



Keep Kids Reading and Learning

Educators: Help your students improve skills through reading during the summer months.

10 Ideas to Keep Students Engaged this Summer

1. Encourage your students to get a library card at their local public library. It's free!
2. Share with students what YOU plan to read over the summer.
3. Have students talk about a list of books they'd like to read during the summer.
4. Does your local public library have online registration for Summer Reading? Spend an hour of class time to have students sign up!
5. Invite a public librarian to talk about the summer reading program events and slogan: "Tails and Tales" for children and teens. Work with your public library to arrange pop-up library activities or events at summer food distribution sites.
6. Collaborate with your school librarian to use books and other resources in your classroom to explore ideas for improving the community, environment, and the world as part of the "Tails and Tales" summer reading theme.
7. Invite local community members from different professions and organizations to your class as part of "Tails and Tales."
8. Connect with the local public library to find out about Summer Reading events and activities for students.
9. Encourage your students to post about their summer reading experiences and share when they return to school in the fall.
10. If your legislator offers a summer reading program, your students can join that and visit their local library to get the perks from both.



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For information and educational activities check out *Summer Reading at New York Libraries* websites:

www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/summer

www.summerreadingnys.org