

Cheapskates Journal's Favourite Family Fun Ideas

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Docket Savings for Holiday Treats

We live in the country and don't always get the benefits of shop-a-dockets and fast food specials vouchers when we go to Adelaide or other larger towns. Now I always visit www.hotdockets.com.au before we go and almost always find something I can print and use to save us a few dollars. - *Contributed by Jodie, Cleve*

Saturday Night, Pizza Night

Make Saturday night a pizza or movie night or both. We make fantastic pizzas by using Lebanese bread as our pizza base and topping with whatever is available: ham, cheese, pineapple etc. They only take 5 mins in a hot oven. The kids' love making their own and the Lebanese bread is low fat. Good for weight watchers with low fat toppings. Then top it off with a DVD that the entire family will like, pop your own popcorn and buy a cheap bottle of soft drink. You'll feel like you have had a pizza and a movie and all for next to nothing at home. - *Contributed by Brenda, Pimpama*



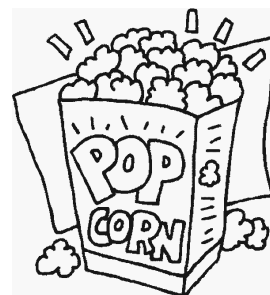
Library Visits

I have just rediscovered the joy of the local library. My husband and I are complete bookworms and were spending a fortune buying books. As a result of an outing with my 4 year old to our local library I have been amazed at just how with the times the library is. If you are a little patient you can do all your research online from the comfort of your own home. Not only can you search

the library "catalogue" by author, title etc., but you can also reserve any book you want - all of this from the comfort of your own home. These days when a new book I really want to read hits the shelves, instead of rushing out and buying it, I book it online at the cost of just \$1 and get written notification when it is available for me to collect!! - *Contributed by Gemma*

Free Family Movies

Our family have recently enjoyed 2 months of free DVD entertainment! We joined Quickflicks.com.au for a month's free trial and when this ended we joined up with bigpondmovies.com to enjoy their free trial. With Quickflix, they send you three DVD's at any one time and as soon as they receive one that you have sent back - they send you another off the TOP 20 list that you provide on their website. Big Pond is similar except they will send you two DVD's off the TOP 20 list you provide them with. You need to provide your credit card details for both, but if you cancel before the trial ends - you won't be charged. It is a great free way to eliminate boredom during the non-ratings period. We have twin boys and it was fabulous during recent poor weather to sit down together and watch The Lion King with homemade popcorn - a great free treat. - *Contributed by Beth, Allawah*



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