

Morning routine



Make bed and tidy room



Wash hands and face



Brush teeth



Brush hair



Eat breakfast

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4. Cut door hanger along solid line, and glue to the back of the evening routine hanger.
5. Laminate and hang from your child's doorknob.



Feed pets



Put homework in bag



Pray



Get lunch bag




Put on shoes & coat


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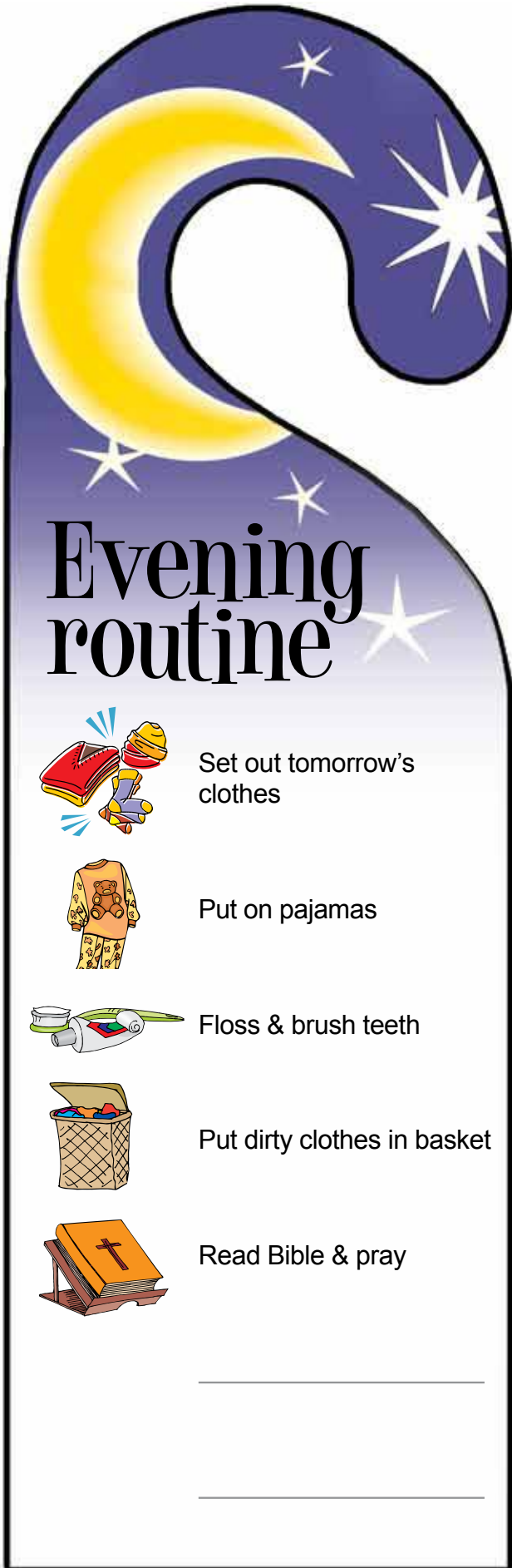
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Evening routine



Set out tomorrow's clothes



Put on pajamas



Floss & brush teeth



Put dirty clothes in basket



Read Bible & pray

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Pack lunch



Set alarm



Set breakfast table



Have bedtime snack

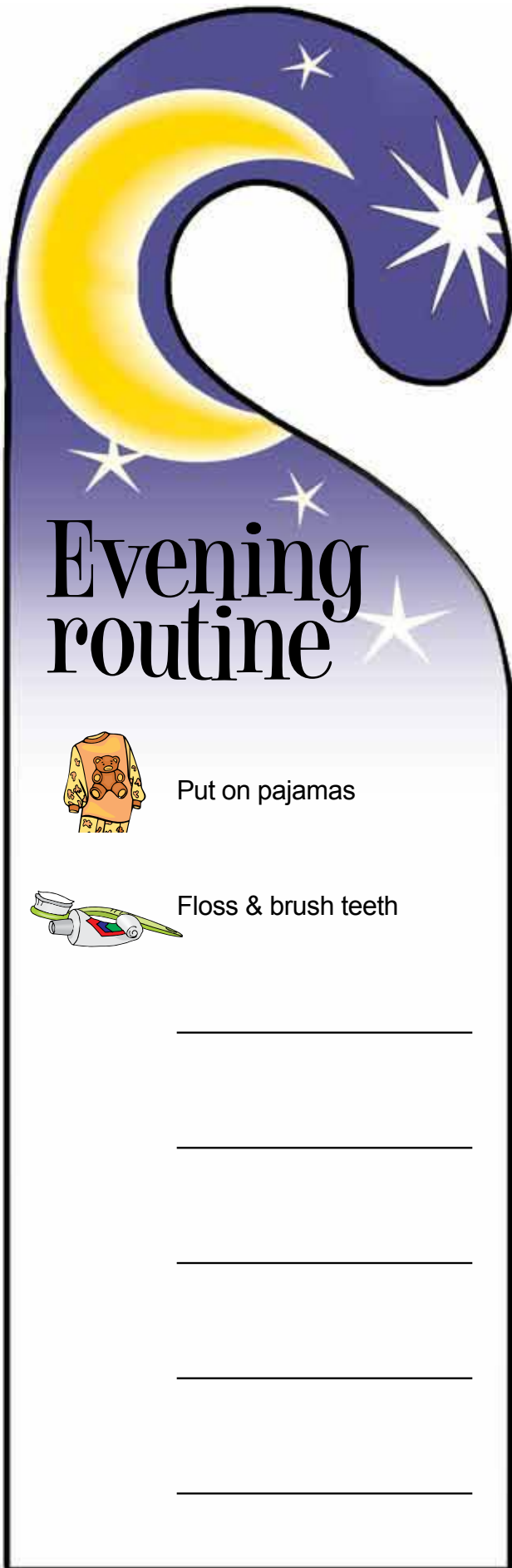


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Helpful ideas

Start the day right

» Begin with prayer

We pray over each of our children and their specific needs. We get up a few minutes early, and just before they leave for school we gather in a circle and hold hands. My husband and I pray for their day and ask God to make them strong Christian leaders in their school and among their peers.

—Rene W., Oklahoma

» Put on the armor of God

Before our children left for school, my husband and I had our 3-, 5- and 7-year-olds put on the full armor of God. We would say Ephesians 6:14-17 together as we all strapped on imaginary armor—the belt of truth, breastplate of righteousness, shoes of readiness, shield of faith, helmet of salvation and sword of the Spirit. Only then were we ready for the day.

—Sheila S., Colorado

Drama-free mornings

To end morning battles, I created a “dressing room” for my daughters. This budget-friendly solution included hanging a full-length mirror on the wall. I hung a hook for the next day’s outfit and added a small cloth bin to hold their socks, underwear, hair bows or other accessories. We pick out the clothes the night before, and it has made mornings peaceful. My 4-year-old loves the grown-up feeling the dressing room gives her.

—Amy B., Oklahoma

Simplify breakfast

We have a menu of speedy breakfast choices that our children can “order” the night before, such as bagels, toast, cold cereal, instant oatmeal or waffles. Using a small bin on the kitchen table, one for the freezer and one for the refrigerator, we put each order in the appropriate bin the night before. Cold cereal can even be premeasured and plates stacked buffet-style. The next morning, we take out the bins, and the kids can grab their selection.

—Kelly W., Oregon

Make a study space

Use this checklist to identify the best study space for your child:

- quiet, away from the hub of family activity
- well-lit
- plenty of space to spread out papers and supplies
- away from potential distractions such as TVs/radios, cellphones and computers
- a place for each child’s materials. Try color-coding each storage bin.