

Ideas for Parents: Summer Reading

Ideas from Campbell USD teachers to encourage children to read during summer break.



Children who don't read during the summer can lose up to two months of learning by the time they return to school in the fall. That's why our teachers have put together this list of options for parents who want to maintain or develop their child's literacy during the summer.

1. **"Read for the Win"** summer reading challenge offered through Santa Clara County libraries, including San Jose and Campbell, begins June 1st. Parents can get more information or sign up online at <https://www.sjpl.org/summer> . By reading a certain amount of time each day or a certain number of books, students can enter to win prizes.
2. **"Teach Your Monster to Read"** is a free online game that offers three levels of support for readers, from learning letters and sounds to alternative spellings like eight and they. At the upper levels it includes "tricky" or non-decodable words and comprehension practice in addition to phonics. Parents can learn more and sign up here: <http://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/>
3. **I Am Raising a Reader** is a new program developed to help families develop, practice, and maintain home-based literacy routines, offered by Raising a Reader, a nationwide non-profit organization that supports early literacy with take-home book bags in preschool through 1st grade. Parents can learn more and sign up for this program directly through the Raising a Reader website: <http://www.raisingareader.org/what-we-do/core-program/for-families/>



This 6 week program will cost parents \$65. Every Monday, students will receive a copy of Ladybug magazine in the mail. Mondays and Thursdays, parents will receive links to short videos that introduce a reading or comprehension skill, model academic conversations about books, and offer ideas for fun, interactive activities to practice various literacy skills.

Prevent learning loss during summer break by encouraging children to read.

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