**Activities for Mentors and High School Age Youth**

1. Learn how to write editorials to the newspaper and letters to your local politicians.
2. Watch a movie together, and discuss it afterward.
3. Make t-shirts together with markers, fabric paint, screens, or spray paint and stencils. Or transform old t-shirts. There are online guides with hundreds of ways to remake a t shirt into a new t-shirt, bag, backpack, leggings, skirts, etc.
4. Make a zine (a mini-magazine) about whatever you both have in common. It could be a comic book, literature, poetry, or journals. Photocopy your zine and hand it out.
5. Pick out magazines and tell each other about the strange and fascinating things you find inside. Learning about other cultures and people builds understanding and tolerance.
6. Take old photos and make a scrapbook. Share with each other as you sort through the old photos.
7. Play a board game together. Learning about healthy competition and sportsmanship fosters integrity.
8. Make up your own “dice” game, and after you both agree on all the rules, play it!
9. Do-It-Yourself (DIY) - learn how to make something together that you’d never thought you’d learn how to do. www.instructables.com and www.wikihow.com are loaded with low-cost or free DIY projects, reliable information, and extremely creative (and sometimes zany) ideas.
10. Take turns teaching each other how to do something you are good at.
11. Work on a resume.
12. Learn to write a thank you note.
13. Work on homework together.
14. Play cards together
15. Play catch/Frisbee
16. Hangout and talk
17. Listen & discuss an audiobook
18. Do research on the Internet together
19. Write a story together
20. Take photographs together
21. Use a computer software program together
22. Talk about your first job
23. Do wood working together
24. Take turns listening to favorite music
25. Read a book out loud together
26. Tell each other grandparent stories
27. Tell funny childhood stories
28. Create a superhero costume and take pictures of each other
29. Talk about your first love
30. Show your mentee how to make simple sewing repairs
31. Learn how to polish shoes together
32. Fill out job applications together
33. Fill out financial aid applications
34. Fill out college applications
35. Talk about having a personal budget and how to make it work