

SECTION 2.2

Things to do together

NB: You'll need to check in with your co-ordinator before doing some of the more high-risk activities; e.g. swimming, rock climbing or horse riding

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kick a football 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cook a meal to share 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the Workways laptop to look at careers, part time work or other research 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan to meet with another mentoring couple for lunch or a cuppa
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a picnic: you bring something, they bring something 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don't forget the conversation starter cards are available at the school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit the Op Shops, perhaps even volunteer for an hour 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit a friend or someone in a public hospital
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repair a motorbike or car 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn (or teach each other) a new craft 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Go to the car wash 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit the beach and take photos- develop them together next meeting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Go window shopping 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take photos of your journey together (with the young persons approval) collate them to create a lasting memory for the young person 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • pick up shells from the beach 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrange a visit to a workplace which might be of interest
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take a trip to a popular tourist area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet a person working in the career area of interest to your young person 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk a rail trail 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tennis, play or watch
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help your young person to write their résumé 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Play lawn bowls 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Go to an Open Day at Community College/ TAFE college 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do an internet career or personality quiz: jobjuice.gov.au or myfuture.edu.au
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a BBQ lunch by the river 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enjoy a restaurant meal on a special occasion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make jewellery- (requirements available from Workways) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build or repair something – a shed, carport, chook-house or furniture
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Go to a swimming pool 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fly kites 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk around a local lake 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit an art gallery
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Go to a local museum 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Play Basketball 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Go to a golf-driving range 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit a state park
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have breakfast together (cheap at some bakeries) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Play a round of mini golf 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore what local part-time work is available 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Train for a fun run, or marathon

Fun ideas for the mentoring journey

Wherever possible, encourage your young person to make suggestions about things to do. This is in line with the developmental aspect of youth mentoring. However, mentors might need a few ideas to suggest and the following list might be helpful

- Set your mentoring goals together
- Help with some homework
- Make dinner together
- Make popcorn and talk
- Go to the library
- Visit a museum
- Go to the swimming pool
- Go to the gym
- Visit your workplace
- Talk about planning a career
- Take tours of friends' jobs
- Visit a tertiary institution
- Work on a C.V.
- Visit an art gallery
- Do a personality test (on the computer)
- Review your mentoring goals
- Sew on a button
- Take photos of favourite people/places
- Do a pretend job interview
- Listen to your favourite music together
- Talk about how to get a job and find a part-time job
- Set up work experience
- Change a tyre
- Talk about credit cards
- Talk about budgeting
- Go bargain hunting
- Visit an old age home
- Write 'thank you' notes
- Talk about relationships
- Talk about personal values
- Draw your family tree
- Talk about the future
- Write a song
- Paint something
- Create a journal, including photos, of your time together
- Start a collection e.g. stamps, coins or whatever else is the craze of the time!
- Do needlework e.g. knitting, embroidery?
- Participate in World Vision's 40-hour Fast as a joint project and challenge other mentors and mentees to participate. End with a celebration!
- Help out at a local faith or charity shop or thrift store
- Have lunch with your mentee
- Do a jigsaw puzzle
- Build a model car or aeroplane
- Take a walk around a lake or park
- Go on nature walks
- Play Table Tennis
- Go jogging together
- Help your mentee to draw up a fitness schedule
- Do aerobics together
- Discuss the importance of networking
- Talk about taxes
- Do good deeds for three strangers
- Have a picnic
- 'Surf the Net'
- Fly a kite
- Show your mentee how to read a map
- Design a website home page
- Make something together e.g. picture frame, birthday or Christmas cards
- Go fishing
- Go bird-watching
- Play with a Frisbee or participate in some other fun outdoor game
- Play board games or cards
- Build, create, design something