



Summer Reading Tips

Read aloud to your child as often as possible

Students are *never* too old for cuddling up and being read to. Reading aloud will build your child's vocabulary and understanding of story parts. Most of all, read-alouds are *fun!*

Encourage reading for pleasure. Getting your child hooked on a particular author, series, or subject is one good way to get them excited about books. Be sure to praise your child for reading, and be a role model by reading yourself.

Encourage reading for meaning. Invite your child to ask questions if he or she doesn't understand something. Children comprehend more when they think about what they read and they learn to reread things that don't make sense. Also encourage your child to predict what will happen next. Reflecting and predicting keep the reader focused and aids comprehension.



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There is more treasure in books than
in all the pirate's loot on Treasure Island.
~ Walt Disney ~



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PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS

*For Students Entering 1st
Grade in September*

2009

Suggested Summer Lists

Portland Public Schools

2009 **Suggested** Summer Reading List Children Going Into 1st Grade

Titles

Harold and the Purple Crayon by Crockett Johnson

Good Night, Good Knight by Shelley Moore Thomas

Series

Arthur by Marc Brown

Babar by Jean & Laurent deBrunhoff

Berenstain Bears by Stan & Jan Berenstain

Biscuit by Alyssa Capucilli

Clifford by Norman Bridwell

Curious George by H.A. Rey

Elephant and Piggie by Mo Willems

Puppy Mudge by Cynthia Rylant

Read with Dick and Jane

Skippyjon Jones by Judith Byron Schachner

Look for Books by These Authors

Auch, Mary Jane

Brett, Jan

Bunting, Eve

Cazet, Denys

Child, Lauren

Coxe, Molly

Hest, Amy

Hillert, Margaret

Hoban, Lillian & Russell-Lionni, Leo

McPhail, David

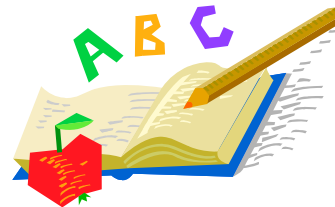
Munsch, Robert

Pinkney, Jerry

Rylant, Cynthia

Seuss, Dr.

Van Leeuwen, Jean



Read Some Alphabet Books and 1.2.3.

Counting Books with your child

Summer Reading Programs



Governor's Reading Challenge

Portland Library's 2009
Summer Reading Club...

Be Creative @ Your Library

Summer is just around the corner and you know what that means... **wild and wacky reading fun at the Library!**

Our theme this year is **Be Creative!**
And we can't wait to show you what we have planned!



Check out the website for
Children's Activities at:

<http://www.portlandlibraryct.org>

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