

Dear Parents,

Your child has worked very hard this year!
According to research,* students who do not read over the summer can lose as much as 22% of their reading level. That means 2 months of school, down the drain!

You can help prevent this summer reading loss by encouraging your child to read over the summer. Try to read something everyday, whether it's a book, recipe, or a menu. Every word counts.

Here's to making this a summer of reading!

*Research from Reading is Fundamental http://www.rif.org/us/literacy-resources/articles/keeping-kids-off-the-summer-slide.htm



Read a Book Online

Here are some great websites to read online:

Storyline Online—celebrities read aloud favorite children's books

http://www.storylineonline.net

International Children's Library—a large collection of stories from around the world

http://en.childrenslibrary.org

Storynory—a variety of fun and colorful stories to read online

http://www.storynory.com

PBS Kids—fun, animated stories perfect for reading along

http://pbskids.org/lions/stories/













Grades K-2
Margaret Wise Brown
Eric Carle
Leo Leonni
Mary Pope Osborne
Dr. Seuss

Barbara Park Donald Crews Lois Ehlert

Sandra Boynton

Bill Martin Jr.

Jan Brett Marc Brown Tomie DePaola Steven Kellogg Maurice Sendak

Jane Yolen



Grades 3-5

Sharon Creech Louis Sachar Lemony Snicket Shel Slverstein Jeff Kinney RJ Palacio Lois Lowry Jack Prelutsky Madeline L'Engle Beverly Cleary Patricia Polacco EB White Roald Dahl Chris VanAllsburg Judy Blume Jean Fritz





Summer Reading Ideas

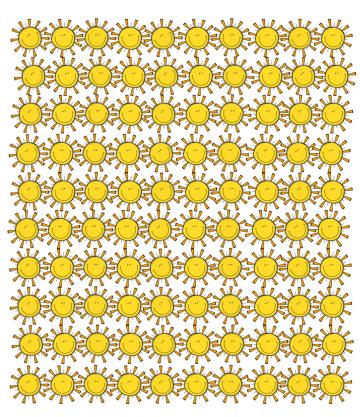
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- *Visit the public library
- *Visit the bookstore
- *Listen to books while driving
- *Take turns reading
- *Find fun places to read
- *Try a new book series
- *Re-read an old favorite
- *Swap books with a friend
- *Find books at a thrift store
- *Read books about places you hope to visit one day
- *Have a family poetry reading night with a microphone
- *Have a reading picnic on a blanket outside
- *Read books, then watch the movie version and compare



Summer Reading Challenge

Goal: Read 1,500 minutes this summer!

Each represents 15 minutes. Every time you read for 15 minutes, check off one sun. When you check all of the suns, that means you have read for 1,500 minutes!



I read minutes this summer!

My favorite book that I read:

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A Guide for Parents

