## Random Acts of Kindness Week



## 50 Ideas for Random Acts of Kindness

- 1. Collect nonperishable food items for a food bank.
- 2. Adopt a student who needs a friend, checking in periodically to see how things are going.
- 3. Volunteer to be a tutor in a school.
- 4. Extend a hand to someone in need; give your full attention and simply listen.
- 5. Send a care package to someone serving in the military
- 6. Sing at a nursing home.
- 7. Offer a couple of hours of babysitting to parents.
- 8. Have a charity day at work, with employees bringing items for a food drive or clothing drive.
- 9. Remember the bereaved with phone calls, cards, plants and food.
- 10. Find opportunities to give compliments. It costs nothing, takes no time, and could make someone's entire day. Don't just think it. Say it
- 11. Call or visit a homebound person.
- 12. Be a good neighbor; take over a baked treat or stop by to say "Hello".
- 13. Transport someone who can't drive.
- 14. Shovel a neighbor's driveway or sidewalk.
- 15. Volunteer at a nonprofit organization that needs help.
- 16. Give the gift of your smile.
- 17. Volunteer to read to students in the classroom.
- 18. With your kids, write notes of appreciation and bring flowers or goodies to teachers or other important school staff, such as the principal, nurse, custodian, cook and secretary.
- 19. Tell your children why you love them. While you're at it tell your parents and siblings as well.
- 20. Write a thank-you note to a mentor or someone who has influenced your life in a positive way.
- 21. Donate time at a senior center.
- 22. Give blood.
- 23. Stop by a nursing home and visit a resident with no family nearby.
- 24. Bring flowers to a neighbor.
- 25. Call a friend whom you haven't talked with in a while.

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- 26. Have everyone in your office draw the name of a Random Acts of Kindness buddy out of a hat and do a kind act for their buddy that day or week.
- 27. Open the door for another person.
- 28. Volunteer to help fix up an elderly couple's home.
- 29. Give toys to the children at a local shelter or safe house.
- 30. Give friends and family kindness coupons they can redeem for kind favors.
- 31. Be a friend to a new student or coworker.
- 32. For one week, act on every single thought of generosity that arises spontaneously in your heart, and notice what happens as a consequence.
- 33. Invite someone new over for dinner.
- 34. Let the person behind you in the grocery store go ahead of you in line.
- 35. Laugh out loud often and share your smile generously.
- 36. As you go about your day, pick up trash.
- 37. Buy books for a daycare or school.
- 38. Offer to take a busy friend's child to sports practice.
- 39. Write a gratitude list in the morning and again in the evening.
- 40. Know parents who could use a night out? Offer to babysit for free.
- 41. Put your phone away while in the company of others.
- 42. Write a positive comment on your favorite blog, website, or a friend's social media account.
- 43. Give away stuff for free on Craig's List.
- 44. As a family, create a list of random acts of kindness you can do together.
- 45. Run an errand for a family member who is busy.
- 46. Buy coffee for the person behind you in line.
- 47. Leave unused coupons next to corresponding products in the grocery store.
- 48. Pay yourself a compliment.
- 49. Try to make sure every person in a group conversation feels included.
- 50. Bring treats for co-workers or fellow tenants in your office building.