

# SUPER READER Summer Countdown



Write a letter to your family explaining how and where you love to read.



Set up a reading nook in your home. Make it cozy and somewhere you'd like to return to.

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Decorate a list of the books you've read this year! Celebrate!



Think about what you loved about the books you read this year—how can you find more books like that?



Create a class reading-buddy blog: Who can you share thoughts about books with this summer?



Make a reading goal for the number of books you'd like to read this summer!



Decorate your reading goal and send copies to your family. How can they help you reach this goal?



Visit to a local library or find books online that you'd love to read.

Bookmark or check out these books to get started.



Read a book in your book nook.

Does your nook feel comfortable? How can you make it better?



Write a letter to yourself to open at the end of the summer. What are your hopes and dreams for your reading life this summer?

## Summer Begins!

### **Family Summer Reading Tips**

#### Week 1: Belonging

Now that your child is home for the summer, invite him or her to choose a comfortable space at home in which to read each day. Where and with whom does your child feel a sense of belonging?

Encourage your child to choose books at the library that make him or her feel comfortable.

This is a week for instilling a love of reading at home!

#### Week 2: Curiosity

What is your child most curious about? Allow him or her to explore this question and others through reading online articles, books, and other forms of media to find out more.

Share with your child things you are curious about and how you found out more. Research something together! Show your child that curiosity is part of a rich reading life.

#### Week 3: Friendship

Encourage your child to reach out to someone and read with him or her!

Allow your child to build connections through reading.

Talk with your child about the characters in his or her books. Are they friends? What kind of friends might they be? How has your child shown friendship?

#### Week 4: Kindness

Create a kindness action of the day for you and your child. Explain how it made you feel to do a kind act and allow your child to express his or her feelings as well.

Look out for kind characters in books! Allow your child to express, through drawing, writing, or speaking, how the character showed kindness and what he or she learned from that.

#### Week 5: Confidence

Build confidence by telling your child the great things you have noticed about him or her as a reader! Allow your child to revel in these successes.

Have a reading celebration at home or somewhere outside, where your child can show off any new skills and confidently read a story to friends or family.

#### Week 6: Courage

Ask your child to point out a courageous character in a book he or she read this summer.

Ask your child to express why and how the character was courageous.

Discuss with your child any courageous acts he or she can take, small or big, that might make home, community, or the world a better place.

#### Week 7: Hope

Summer is drawing to a close! Encourage your child to express his or her hopes and dreams for the next school year. What does she hope to learn? Who does he hope to be?



Ask your child about something he or she has read that created hope. What is his or her hope for the world?

