

## Activity Book for Children and their Fathers

## Family Resources

### Indiana DCS:



### DCS has fatherhood engagement services:

Visit <u>in.gov/dcs/preservation/father-engagement-services/</u> for a service provider near you. Fathers involved in DCS can also reach out to their family case managers for more information about fatherhood engagement services. Available in all regions of the state.



### Establish paternity:

Establishing paternity gives a child a legal father. It also gives the father both rights and obligations related to helping take care of his child. By knowing both parents, a child gains a sense of identity and belonging.

Learn more about establishing paternity here: <a href="mailto:in.gov/dcs/child-support/about-us/paternity/">in.gov/dcs/child-support/about-us/paternity/</a>

### Other resources for fathers:



## National Responsible Fatherhood Clearinghouse:

The National Responsible Fatherhood Clearinghouse is an Office of Family Assistance (OFA) funded national resource for fathers, practitioners, programs/Federal grantees, states and the public at-large who are serving or interested in supporting strong fathers and families.

Learn more at *fatherhood.gov*/.



### **Fathers and Families Center:**

Empowers fathers by creating a caring support system focused on exactly what dads need: life-skill development, job-readiness training, education, counseling and help finding gainful employment.

Learn more by visiting <u>ffcindiana.org</u>.

### ZERO to THREE:

Specializes in early childhood development, specifically focusing on the ages zero to three. Offers resources, training programs and solutions that make a real impact during this critical stage of childhood development.

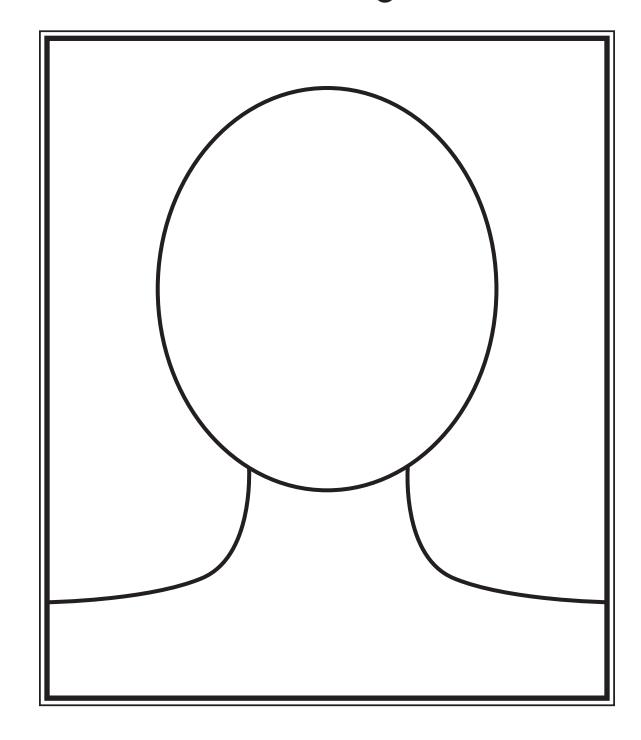


## Felon Friendly Jobs on Jobs2Careers:

Finding gainful employment is an important aspect of being a father and a provider to children. Having a felony can sometimes be a barrier to this critical step. Search felon friendly jobs in Indiana by visiting <a href="mailto:jobs2careers.com/?t9=3631&q=felon%20friendly">jobs2careers.com/?t9=3631&q=felon%20friendly</a>.

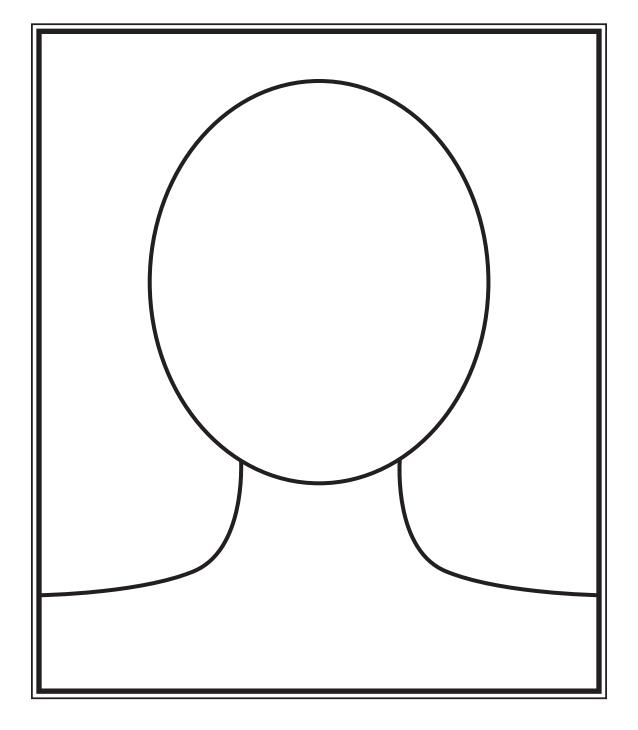
## About me! About Dad! Name Name What I do What I want to be when I grow up for work Favorite activity Favorite activity Favorite food Favorite food Favorite color Favorite color

## I drew my dad!



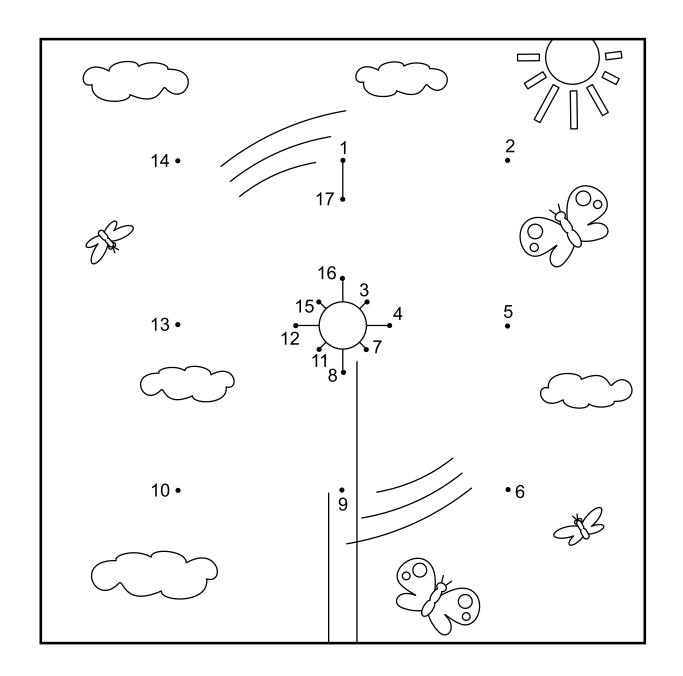
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## My dad drew me!

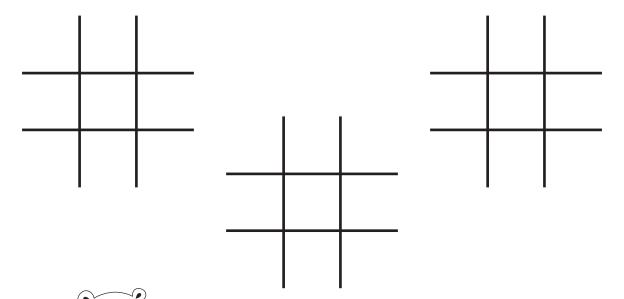


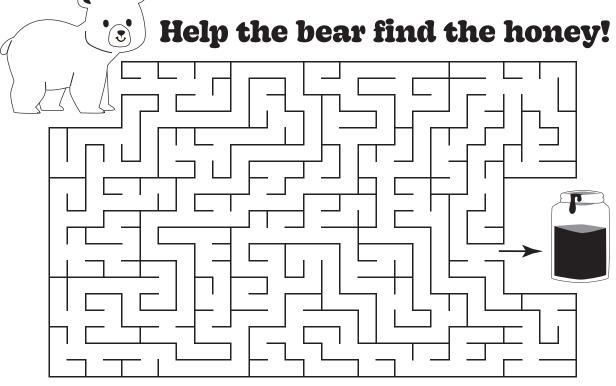
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## Connect the dots!



## Play some games with dad!



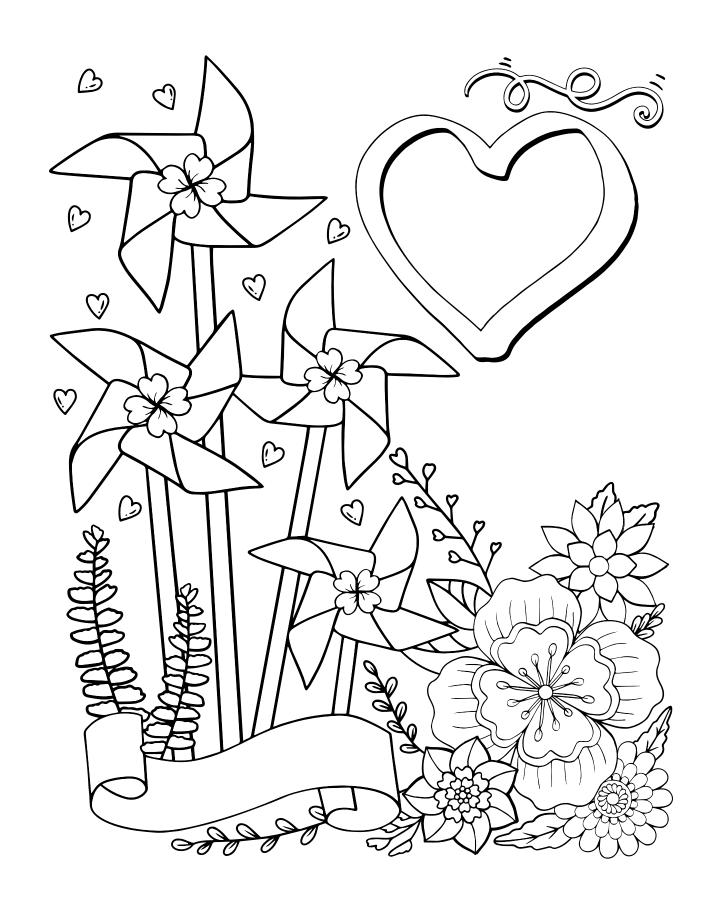


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LOVE	FAMILY	SAFETY
PINWHEEL	TOGETHER	FATHERHOOD
CONNECTION	JOY	HOPE
HAPPINESS		



## Fun activity checklist

Go to the museum

Have a movie night

Make a meal together

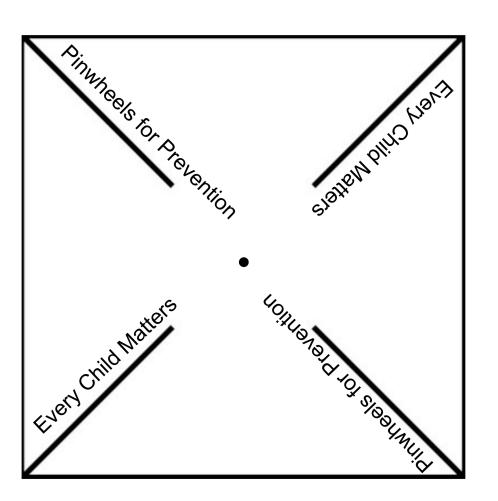
Read a story

Make a craft

Play outside



# Create a pinwheel for prevention!



## **Directions:**

Decorate the pinwheel however you want
Cut along the solid black lines
Fold the blank corner toward the center black dot
Connect the center peices by poking a pin or fastener through the center
Attach to a straw or pencil

