Family Vacation Checklist

A complete family vacation checklist covering documents, kids' clothing and gear, entertainment, snacks, safety and travel-day essentials.

Documents and Planning

- [ ] Passports or IDs for every family member
- [ ] Booking confirmations and tickets
- [ ] Travel insurance and health cards
- [ ] Copies of kids' birth certificates if traveling abroad
- [ ] Emergency contacts and pediatrician's number
- [ ] Check the weather at your destination
  Pack layers so kids stay comfortable in any conditions.

Kids' Clothing

- [ ] Outfits for each day plus extra changes
- [ ] Pajamas and underwear with spares
- [ ] Layers, a warm top, and a rain jacket
- [ ] Comfortable shoes and sandals
- [ ] Sun hats and swimwear if needed
- [ ] A change of clothes in the carry-on per child

Baby and Toddler Gear

- [ ] Diapers, wipes, and a changing pad
- [ ] Stroller or carrier
- [ ] Car seat if required
- [ ] Bottles, formula, or baby food
- [ ] Bibs, burp cloths, and a sippy cup
- [ ] Portable crib or travel bed if needed

Entertainment

- [ ] Tablet with downloaded shows and movies
- [ ] Headphones for each child
- [ ] Coloring books, crayons, and sticker books
- [ ] Travel games and a deck of cards
- [ ] Favorite small toys and a comfort item
- [ ] Audiobooks and a kids' playlist

Snacks and Mealtime

- [ ] Familiar, mess-free snacks for the journey
- [ ] Refillable water bottles for everyone
- [ ] Reusable snack containers and a spill-proof cup

- [ ] A few treats for long travel days
- [ ] Wet wipes and a small trash bag
- [ ] Cooler bag for perishables on road trips

Health and Safety

- [ ] Family first-aid kit with kids' pain reliever
- [ ] Daily medications and a thermometer
- [ ] Sunscreen and insect repellent
- [ ] Hand sanitizer and tissues
- [ ] Motion-sickness remedy if needed
- [ ] ID bracelet or a card with parents' phone numbers
  Helpful in case a child gets separated in a crowd.

Travel-Day Essentials

- [ ] Carry-on with snacks, wipes, and spare clothes
- [ ] Phone, chargers, and a power bank
- [ ] Light blankets and travel pillows
- [ ] Reusable bags for laundry and wet items
- [ ] Cash and cards in an accessible spot
- [ ] A printed itinerary so everyone knows the plan