



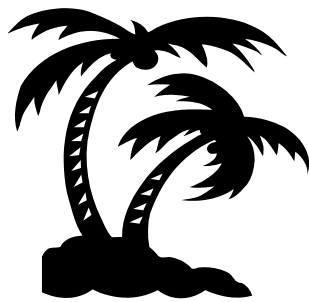
# Summer Learning Ideas



Beat the summer slump by continuing your child's learning during the summer months. Here are some fun ideas to get you started.

## Reading

- Visit your local library for the Summer Reading Program to earn fun prizes for reading.
- Have your child pick out affordable and interesting books by visiting yard sales and thrift stores
- Choose a fun book to read together. Discuss the book as you read and model what good readers do.
  - Chapter Book Ideas: <http://www.feelslikehomeblog.com/2013/04/101-chapter-books-to-read-before-you-grow-up/>
- Research a topic of interest by visiting the library and/or websites. For example, [www.kidrex.org](http://www.kidrex.org)
- Practice Phonics Skills [www.starfall.com](http://www.starfall.com)
- TumbleBooks! Wonderful site where books are read to students: <http://more.ppld.org:8080/kids/>



## Math:

Online Games:

[www.xtramath.org](http://www.xtramath.org)

[www.funbrain.com](http://www.funbrain.com)

[www.mathfactcafe.com](http://www.mathfactcafe.com)

[www.bedtimemath.org](http://www.bedtimemath.org)

[www.coolmath4kids.com](http://www.coolmath4kids.com)

[www.mathplayground.com](http://www.mathplayground.com)

- Board Games: Many board games such as Yahtzee help young children work on number recognition and simple math facts.
- Help cook to practice fractions
- Have your child count and pay for items at the store.

## Writing:

- Keep a summer journal
- Writing letters or postcards to family and friends
- Sketch nature and write observations

## Geography:

- Have your student practice reading a map

## Science:

- Go on a bug hunt
- Do a science experiment
  - <http://www.sciencekids.co.nz/experiments.html>
  - <http://www.sciencebob.com/experiments/>
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- NASA Kid's:  
<http://www.nasa.gov/audience/forchildren/kidsclub/flash/index.html>
- Discovery Kids: <http://kids.discovery.com/>