

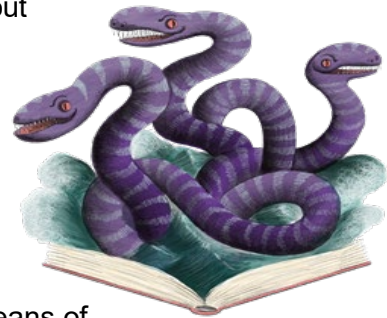


## Keep Kids Reading and Learning

Help students improve their skills through reading and visiting the library 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. Many libraries are now fine free!
2. Share with students what YOU plan to read over the summer.
3. Have students talk about or share on social media the books they want to read this summer.
4. Does your local public library have online registration for Summer Reading? Spend some class time showing them how to sign up!
5. Invite local public library staff to connect in person or virtually about exciting summer reading program events for children and teens. Work with public libraries to arrange pop-up library activities or events at summer food distribution or school sites.
6. Collaborate with your school librarian to explore ideas for improving the community, environment, and world as part of the summer reading or learning on any topic of interest!
7. Invite local community members from different professions and organizations to your class to promote summer learning and “Oceans of Possibilities.”
8. Connect with local public libraries to find out more about planned Summer Reading events and activities for students. Ask them to create materials you can share with families and students.
9. Encourage your students to post about and share their summer reading plans and experiences or help them start and host online book discussion groups.
10. If your legislator offers a summer reading program, your students can join that and participate through their local library to get benefits 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](http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/summer)  
[www.summerreadingnys.org](http://www.summerreadingnys.org)

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