

- 1. Fondu & a Swiss movie
- 2. star gazing in the back yard
- 3. "drive-in" movie in the garage with your laptop or tablet (don't turn on the car!!!)
- 4. bubble bath
- 5. pizza, chianti, gelato and "The Godfather" or "The Italian Job"
- 6. karaoke party at home
- 7. Twister
- 8. dine al fresco
- 9. have a picnic indoors
- 10. set up a tent and sleeping bags and go camping indoors
- 11. beer tasting with homemade pretzels and different mustards
- 12. wine and chocolate tasting
- 13. do a crossword puzzle together
- 14. make the biggest, craziest ice cream sundae ever and eat it together
- 15. play penny ante (or strip) poker
- 16. decorate coffee mugs for each other with porcelain pens
- 17. look up horoscopes online or in library books
- 18. take online personality tests together
- 19. give each other back rubs or foot massages
- 20. give each other DIY facials
- 21. get beer and wings or hot dogs and watch a game or sports movie
- 22. get crafty with the kids' art supplies
- 23. recreate a previous great date at home (ie: picnic under the Eiffel Tower in Paris; movie you saw together, etc.)
- 24. play board games
- 25. watch videos on YouTube to learn how to dance in your own living room
- 26. read a book out loud
- 27. look at your photo albums
- 28. watch a bunch of episodes of your favorite TV show in a row
- 29. take turns coming up with movie theme nights: food and attire should match the movie
- 30. write your bucket lists
- 31. get travel books from the library and plan your next big vacation (even if it's many years away); or, set a budget and see how far you could get for a weekend getaway (with or without the kids)
- 32. roast marshmallows over the fire pit or your stove

- 33. play the <u>first word game</u>: write words on slips of paper; take turns drawing a word and talking about the first thing that comes to mind when you see it.
- 34. take turns picking books for a mini book club; don't forget the wine
- 35. bake and decorate cookies together
- 36. do a puzzle or play board games
- 37. clean out and organize your photos together (can be great for walking down memory lane)
- 38. wrap gifts while you watch a holiday movie
- 39. play video games
- 40. watch or edit home movies together
- 41. make a video, scrapbook, or journal for your children
- 42. make a blanket fort (really)
- 43. recreate a memorable restaurant meal you had together
- 44. make mix tapes... er, playlists for each other while watching "High Fidelity"
- 45. stage and take artsy portraits of each other
- 46. sit down and actually learn how to use a gadget or piece of software—learn all the settings on your camera, figure out how to program your DVR, find the best apps for your phone or iPad, etc.
- 47. learn a new game like mahjong
- 48. play frisbee golf in the back yard with laundry baskets as the "holes"
- 49. watch the first movie you saw together
- 50. sushi and an anime movie
- 51, eat dinner or dessert in bed
- 52. do a home improvement project together
- 53. take a virtual tour of a museum online: <u>Louvre, Smithsonian Museum of Natural</u>
  <u>History, National Gallery of Art</u>
- 54. buy or check out a big stack of magazines for each of you and enjoy a "bookstore" date at home with fancy hot drinks and desserts
- 55. research your family histories together online; make a family tree for your kids
- 56. watch a video of a concert together
- 57. watch a documentary together
- 58. run through the sprinklers or soak in the kiddie pool—without the kids
- 59. play HORSE with a small ball and trash can
- 60. have a water gun, water balloon, or pillow fight
- 61. try a new exercise together like yoga or Zumba; you can find instructional videos on YouTube
- 62. learn a new card game for two players
- 63. paint together: get a large canvas and three colors of paint and start painting; rotate the canvas every 10 minutes or so and finish each other's work
- 64. Chinese take out and "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon"
- 65. make chocolate-dipped EVERYTHING (there is no bad here)
- 66. comb through home decor magazines or websites and redecorate your house through imagination
- 67. costume contest: pick a favorite movie and each of you come to the date dressed as one of the characters; whoever has the best costume picks the next date
- 68. find a list of top movies or books and plan to see or read all of them together
- 69. draw or paint portraits of each other
- 70. spoil each other: each person picks one indulgent luxury they know the other will love to surprise them with