

Summer Reading Ideas



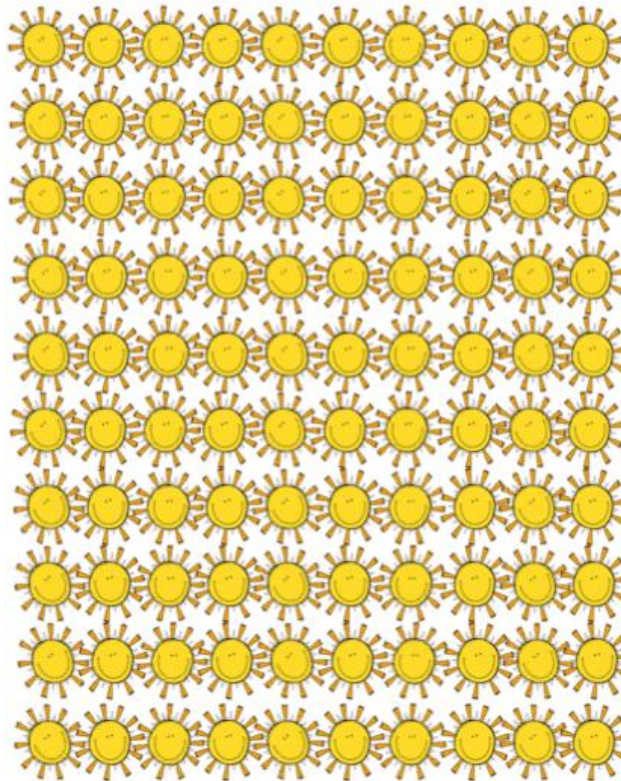
- *Visit the public library
- *Visit the bookstore
- *Listen to books while driving
- *Take turns reading
- *Find fun places to read
- *Try a new book series
- *Re-read an old favorite
- *Swap books with a friend
- *Find books at a thrift store
- *Read books about places you hope to visit one day
- *Have 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 100 books this summer!

Each sun represents 1 book. Every time you read a book, check off one sun. When you check all of the suns, that means you have read 100 books!



I read _____ books this summer!

My favorite book that I read:

Summer Reading

A Guide for Parents





Read a Book Online

Here are some great websites to read online:

RAZ Kids – for student in Kindergarten and Grade 1, RAZ kids accounts will remain open for the entire summer!
www.kidsa-z.com

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>

DOGOnews—current events news stories and articles on a variety of nonfiction topics <https://dogonews.com>

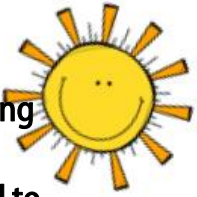
Teach Your Monster to Read! A fun online game for early readers! www.teachyourmonstertoread.com

Hamilton Public Library – You are able to check out free e-books for Kindle or other tablets! www.hpl.ca

TVO Kids – www.tvokids.com



More Reading and Writing Fun!



Don’t make reading and writing a chore...there are many fun ways to encourage your child to continue to read and write this summer!

- Check out your local library for their many activities and reading incentive programs offered
- Encourage your child to keep a journal or write stories
 - A fun notebook from the dollar store, paired with a fancy pen makes for a great writing activity.
 - Sidewalk chalk and water guns are fun ways to write sight words on the sidewalk
 - Crayola makes “Window Writers” - markers to write on the window! Write a sentence about your day on the front window!
 - Have your child make your shopping list (encourage your child to sound out the letters in the word)
- Read to a stuffy!
- Be a role model – pick up a book and read!



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 (www.rif.org)

