

## Tips for Families

- Be sure the summer schedule includes trips to the library.
- Encourage your child to talk with you about the books he/she is reading.
- Turn off the TV and video games for part of each day. Set aside time throughout the day to share and talk about the books you are both reading.
- Be a model for reading.
- Encourage your child to read all types of materials: newspapers, information books, comics, picture books, chapter books, magazines, and poetry, rhymes and even riddles.
- Always praise your child's efforts and interest in books.
- You can help prevent reading loss this summer!

## Parent Resources

[www.aacpl.net/summer](http://www.aacpl.net/summer)

[www.colorincolorado.org/?langswitch=en](http://www.colorincolorado.org/?langswitch=en)

[www.scholastic.com/parents/](http://www.scholastic.com/parents/)

[www.pbs.org/parents/](http://www.pbs.org/parents/)

[www.todayparent.com/family/fun-and-safe-kids-websites/](http://www.todayparent.com/family/fun-and-safe-kids-websites/)

**For more information contact the Elementary Reading & Integrated Literacy Office at 410-222-5455**

## Sign up for the 2019 Summer @ Your Library Challenge

To sign-up online go to [aacpl.beanstack.org](http://aacpl.beanstack.org)  
or fill out this form and return it to your  
local library branch.

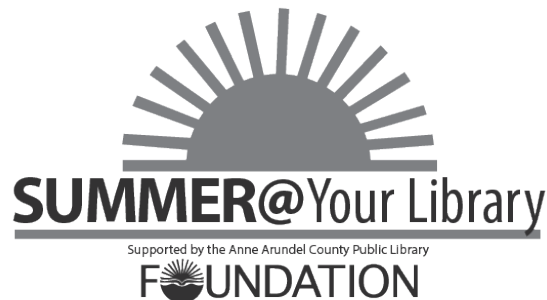
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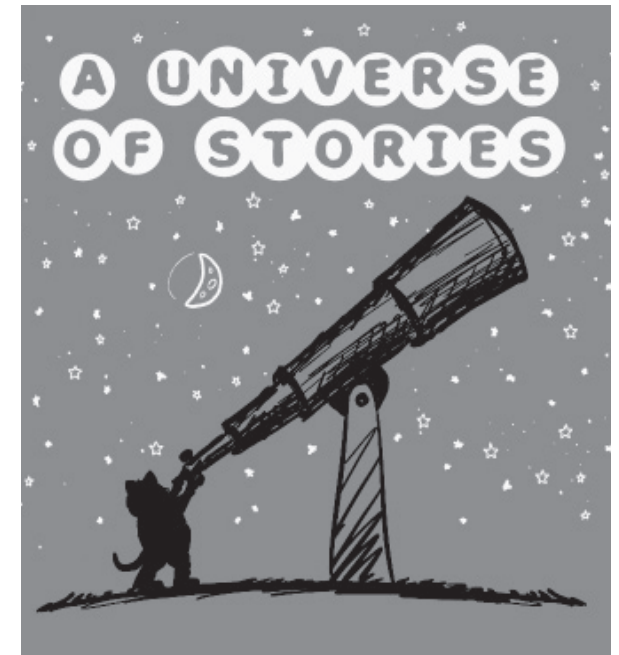
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# Summer Reading

Suggested reading for students entering  
**Kindergarten**  
in 2019



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# Families are Important!

## Be a Reading Family and Commit to Summer Reading!

The research says: "Summer reading loss refers to the decline in a child's reading development that can occur during summer vacation when they are away from the classroom and not participating in formal literacy programs" (Allington & McGill-Franzen, 2003). The research is consistent: when children do not read during the summer, the impact of summer reading loss is significant for all. Students who do not read during the summer lose approximately three months of progress. These months accumulate over time and students may continue to fall behind their peers.

Our goal is to keep students reading year round in order to maintain their current reading level. We want to stop the summer learning slide.



The titles on this list are suggestions, and other books may be substituted.  
Ask your librarian for recommendations.

# Kindergarten

*Balance the Birds* by Susie Ghahremani

*The Bear in the Book* by Kate Banks

*Building Our House* by Jonathan Bean

*Cricket in the Thicket* by Carol Murray

*The Day the Crayons Came Home* by Drew Daywalt

*Frog Song* by Brenda Z. Guiberson

*Good Rosie* by Kate DiCamillo. Illustrated by Harry Bliss

*If You Plant a Seed* by Kadir Nelson

*Just Ducks!* by Nicola Davies

*Last Stop on Market Street* by Matt de la Pena

*The Man From the Land of Fandango* by Magaret Mahy

*My People* by Langston Hughes

*Not a Box* by Antoinette Portis

*Penguin on Vacation* by Salina Yoon

*Pete the Cat: Rocking in My School Shoes* by Eric Litwin

*Planes Fly!* by George Ella Lyon

*Shoe Dog* by Megan McDonald

*Waiting* by Kevin Henkes

*Watermelon Seed* by Greg Pizzoli

*Wolfie the Bunny* by Ame Dyckman

*The Good for Nothing Button!* by Charise Harper

*We Found a Hat* by Jon Klassen

*A Hungry Lion, or a Dwindling Assortment of Other Animals*  
by Lucy Ruth Cummins

# Websites to Build Reading Skills and Knowledge

## Reading Rockets

[www.readingrockets.org/article/391](http://www.readingrockets.org/article/391)

10 weeks of summer reading adventures for kids.

## ReadWriteThink

[www.readwritethink.org/parent-afterschool-resources/](http://www.readwritethink.org/parent-afterschool-resources/)

Parent & After-school resources; leveled by grade (K – 12).

## Epic

[www.getepic.com/](http://www.getepic.com/)

Over 35,000 digital texts

## Discovery Kids

<https://online.kidsdiscover.com/>

Discover all the world has to offer.

## Starfall

[www.starfall.com](http://www.starfall.com)

Great site to practice literacy skills.

## Kids Reads

[www.kidsreads.com](http://www.kidsreads.com)

Find out about your favorite books, series, and authors.