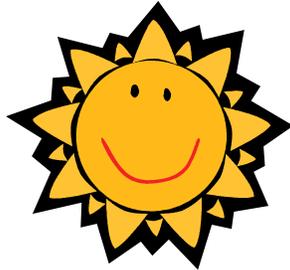


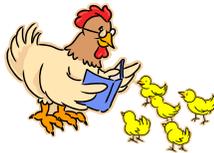
First Grade Summer Activities Packet

Get Ready for 2nd Grade!



This is by no means a comprehensive list. These are simply suggestions of activities you can use to help you practice reading, writing, and math skills through the summer. Try to practice everyday, or at least every other day. Have a great summer!

Reading Activities:



Dig into Reading @ Your Library: Summer Reading Program Kick - Off!

The summer reading program kicks off on Saturday, June 16th at the Bucks County Library Center in Doylestown. Children can sign up online or pick up their reading logs and start reading to earn weekly prizes. One prize per week will be awarded per participant. Visit the Doylestown Library website to find out about story times and other fun events sponsored by the Bucks County Library system.

<http://buckslib.org/>

Barnes & Noble Summer Reading

Log your reading to earn a free book.

https://www.barnesandnoble.com/b/summer-reading/_/N-rs9

Web sites with information and free literacy activities



PBS Teacher Source and PBS Kids

www.pbs.org

Resources for teachers, kids and parents, connected to your child's favorite PBS shows.

Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) Reading Planet

<http://www.rif.org/kids/readingplanet.htm>

Games, articles, booklists and activities to keep you busy all summer.

Print and Learn for Kids

www.brobstsystems.com/kids/

Offers downloadable and printable worksheets, sorted by grade level.

Reading Adventure

www.bookadventure.com/

A free reading motivation program for children in grades K-8.

Story Line Online

<http://www.storylineonline.net/>

The Screen Actors Guild brings this online-streaming video program where SAG members read books aloud to kids.

CBSD Grade 2 Summer Reading List

FICTION

Adler, David A.—*Cam Jansen and the Mystery of the Carnival Prize* or other books in this series

Allard, Harry—*Miss Nelson is Missing* or any title by this author

Brett, Jan—*Honey, Honey Lion* or any title by this author

Brown, Marc—*Arthur's Computer Disaster* or any title by this author

Brown, Marcia—*Stone Soup*

Cherry, Lynne—*How Groundhog's Garden Grew*

Christopher Matt—*The Dog that Called the Pitch* or other books in this series

Cleary, Beverly—*Two Times the Fun*

Cole, Joanna—*Bony-Legs*

Cronin, Doreen—*Diary of a Worm* or any title by this author

Dadey, Debbie—*Genies Don't Ride Bicycles* [The Bailey School Kids Series]

DePaola, Tomie—*Strega Nona* or any title by this author

Elliott, Laura—*Hunter's Best Friend at School*

Fox, Mem—*Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge* or any title by this author

Funke, Cornelia—*The Princess Knight*

Giff, Patricia Reilly—*The Beast in Ms.*

Rooney's Room [Ms. Rooney books]

Giff, Patricia Reilly—*Today Was A Terrible Day* [Ronald Morgan books]

Hayes, Geoffrey—*The Mystery of the Pirate Ghost* [Otto and Uncle Tooth books]

Henkes, Kevin—*Julius, the Baby of the World* or any title by this author

Hoban, Lillian—*Arthur's Honey Bear* or other books in this series

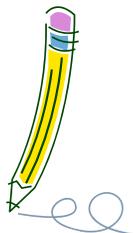
Hoose, Phillip—*Hey, Little Ant*
Kellogg, Steven—*Chicken Little* or any title by this author
Lester, Julius—*Sam and the Tigers*
Lobel, Arnold—*Frog and Toad* or any title by this author
Long, Melinda—*How I Became a Pirate*
Marshall, James—*George and Martha* or any title by this author
McDermott, Gerald—*Anansi the Spider*
Osborne, Mary Pope—*Dinosaurs Before Dark* [The Magic Tree House Series]
Parish, Peggy—*Amelia Bedelia* or other books in this series
Pilkey, Dav—*Ricky Ricotta's Giant Robot* [Ricky Ricotta Series]
Polacco, Patricia—*The Bee Tree* or any title by this author
Sachar, Louis—*Marvin Redpost. Kidnapped at Birth?* [Marvin Redpost books]
Salat, Cristina—*Peanut's Emergency*
Sharmat, Marjorie W.—*Nate the Great* or any title by this author
Vail, Rachel—*Mama Rex and T Stay Up Late* or other books in this series
Viorst, Judith—*Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day*
Van Allsburg, Chris—*Jumanji* or any title by this author
Wiseman, Bernard—*Morris and Boris* or other books in this series
Wood, Audrey—*King Bidgood's in the Bathtub*

NON_FICTION

Cole, Joanna—*the Magic School Bus Series*
Donnelly, Judy—*The Titanic Lost— and Found* [and other Step Into Reading Titles]
Eyewitness Junior Books
Gibbons, Gail—*Dinosaurs* or any title by this author

After reading, choose 1 of the following activities:

- Make a connection to the story, with another story, your life, or the world. Don't forget to use the words "just like" in your connection.
- Write about your favorite part.
- Write down interesting words or especially descriptive words from the book.
- Write and illustrate a summary of the book.
- Make a comic strip of the main events in the story.
- Write a poem or song about the book.
- Compare and contrast 2 characters in the story. How are they alike and different?
- Write a letter to the author or illustrator.
- Write down at least 3 new facts you learned.
- Complete the story map.



Writing Activities:

Write every day, or at least every other day.

Summer Writing Ideas for Kids

1. What's the most important thing you would like to do this summer?
2. Summertime is great for the outdoors. Go for a walk. Write a sentence about the walk you went on.
3. What is your favorite thing to do when you play outdoors in the summer?
4. What is your favorite thing to do when you play inside? Why do you play inside in the summertime?
5. If you could go on a summer vacation anywhere in the world, where would you go?
6. Make a list of groceries that you think mom or dad should buy for you from the store.
7. Tell about an animal you would like to have for a pet.
8. What would you do if there was a dragon stuck under your bed?
9. What is the funniest thing that you have ever seen?
10. What is something you would like to learn more about?
11. What kind of pet do you think a teacher should get for their classroom?
12. What is the best movie you have ever seen?
13. Tell about your favorite book.
14. Tell about your favorite holiday. Explain why it is your favorite.
15. Tell about your favorite restaurant. Why is it your favorite?
16. Write a poem about what you think next school year will be like.
17. What is something you love about yourself and why?
18. If you could change anything about yourself, what would it be and why?
19. Make a list of the things you are most thankful for in your life.
20. Which season do you like the most?? Why??
21. Which season do you like the least?? Why????
22. You just won \$1,000,000. What are you going to do first?
23. Tell about a time when you were kind to someone.
24. Tell about your favorite song.
25. Write a story about the mysterious zizybaloooh that you just found in your bathtub.
26. What is something that makes you ANGRY!!!! Why?
27. Tell about your favorite sport.
28. Tell about the last time you cried.
29. What are you scared of and why?

30. You found a magic wand! What would you do with it?
31. Tell about your favorite food and why it is so good.
32. Have a family member write something about you in your journal today.
33. What would happen to you if you never went to school?
34. In first grade (or second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth grade...), I want to learn about...
35. This is a list of things I like to do when I can't watch television or play video games.
36. If a cat or dog could talk, what would they say?

Ideas from http://journalbuddies.com/journal_prompts_journal_topics/summer-writing-for-kids-37-fabulous-ideas-to-write-about/

Elementary Writing Journal Prompts and Story Starters for Kids

1. Imagine that you can become invisible whenever you wanted to? What are some of the things you would do.
2. I am very proud because...
3. If I were President I would...
4. If I were a turtle living in a pond, I would ...
5. I am afraid to _____ because
6. Name one thing you do really well? Give lots of details telling why.
7. What is your favorite room in your home and why?
8. Describe what it means to be a good neighbor?
9. What is your favorite time of day? Why?
10. Describe your best day ever?
11. How do you deal with people who bug you?
12. What excites you?
13. Describe your favorite hobby.
14. What is your favorite quote by a famous person? Why?
15. What is your favorite song and why?
16. Climbing trees is...
17. I wish trees could _____ because....
18. I want to be a _____ when I grow up. Then I will....
19. I wish there were a law that said.....
20. I wish I could forget the time I _____ because....
21. I wish I could do _____ because.....
22. Older people are...
23. Younger people are...
24. The perfect place in the whole wide world is _____ because ...

25. What makes you feel sad? Why?
26. What makes you feel happy? Why?
27. What can you do to help you feel better when you're feeling blue?
28. Name your favorite book and why?
29. If I were a raindrop, I'd ...
30. What I know about rabbits is that
31. If I were an Easter egg...
32. For lunch today...
33. Pretend that you can fly whenever you wanted. Where would you go?
34. Pretend that there is no such thing as television, Internet, or video games.
What do you do with all your time?
35. My favorite stuffed animal or toy is...
36. Imagine if cows gave green juice instead of milk! What would the world look like?
37. Imagine that all the streets are rivers? How do you get around?
38. What would happen if it really did rain cats and dogs?
39. If I were a snake, I'd ...
40. Use descriptive words like amazing, incredible, outrageous, super-fun or mind-blowing in your journal entry.
41. If I could choose a different name, I would choose...
42. Let's go _____. Describe your adventure.
43. Write a letter to your Mom, Dad, friend, cousin, classmate.
44. What would happen if animals could talk?
45. What questions would you would like to ask animals and what would their answers be?
46. What would you do if you were in the middle of the lake and your boat springs a leak?
47. What would you do if you suddenly woke up in another country and no one could understand a word you said! What would you do?
48. Write a poem about your favorite person, animal, or place.
49. What is your dream vacation?

Ideas from <http://journalbuddies.com/teacher-parent-resources/48-thought-provoking-elementary-writing-prompts/>

Math Activities:



- Practice using your triangles for ADDITION and SUBTRACTION
- Go to everydaymathonline.com and use your username and password from this year to practice Everyday Math games.
- Play board games that use math skills: Monopoly, Chutes and Ladders, Uno, Sorry, Checkers, etc.
- Practice using fractions as you measure ingredients for recipes. Try doubling or halving the recipe.
- Practice math games online
- Complete any unused pages from your math journals, especially Math Boxes.



Problem Solving Tasks to Practice:

Birthday Problem: <http://mathwire.com/problemsolving/birthdays.pdf>

Largest Sum: <http://mathwire.com/problemsolving/2largestsum.pdf>

Bean Bags: <http://mathwire.com/problemsolving/beanbags.pdf>

Ice Cream Treat: <http://mathwire.com/problemsolving/2icecreamtreat.pdf>

King Street: <http://mathwire.com/problemsolving/2kingstreet.pdf>

Odd-Even Game: <http://mathwire.com/problemsolving/oddevengame.pdf>

Stoplights: <http://mathwire.com/problemsolving/stoplights.pdf>

Good Websites for All Content Areas

www.everydaymathonline.com

www.funbrain.com

www.learningscience.org

www.pbskids.org

www.spellingcity.com

www.brainpop.com

www.storylineonline.net

www.primarygames.com

www.enchantedlearning.com

www.starfall.com

<http://www.factmonster.com>

www.gamequarium.com/languagearts.htm