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# **Letter-Writing Kit**

*Ages 7-12*

# Here's Your Very Own Letter-Writing Kit!

It's hard having a mom or dad in prison. You still think about your parent. And you probably have a lot of questions you would like to ask. Are you OK? What is your day like? Do you have any friends there? Do you miss me?

You may also have some feelings you would like to talk about with your mom or dad. You might feel lonely, or sad, or even mad.

Wouldn't it be great if you had a way to ask questions and talk about what you are doing and feeling—even if you are far apart?

***You CAN—by writing letters.***

This special letter-writing kit was made **just for you** and other boys and girls like you. It includes all the tools you need to write to your mom or dad. The activity book has some really cool ideas for what to put in your letter too—like questions you might want to ask, or a game you can play with your mom or dad, or a story or picture you can make together.

## ***Getting Started Is Easy***

- Choose a letter idea or activity from the Letter & Activity Booklet.
- Write some words to your mom or dad.
- Be sure to write your name at the end of the letter.
- Put your letter or activity into the envelope and stick a stamp on it.
- Address your envelope to your mom or dad.
- Mail your letter.

## **Have fun!**

We think your mom or dad will be really excited to hear from you. So get started!









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# Some Days

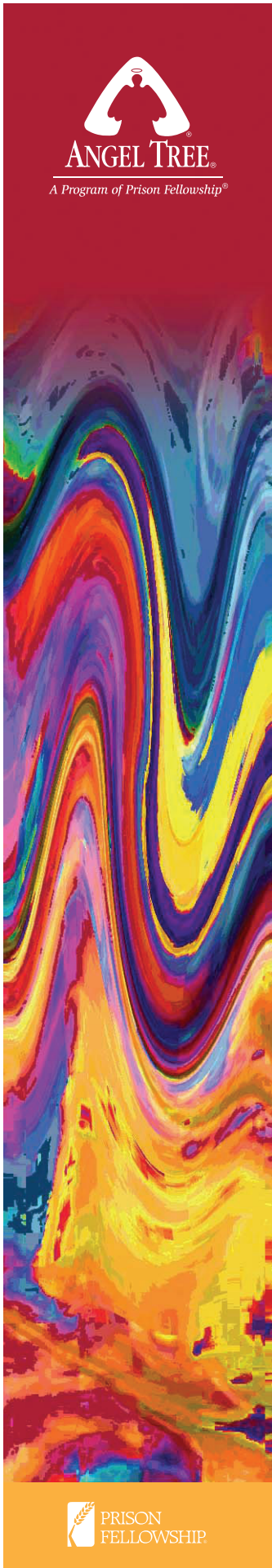
*Some days I might have feelings I don't like much—like lonely or sad or mad. Some days I have good feelings—like excited or happy or proud.*

*Today I feel ...*

*And this is why ...*

**Q:** *Can you tell me about some of your feelings?*





# Questions

*This is a question I would like to ask you.*

Lined area for writing a question.

**Q:** *Is there a question you would like to ask me?*







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# Favorite Things

*Here are some of my favorite things to do.*

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**Q:** *What are some of your favorite things to do?*





# When You Come Home

*Here are some things I would like to do with you when you come home.*

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*I think it would be fun to do these things because ...*

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**Q:** *What are some things you would like to do with me?*





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# What About God

*Sometimes I think about God. This is what I think God is like.*

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**Q:** *What do you think God is like?*





# Best Things

*Here are the three best things that have happened in my whole life.*

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**Q:** *What are the best things that have happened in your life?*

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*If I had a million dollars, this is what I would like to spend it on.*



A series of horizontal lines for writing, spanning the width of the page from the top of the first line below the question to the bottom of the last line above the footer.





# Fun Test

Kids, YOU fill out this side of the letter. Then send it to your parent. Ask your parent to fill out the same questions on the OTHER SIDE and mail it back to you.

1. If you were a superhero, which power would you most like to have?

Able to fly     Really strong     Able to become invisible

Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. What is your favorite dessert?

Ice cream? (what kind) \_\_\_\_\_

Cake? (what kind) \_\_\_\_\_

Pie? (what kind) \_\_\_\_\_

Cookies? (what kind) \_\_\_\_\_

Fruit? (what kind) \_\_\_\_\_

Other? (what kind) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Where would you rather live?

In the desert     At the North Pole     In the jungle

4. What is the name of your best friend?

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5. Would you like to ride an elephant?

Yes     No     I'd be scared

6. Which do you like best?

Hamburger     Hot Dog     Pizza     Chicken Nuggets     Something else \_\_\_\_\_

7. Write your name in your best handwriting.

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8. Now write your name backwards!

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# Fun Test

Parents, YOU fill out this side of the letter. Then send it to your child.

1. If you were a superhero, which power would you most like to have?

- Able to fly     Really strong     Able to become invisible  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. What is your favorite dessert?

- Ice cream? (what kind) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cake? (what kind) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pie? (what kind) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cookies? (what kind) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Fruit? (what kind) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other? (what kind) \_\_\_\_\_

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5. Would you like to ride an elephant?

- Yes     No     I'd be scared

6. Which do you like best?

- Hamburger     Hot Dog     Pizza     Chicken Nuggets

7. Write your name in your best handwriting.

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8. Now write your name backwards!

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Parent, you finish the story. Then be sure to send it back to your child!

*And then this happened...*

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# Play Tic-Tac-Toe Together

- You can be X. Your parent can be O.
- Put an X in one of the squares. Then send this to your mom or dad.
- Mom or Dad, put an O in one of the blank squares. Then send this back to your child.
- Do this back and forth. The first person who gets all three X's or O's in a line wins! A line can go up and down, side to side, or corner to corner.
- Remember, you are trying to block the other person from winning!

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Draw a picture of yourself!



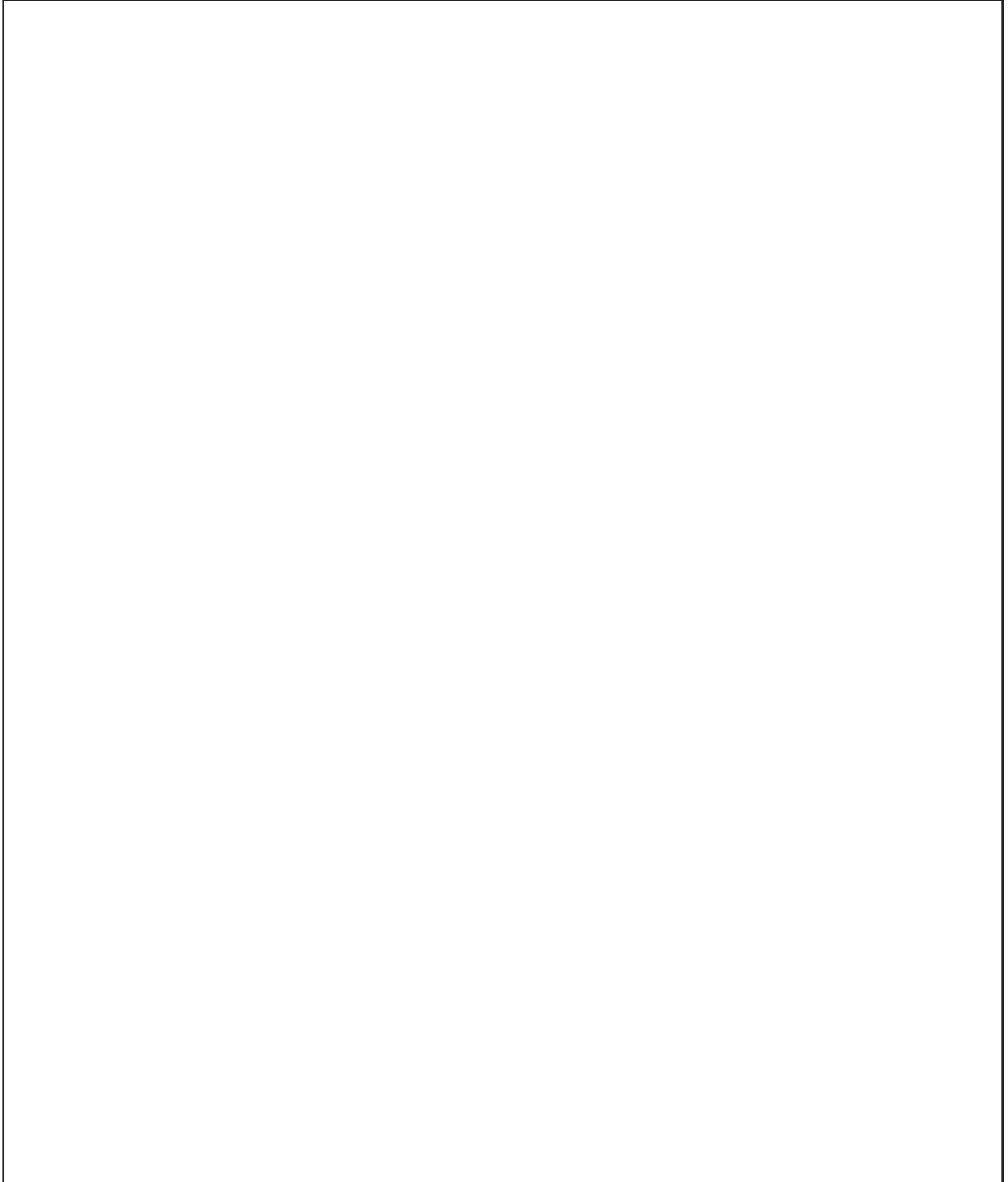


# Drawing Pictures Together

You draw part of a picture on the left side of this paper. Then send it to your mom or dad to finish the picture on the right side and send it back to you! You can even use the back side of this page for another picture!

Finish the picture on this side

Start the picture on this side



Start the picture on this side

Finish the picture on this side



# Do a Crossword Together

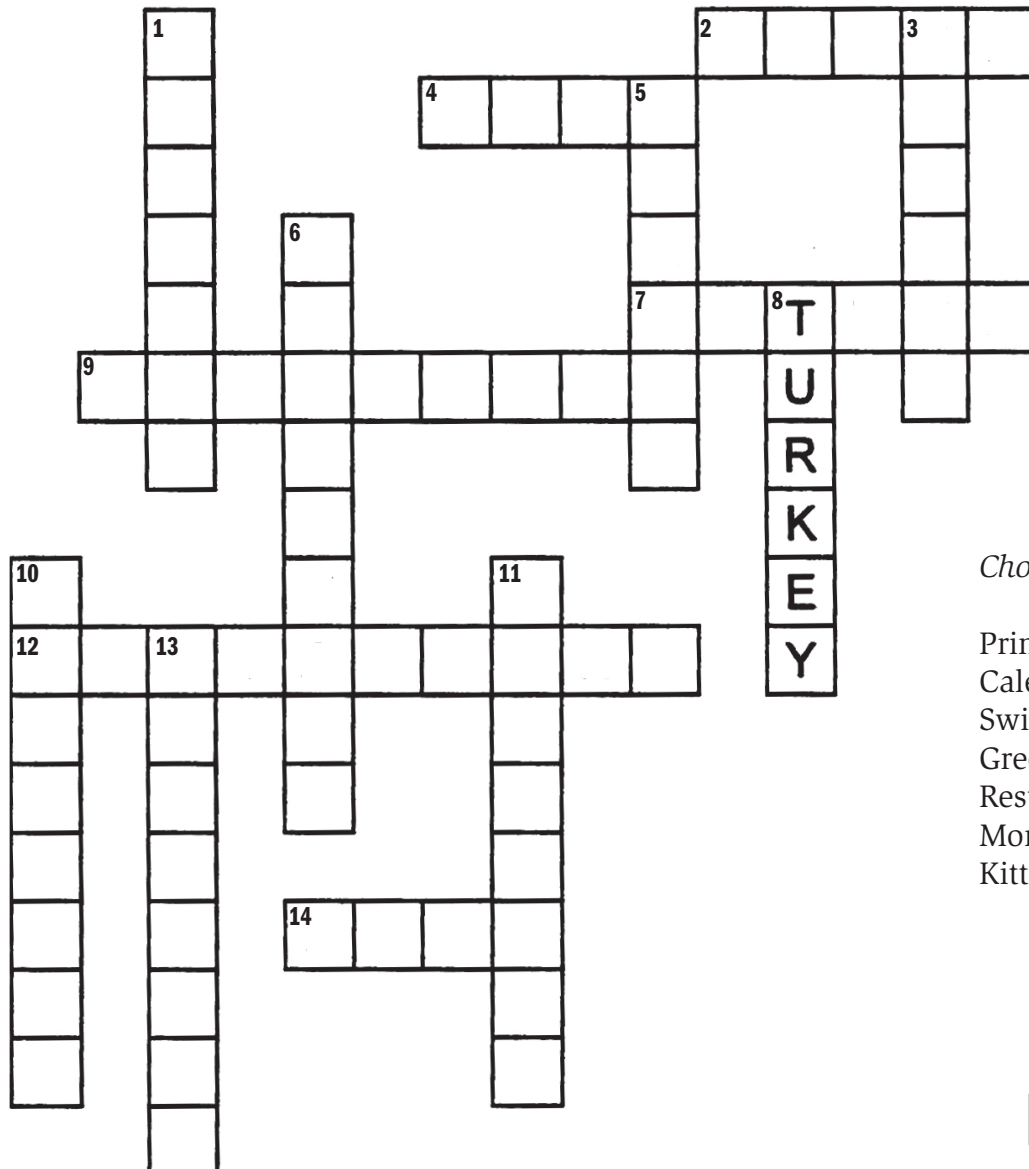
Answer one of the clues below. Then send the crossword puzzle to your mom or dad. Your parent answers another one of the clues. Send this back and forth until you finish the whole puzzle. (You may also decide to answer two clues at a time if you want. That way you will finish the puzzle faster.) We've answered one clue (8 Down) to get you started.

## ACROSS

2. The color you get when you mix blue and yellow
4. Lines that rhyme
7. A baby cat
9. You can talk on this
12. A place where you can buy and eat food
14. Having no hair

## DOWN

1. Talk very softly
3. Use this to rub out your mistakes
5. An animal that likes to swing from tree branches
6. The first meal of the day
8. A lot of people eat this on Thanksgiving Day
10. The daughter of a king or queen
11. This helps you know what day and month it is
13. How you get around in the water



*Choose from these words:*

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| Princess   | Telephone         |
| Calendar   | Poem              |
| Swimming   | <del>Turkey</del> |
| Green      | Whisper           |
| Restaurant | Bald              |
| Monkey     | Eraser            |
| Kitten     | Breakfast         |

