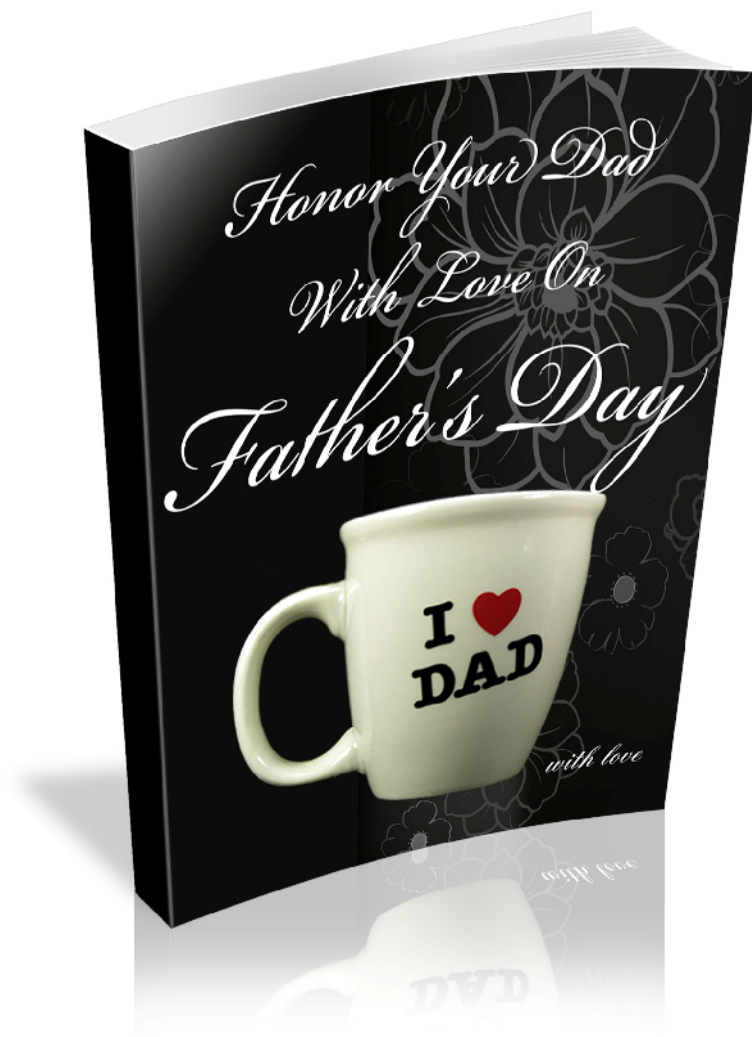


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**Chapter 1: Significance of Father's  
Day in Our Lives**

The significance of Father's day has been identified throughout the world and today it is celebrated as one of the most important holidays. This day is celebrated especially to honor and acknowledge the contribution of the fathers to the society at large. This day is also observed to instill a sense of respect in the heart of the kids, for their Dads. These delicate sentiments help in more than one ways to strengthen the bond between father and child.

The idea for celebrating Father's Day initially came from Ms Sonora Dodd, a very loving daughter from Spokane. His father had raised her single handedly and five of her other siblings after the death of her mother during child birth. When Senora attended the celebration of the Mother's Day in 1909, she thought that if there is a day for the Mothers then there should also be a day to honor the Fathers around the world. Sonora tried relentlessly to make Father's day a recognized concept and finally in 1924, President Calvin Coolidge first recognized Father's Day.

Since then, the concept of celebrating Father's day has become popular and it has spread across the world. Millions of children around the world celebrate Father's day to honor their Dads and show their love to him.

Father's Day is that time of the year when you can express your thankfulness to your Dad for all that he has done for you. You can tell him that you love him for all the unconditional love and affection that he has showered you with.

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The significance of celebrating Father's Day doesn't end here. Along with the celebrations, the children also come close to their Fathers and get to spend some quality time with him. This can also be a wonderful experience for the kids. Kids usually tend to take the love and affection of their parents for granted. This is the perfect time for them to ponder over the importance and significance of Dad in their lives. The kids get to understand and appreciate the selfless love and care that they receive from their Dad.

Now, that you have known how significant the celebrations of Father's Day are then you must make the full use of this opportunity to express your love for your Dad. You don't necessarily need to do anything extravagant or expensive to make your Dad feel special. Just little things done with love and lots of sentiments added to it can really touch your Dad like nothing else.

## **Chapter 2: How Important Is Your Dad?**

Way back in the 1900s when Sonora Dodd thought of the concept of celebrating a Father's Day to mark the special contributions made by the male parent. Earlier mothers were only considered as the sole nurturer of a child. But, with the changing times the importance of Fathers has also been identified and now they are also considered as really important as mothers when it comes to nurturing children.

If mothers are the most important ones when it comes to child bearing, then the fathers have an important role to play when it comes to the emotional and spiritual development of the child. The children are also dependent on their fathers for the development of their physical, financial and social well being.

The Father and daughter relationship is special and unique. Dads are the most important male in the life of a girl. Father is the most ideal male figure in her eyes. For girls, a Dad is the first man whom they adore. Whereas for the sons, Dads are the role models and the strongest figure that they aspire to be like.

Traditionally, fathers are considered as the primary provider of the family and the perfect guide for their children. In the case of a nuclear family, the scenario is much changed. These days most of the families have both mothers and fathers working. This makes it possible for the Dads to be involved in the child nurturing jobs just like the Mothers. These days' fathers don't shy away from doing all the stuff like changing nappy pads for the babies and putting the baby to sleep.

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This sudden change in the culture has further developed and provided much strength to the father and child relationship. The Dads also take much interest and get involved in the growing years of their kids. This also makes the bond much stronger.

### **Chapter 3: Make The Day Special For Your Dad**

Fathers mostly complain that they don't get as much affection from their children like the mothers do. This usually happens because the fathers mostly spend most of their time outside at work and mothers spend quality time with the kids. However, with the changing times fathers also spend more time with the kids now.

Fathers are very special in the lives of children and they provide the much needed security and protection to them. It is important to consider this significance of fathers and shower him with love and honor. The concept of Father's day is relatively new and it is celebrated to thank the Dads for all the selfless love and care that he provides. Father's Day offers the perfect opportunity to wish your father and thank him for everything that he has done for you.

This is the time of the year when you can do anything and everything to make your father realize how important he is for your life. You can thank him and remind him how much you love him with a card or just a hug. These gestures are very important because the fathers don't get much appreciation and love in the family. They need to be told that you love them as much as your mothers.

There are many men who find difficulty in expressing their love for the family but that doesn't mean that you cannot express your love freely for them. When you express your love freely this will help them to know how much you care.

Father's day usually falls in the month of June and is celebrated with much enthusiasm all over the world. Several media publications focus on the

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importance of this particular day and there are many events organized to commemorate this day. You will find a wide variety of greeting cards in the shops where you can buy cards as well as popular gifts for Father's Day.

To make this day really special for him get a nice gift for your Dad. You will realize that getting a gift for Dad is tougher than getting something for your Mom on Mother's Day. Dads usually have fewer expectations and there are not many things that you can think of when you plan to buy a gift for your Dad. When buying a gift for your Dad, remember that males usually like to receive gifts that are higher on their utility value.

There are many options available when you plan to get a gift for your Dad. You can get him the smart accessories for his car, a magazine or movie subscription, electric razor, computer accessories or new shoes. Apart from these, if you wish to give him something that seems gift-like conventionally then you can get the items such as shirts, mobiles, watches, cameras and camcorders available in the various stores and websites.

You can also get the gifts customized. You can get some nice quotes written on the t-shirt or get a gift that says I love you Dad. You can pick from the various quotes that best describes the bond between you and your Father.

You can also think several other interesting ways to personalize your gift. You can customize the gifts to make them really special. Take into account the hobby or interest of your father before making the purchase. Is your Dad workaholic? Or, is he a sports fan? If he is a football fan then maybe you can gift him a football memorabilia or autographed football gear. This will make him feel

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really glad. If he loves cooking then recipe books can be a good idea.

If your father loves music then you can get him some concert tickets or a DVD of his favorite music artists. This can make him feel delighted. There also cannot be anything better than a free vacation package.

Gifts are of course important but if you love him really then you may want to spend some quality time with him. The time that you spend with him will be cherished by him forever. Fathers mostly spend more time outside due to responsibilities and work constraints. They don't get enough time to spend together with the children just like mothers do. It is therefore a great thought to spend some real quality time with your father and create some special memories together.

Your father would love it if you spend some time with him indulging in some interesting activity. On father's day you can just cancel all your prior appointments and make it a point to visit your Dad. You can spend some quality time with him exploring the interests and hobbies together. You can also take him to some nice place for picnic or plan a cozy family dinner.

These are the several ways through which you can really make your father's day a special event for him. But remember, you need to express your love and appreciate for your Dad all the year round and not just on Father's day.

## **Chapter 4: Tips To Pleasantly Surprise Your Father**

Father's day is special and this is that time of the year when your Dad should get all the attention, love and appreciation. He works hard throughout the year to provide you and protect you from all problems. This is the day when you thank with for his selfless love and care. There are many things that you can do to surprise your Dad pleasantly. This year when most of the other Dads around the world get a tie or just a greeting card, you can think differently and plan something really special for your Daddy dearest.

Think about the things that your Dad loves to do. Is he a sports fanatic? If the answer is yes then you can arrange for him to enjoy sports such as racing or hockey. If he likes to play sports himself then how about visiting a golf course or a bowling alley.

Find out if your Dad loves watching movies. If he enjoys the flicks then maybe you can get him to sit on the couch comfortably with a remote. Get him a bunch of classic movies of his times. He would just love to enjoy the movies. Alternatively, you can also get a movie subscription for him so that he can enjoy his favorite movies anytime he wants.

Take your Dad for a boy's night out. You can also call his old friends along to enjoy the fun. Take them all for a nice movie show and grab some snacks such as guacamole, tacos, and pizza. You can also go for poker or sports. You can also call the sons of your Dad's friends. They can also join in with your plan and share the cost.

If your Dad loves electric toys and other stuff then you can get for him a gift certificate that he

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can use to buy office supply, tool, sporting goods, or auto parts. You can also give him a gift certificate for his favorite restaurant.

Most men are possessive about their cars. If your father also loves his car too much and is really possessive about it then you can just grab some car wax and sponges to make the car sparkle like the day when your Dad bought it. If you have time then you can consider cleaning up the entire garage, basement, or attic.

You can also become a genie for your Dad and ask him to make three wishes. See if you are able to make any of those dreams come true. There just can not be anything better than this. You can also ask his mom to find out if he had any wish or dream as a child. If you can then just fulfill it and see your Dad feeling touched.

If your Dad is a socially active person then may be you can just make him support some important cause like supporting youth athletes or preserving the ecosystems.

Most of the adults require annual health check up. If your Dad is also one of those who require a Doctor check up then may be you can just take him for a check to ensure that he is completely healthy. This can be a great way to tell him that you care and love him.

## **Chapter 5: Buying The Perfect Gift For Your Dad**

Buying the perfect gift for your Dad can be quite confusing because it is always tough to decide when it comes to buying gifts for your Father. You can however make this task easy by taking out some time to think what your Dad actually likes most. What kind of a Dad do you have? Is he trendy, or does he love sports, or books? Think yourself, do some research, take some help from others and you can get the best gift for your Dad. Here are some interesting ideas for Dads having different interests:

**5.1 For Dads Who Are Trendy** - If your Dad is trendy then he may like to try out all sorts of new and fashionable styles. You can take him to the men's store and let him shop all the fashionable clothing. You can also get him a gift certificate and allow him to spend it as he wishes. This can be a great idea to pamper your Daddy dearest on the father's day.

**5.2 For Dads Who Love Sports** - If you're Dad loves sports then find out which is his favorite one. If he is passionate about football, then which team does he support the most? Knowing these little things can help you in planning a great surprise for your Dad. You can also get him cool sports mementos and memorabilia with the autograph of his favorite sports star. You can also accompany him for a racing show, or play golf and ballgame with him. These activities will help build the bond better and make the best gift for your Father.

**5.3 For Dads Who Love Books** - If your Dad loves books then this Father's Day you can get him a bunch of books of all his favorite authors. Try to find out what kind of books he likes to read most

and you can get him a similar one. Alternatively, you can just take him to a book shop and let him choose his favorite book.

**5.4 For The Dads Who Are Techno Savvy** - If your Dad is techno savvy then maybe he will like all sorts of gadgets and gizmos. There are various websites which sell gadgets and gizmos in discount. Check them out to see if you can get one for him. You can also talk to him to get a hint of what he actually wishes to possess. This can help you plan accordingly and buy a gift that he will love and cherish.

**5.5 For Dads With Love For Mechanical Things** - Is your Dad obsessed about the mechanical things? Maybe you can just gift him some mechanical stuff for his vehicle or garage. He would be more than happy to get the new stuff.

**Chapter 6: Special Activities To  
Enjoy On Father's Day**

Fathers usually don't spend much time at home and this is the reason why children are more close to the mothers. However, fathers are really important and have a major role to play in the life of children. Sons especially don't get enough opportunity to bond with their Dads. Here are some interesting and manly activities that you can enjoy along with your Dad.

Go for Fishing - The image of father and son going on fishing is iconic and special. The fishing thing always works so if you really want to spend some good time with your Dad then go on fishing with him. You will like to recall and remember the times when rig a line or get the first catch. Do not forget to bring along your camera so that you can capture those special moments spent with your Dad.

Playing Catch - This is one of the most favorite pastimes of America. It has created bonding between father and son for several years. There is something special about playing catch with a baseball. It helps greatly in bonding a father and son. It also gives you the much wanted opportunity to open up with him and discuss your views regarding life.

Building a Pinewood Derby Car - Both you and your Dad can together participate in pinewood derby and build a car. You can spend time with your Dad and learn some really interesting skills.

Camping - There cannot be a better way to connect than going on for camping in the great outdoors. There are various camping trips to choose from. Just plan everything in advance and go on a fun

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camping trip with your Dad. This is a wonderful opportunity learn things like how to make use of a pocket knife or how to navigate using a compass. Dads can pass on all the knowledge to the kids and this can help build the bond.

Building a Model Rocket - This is a similar activity like making a pinewood derby car. The only difference is that the model rocket comprises of combustion and fuses. These two things are bound to excite you and your Dad. You can spend some interesting time together by doing these activities.

Visit a Sporting Event - There are several activities that can help to bring men together and sports are one of them. You can enjoy some real good time with your Dad by going on a sporting event and enjoying your favorite sports together.

Wash the car or clean the garage - If your Dad loves his car then this is good times when you can help him clean the car spotlessly clean. He will love you for your thoughtfulness. You can also help your Dad to clean the garage or the attic.

Go for Hunting - It is a great way to bond with your son. If both you and your Dad love to hunt wildlife then this can be an interesting activity to enjoy. This will give you enough time to talk and spend time with your Dad. You can talk on different topics such as sports, politics etc. Even if you don't bring home any trophy from the hunting activity, you are sure to bring home loads of good memories.

Go on a Road Trip - You will enjoy going on long drives with your son. The road trips are interesting activities that you can try out to connect with you son. This can be just a simple

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drive to watch a baseball game or go on a cross-country journey.

Pick up the style statement - If your father likes to stay stylish and fashionable then you can surprise him by taking him to a hair salon. Let him enjoy a fashionable haircut and you will see how his eyes twinkle with excitement. This can be really good as your Dad will enjoy his new look and flaunt it proudly in front of his friends.

## **Chapter 7: Making Cards To Give To Your Father**

Father's day is that special time of the year when you can thank him for all the selfless love and care that he showers on you. If you don't have much time to spend with your Dad or go for any activities due to other important or prior engagements then at least ensure that you drop a greeting card to say that you really love your Father. You can easily create homemade greeting cards for your Dad. The best advantage of creating cards at home is that these greeting cards are quite economical, fun and easy.

For the kids it can be a real fun activity. You can create some really wonderful memories by making homemade greeting cards. Here are the simple steps that can help you create cards at home.

First if all collect all the materials and items that are required to make the greeting cards. The basic materials those are required to making these cards include varieties of color papers, colored pencils, crayons, marker, colorful ribbon, and glue.

Take the construction paper and fold it into half. Now write the words Happy Father's Day on the top of the card. You can make use of different font styles and colors to make the card look really special. After this, you can decorate the card just as you wish by pasting different geometrical cut outs on the card. The most common shapes are hearts and flowers.

In the inside of the card, write some really nice messages for your father. You can mention about the special things that you father has done for you

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throughout these years. You can customize the card exactly to accommodate all the interests of your Dad.

Now, you can just close the completed card and punch a hole in the middle of it. To make it more decorative, just put a bow and ribbon around it.

With the advancement of the Internet technology, you can now create your own greeting card online. You don't need to possess very efficient computer skills. If you know how to use the basic computer skills then this can be just enough for you. You can easily create a nice greeting card at home using simple softwares. Add your own messages and get a print out, and your greeting card is ready to mail.

## **Chapter 8: Special Recipes To Delight Your Dad**

If your Dad loves food then it can be a really great idea to treat with mouthwatering delicacies. There are several interesting recipes that you can choose from to make the day really special for your Dad. Some of the popular recipes are given below:

### **Breakfast Recipes**

- ✓ Ham and Egg Casserole
- ✓ Crispy Fried Oatmeal Slices
- ✓ Roller Coaster Breakfast
- ✓ Canadian Bacon & Corn Pancakes
- ✓ Western Omelet
- ✓ Strawberry Lemon Pancakes
- ✓ Mushroom Quiche with Brown Rice Crust

### **Cake Recipes**

- ✓ Chocolate Marble Cake
- ✓ Fresh Strawberry Cupcakes
- ✓ Sock It To Me Cake
- ✓ Chocolate Malted Milk Cake
- ✓ Blonde Brownies
- ✓ Chocolate Decadence Cake

### **Candy Recipes**

- ✓ Chocolate Walnut Rum Balls
- ✓ Chocolatey Peanut Brittle
- ✓ Clingons (Microwave)
- ✓ Old Fashioned Fudge
- ✓ Caramel Turtles
- ✓ Chocolate Balls with Cherry Centers
- ✓ Baked Nut Candy

### **Cookie Recipes**

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- ✓ Mexican Coffee Liqueur Cookies
- ✓ Peanut-Butter Kisses
- ✓ Deep Dark Chocolate Fudge Cookies
- ✓ Crispie Treats (No Bake)
- ✓ Chocolate Baseball Cookies
- ✓ Chocolate Cinnamon Snaps
- ✓ Chocolate Nut-Filled Cookies

### **Dinner Recipes**

- ✓ Zucchini Chili
- ✓ Baked Fresh Salmon
- ✓ Sesame Chicken Wings
- ✓ Oven Baked Chicken
- ✓ Spicy BBQ Shrimp
- ✓ Sweet-Sour Barbecued Ribs
- ✓ Low-fat Eggplant Macaroni

### **Pie Recipes**

- ✓ Fudge Pecan Pie
- ✓ Chess Pie
- ✓ Classic Mud Pie
- ✓ Apple Blueberry Pie
- ✓ Chocolate Velvet Cheesecake
- ✓ Old-Fashioned Sweet Potato Pie
- ✓ Golden Apple Pie with Rum Sauce

### **Snack Recipes**

- ✓ Grape Cocktail Weiners
- ✓ Nutella Pastry
- ✓ Individual Pizza Crust
- ✓ Touchdown Chocolate Bars
- ✓ Microwave Pizza Submarines
- ✓ Mexican Refried Beans Dip

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- ✓ Quesadilla Con Microwave

**Drink Recipes**

- ✓ Between the Sheets
- ✓ Cherry Bomb
- ✓ Do Be Careful Cocktail
- ✓ Romulan Ale
- ✓ Corkscrew
- ✓ Drink Recipes - No Alcohol
  
- ✓ Peach Surprise
- ✓ Cinnamon Hot Chocolate
- ✓ Non-Alcoholic Punch
- ✓ White Russian
- ✓ Purple Cow

## **Conclusion**

Many cynical people believe that Father's day concept has been created to just create sales for greeting cards and event tickets. However, this is not true as they perhaps don't know the story behind it. Though father's love should be appreciated and recognized throughout the year, it is at times not given much importance due to lack of time and due to the busy schedules.

There are many ways by which you can express your true love for your Dad and make him feel really proud and happy. If you are in the same city as your Dad then ensure that you make it a point to visit him and celebrate the day with him.

If you stay away or are unable to visit your Dad to the day due to any prior appointments then ensure that you at least sent him a greeting card to tell him that you remember him, and that you care.

Father's day is a wonderful concept that lets you thank your Dad for all that he has done for you. It's upon you to make this day as special as you can for him as well as you.