

Second Grade Summer Reading project



Choose a book from the list below. Read the book this summer with your child. Choose 1 of the project ideas listed below to complete about your book choice. Each child will complete the project on their own. Parents can guide them through it, but it must be completed by your child.

Book Title-Choose 1:

Junie B. Jones Loves Handsome Warren by Barbara Park-2.7

Magic Tree House #6 Afternoon on the Amazon by Mary Pope Osborne-2.7

Mercy Watson to the Rescue by Kate Camilo-2.7

Dragon Masters Rise of the Earth Dragon by Tracey West-3.1

Magic Tree House High Tide in Hawaii by Mary Pope Osborne-3.4

A to Z Mysteries: The Haunted Hotel by Ron Roy-3.4

Sophie Mouse: A New Friend by Poppy Green-3.4

Magic Tree House Camp Time in California by Mary Pope Osborne-3.5

Flat Stanley His Original Adventure by Jeff Brown-4.0

Choose 1:

1. Create a collage (11"x14" in size) from the story, it must include characters (names also), setting, plot, and your favorite part of the story. The Title and Author must be visible
2. Create a movie poster (11"x14" in size) of the book retelling the main events of the story.
3. Create a book jacket/cover (Front and Back of book, 11"x14") different than the one already on the book, to excite readers and make them want to read it. It must include a short summary for back cover, Title and Name of Author, with picture for front cover.

Complete Project-It Must Be Handed in

august 9, 2023, the First Day of School!

***Be able to talk about your collage in reference to the book. You will be expected to present your project to the class and you will receive your first reading grade for it.**

Easy Ways to Avoid the Summer Slide

Finally! It's summer—that long-awaited time to enjoy some extra rest and recreation. But did you know too much kicking back can be harmful to your child's learning?

Why is it so important to prevent Summer Slide?

Studies show that students can lose up to two months of math and literacy skills over the summer.

When children don't read over the summer, they can ultimately fall 2 years behind by 5th grade. It's always important to support your child's learning at home, and over the summer, this is critical.

How can I prevent Summer Slide?

1. Choose the Right Books

Think of this as the "Goldilocks Effect." If your kid's book is too easy, she'll get bored. If her book is too hard, she'll get frustrated and give up. When your child reads a "just right" book, she should be challenged but engaged. Ask your child's teacher or a children's librarian for help if you're not sure what your child's reading level is.

2. Set Goals

Sit down with your child and set some summer reading goals together. Depending on your child's age, you might want to shoot for one book a week, or an hour of reading time a day. Make sure your goals are realistic, and set up a reward system. For example, if she finishes three books, take a trip to the movie theater or get an ice cream cone.

3. Make it fun!

Your kids will want to read if you sneak books into all the fun activities you do. Heading to the beach? Pack some books with you. Try going on a "reading picnic" in the park. Play games or puzzles together that will require your child to read words. Sing songs or nursery rhymes with younger ones.

4. Go the Library

Public libraries often have great summer programs for kids, and these are usually inexpensive or free. While you're there, let your child pick out some new books – they'll be much more excited to crack open a book if he chose it himself.

5. Read Every Day

Practice makes perfect, and reading is no exception! Show your kids that reading is a priority, and they will treat it that way too. In the meantime, enjoy snuggling up with your child and sharing a book – these moments will help establish a love of reading and a closer bond with your family.

6. Word Games

Although results for reading skills are mixed, spelling skills for most children decline during the summer. A fun solution to this problem is word games. Whether online or in print, crossword puzzles, word searches, Scrabble, or any other games that challenge your child's spelling skills will go a long

way in helping to avoid the summer slide. Learning Liftoff's *Reading with a Twist* is also a great way to encourage word games.

7. Math Games

It seems the area of the brain that handles math functions needs a regular workout to stay in top form. During the summer, students' highest learning losses are in mathematical computation, which involves remembering facts and procedures. Online games and apps that require the use of addition, subtraction, multiplication, geometry, algebra, and other kinds of mathematical problem-solving skills can provide your child a great way to stay sharp. Track your child's progress in keeping up with math problems and games this summer by using our Math Log that you can print directly from Learning Liftoff.