

tip of the week



It's hot. We don't have much money. The kids are bored. How can we make some summer fun?

Fun is a wonderful gift from God! And it doesn't need to cost money! Try these cool ideas!

- Peel bananas and slide an ice cream stick or skewer into one end of each banana. Freeze them for a few hours for a tasty cool treat!
- Investigate your backyard. Take a nature walk with magnifying glasses to explore tiny items of interest in your yard. Collect bugs or rocks, or on a hot day have a sprinkler shower. At night, put up a tent, cook and eat a meal outdoors and sleep under the stars.
- Let your kids help you build an obstacle course outdoors. Ropes, hoses, big boxes, a picnic table,

chairs, even an old crib mattress stored in the garage—any number of things can be arranged to make a fun course to walk around, crawl through, jump over, etc.

- Give your child a roll of tape and crepe-paper streamers. Let him or her decorate a riding toy. Invite several friends from the neighborhood over to decorate their riding toys and create a parade!

