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Vacation Ready: A Homeowner's Guide to Summer Security and Preparation

Did You Know...

Bananas are naturally radioactive, and glow blue under black light. They contain potassium, which includes a small amount of the radioactive isotope potassium-40. This makes bananas slightly radioactive, though the levels are so low they're perfectly safe to eat.



Here's a list of ways homeowners can prepare their homes for being away on summer holidays:

- **Secure All Entry Points** - Check and reinforce door and window locks and use deadbolts and security bars where necessary.
- **Notify Neighbors or Friends** - Inform trusted neighbors or friends of your absence and ask them to keep an eye on your property.
- **Set Up Timed Lights** - Use timers for indoor lights to create the illusion that someone is home.
- **Unplug Electronics** - Unplug non-essential electronics to save energy and reduce fire risks.
- **Adjust Thermostat** - Set your thermostat to an energy-efficient temperature to save on cooling costs while ensuring the home remains comfortable.
- **Secure Valuables** - Store valuable items in a safe or a secure place and consider taking them with you.
- **Take Out the Trash** - Empty all trash cans to prevent odors and pest problems.
- **Close Curtains or Blinds** - Close curtains or blinds to maintain privacy and keep the home cooler.
- **Consider Home Security Systems** - Activate your home security system and ensure that it's functioning properly.
- **Document Home Condition** - Take photos or videos of your home's condition before leaving for insurance purposes.



8 Fun Family Ideas to Celebrate Father's Day!

- 1. Outdoor Adventure:** Take dad on a family hike, fishing trip, or backyard games day—perfect for some quality time in the fresh air.
- 2. DIY Craft & Cooking:** Get creative with family-made crafts, cook dad's favorite meal together, or set up a fun dessert decorating station!
- 3. Movie Marathon:** Let dad pick a theme, cozy up with snacks, and enjoy a family movie night with his favorite flicks.
- 4. Share Stories & Memories:** Create a scrapbook, write letters to dad, or interview him about his favorite childhood memories.
- 5. Game Day:** Host a board game or sports tournament with mini-prizes for family-friendly competition.
- 6. Family Volunteering:** Spend part of the day giving back together, whether at a food bank, park cleanup, or local shelter.
- 7. Visit Local Attractions:** Explore a nearby zoo, museum, or historical site that dad loves.
- 8. Personalized Gifts:** Make a "Dad's Coupons" book, fill a jar with notes of appreciation, or create handmade cards for extra-special gifts.

Weird, but True!

Midsummer celebrations are filled with lively singing, and one beloved song is "Små Grodorna," or "Little Frogs." Participants cheerfully sing the lyrics — "the little frogs... are funny to observe" — while dancing around the maypole, playfully hopping like frogs.



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