



### MEASURE PROGRESS

Turn homework into a win-win by helping kids learn how to measure time, above. "For your child to be productive, every house needs analog clocks," academic life coach Leslie Josel says, because time becomes tangible when you see the minutes moving past. Timers can also be big motivators. Have your kids challenge themselves to see how many pages they can read or problems they can solve in a certain time frame.

# *make* it fun

Turn finishing homework into a game so it's an adventure:

Find the homework Hide younger kids' assignments in different parts of the house in the closet, under the table, even in the tub. They get to work on it where they find it.

Beat the clock Create subject stations around a table. Set a timer for 30 minutes and see how much can get done. When the timer goes off, have the student take a 5-minute break, then go to the next subject. Repeat until everything is done.



#### SET UP A SUPPLY STATION

Give students a place to stash their homework necessities. Little kids m need more art supplies, left; older k should have a color-coded folder for each subject to hold notes and paper

#### **EMBRACE YOUR SPACE**

Some children prefer to do homew at a desk, below, while others prefer a bean bag, opposite. Ask your kids where they get the most done, and maximize that space. "It doesn't resmatter what specific shape student organizing systems take, just that the make sense to them," professional organizer Kathy Jenkins says.



Stop forgetting important appointments with these old-school tools. Physical down your deadlines and must-dos in a planner boosts your likelihood of remen



### JUNGLE GOALS LIST PAD

This one-sheet-per-day pad, above, helps you manage your shopping lists, daily projects, schedules, mood, and more. With 200 perforated pages, the 5½×8-inch sheets are easy to take with you. \$17; papersource.com

## ACADEMIC PLANNER

Student day planners help kids take control of their schedules. This one, right, has



a durable vinyl cover and a page that teaches kids how to best utilize the features. Tabs make it easy to navigate, and stickers help flag important information. \$19;

products.orderoochaos.com



#### **CLOUDBERRY BULLET JOURNAL**

This bullet journal, above, does all the setup for you. Monthly and weekly spreads are preset and ready to customize. New stickers—including book lists, maps, and sleep trackers—increase functionality. Comes with 12 monthly and 52 weekly spreads, plus additional blank pages. \$33; cloudberryjournals.com

## MOMAGENDA WEEKLY FAMILY PLANNER PAD

Help your household get organized with this handy grid, below, featuring space for parents and up to four children. Stick it on the fridge so everyone can see the week's plans. \$17 (50 sheets included); momagenda.com

