parents, pets or friends).	☐
	Alternatives: <i>Remember #9 and # 10 cannot be substituted with an alternative.</i> • Learn the alphabet in sign language. • Make up your very own original dessert and share it with your family. • Memorize one of these poems and have someone video you reciting it.	☐

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I'd love for you to share yours too!