



[Who Invented Pizza?](#)

[The Secret History of Pizza-Epicurious](#)

Children

Take & Make:

Playdough Pizza kits: include items like pompoms, beans, pasta, rice for toppings or send items for a paper or felt pizza.

Read:

Iwai, Melissa (2017), **Pizza Day**, Henry Holt & Co., 978-1627797900

Lorden, Claire (2016), **Lorenzo, the Pizza-Loving Lobster**, Little Bee Books, 978-1499802283

Rubin, Adam (2013), **Secret Pizza Party**, Dial Books, 978-0803739475

Steig, William (1998), **Pete's a Pizza**, Harper Collins, 978-0062051578

Sturges, Philomen (2002), **The Little Red Hen (Makes a Pizza)**, Puffin Books, 978-0142301890

Watch:

Song/Game:

This Is the Way We Make a Pizza Pie

Original Author Unknown

(Tune: Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush)

This is the way we mix the dough,

mix the dough, mix the dough

This is the way we mix the dough

to make a pizza pie. (*mixing motion*)

Continue with the following verses:

This is the way we knead the dough... (*kneading motion*)

This is the way we roll the dough... (*rolling motion*)

This is the way we toss the dough... (*tossing motion*)

This is the way we spread the sauce... (*spreading motion*)

This is the way we sprinkle the cheese... (*sprinkling motion*)

This is the way we bake the pizza! (*pantomime putting pizza in over*)

Ending Verse: This is the way we eat the pizza! (*pantomime eating*)

Pat-a-Cake Pizza Man

Original Author Unknown

Pat-a-cake, pat-a-cake, Pizza Man.

Make me a pizza as fast as you can!

Roll it and toss it and sprinkle it with cheese.

And don't forget the pepperonis, please!

Activity:

- *Pete's a Pizza* is such a fun book for parents to reenact with their littles or children can use a doll or stuffy to retell the story themselves.
- Make a [Pizza Coloring Page](#) from Crayola.
- Have a math lesson with pizza fractions.
- [Roll and Build a Pizza Pack](#) from <http://moreexcellentme.com/roll-and-top-pizza-game/>
- [Free Pizza Dramatic Play printable](#) from Oh Miss Jill in NH
- [Free printable chef hat](#) from primaryplayground.net
- [Paper Plate Pizza craft](#) or [popsicle stick pizza craft](#) from gluedtomycraftsblog.com
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Teen/Adult

Take & Make:

[Rice Krispies Pizza](#)

Master Pizza Dough ([Recipe and video tutorial](#) from sallysbakingaddiction.com)

Program Ideas:

- Host a write for your pizza contest. Using the prompts--hold a contest with prize(s) being a coupon for a pizza from your favorite local pizzeria.



NATIONAL PIZZA DAY 
journal prompts
for students

- The average American consumes approximately 23 pounds of pizza each year. Where do you think your pizza consumption falls in line with this number—is it above or below average? Describe how often and what kinds of pizza you enjoy.
- What is the most memorable pizza you've ever eaten? What makes it stick out in your mind?
- Which restaurant or restaurant chain has the best pizza? Why?
- If you could make a [local city]-style pizza, what would it be like? What characteristics would make it unique?
- What is the most important component that goes into making a delicious pizza? Why?
- Would you rather have an endless lifetime supply of frozen pizza or a single weekly delivery from your favorite pizza place for one year? Why?
- Which is better—cheap, greasy pizza or elaborate, more expensive pizza? Why? Discuss the merits of each.
- Compare and contrast your favorite and least favorite types of pizza.
- How will you celebrate this National Pizza Day? Describe your plans in delicious detail.

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