



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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**"Children Are Made Readers
on the Laps of their parents"**

Emily Buchwald 1994



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PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS

*For Students Entering
Kindergarten in September*

2009

Suggested Summer Lists

Portland Public Schools

Look for Books by These Authors

2009 **Suggested** Summer Reading List

Children Going into Kindergarten

Titles

Are You My Mother? by P.D. Eastman

Tadpoles by Betsy James

Countdown to Kindergarten by
Alison McGhee

The Kissing Hand by Audrey Penn

Any Mother Goose books

Series

Angelina Ballerina by Katherine Holabird

Biscuit by Alyssa Capucilli

Fancy Nancy by Jane O'Connor

Miss Nelson by Harry Allard

Mother Goose Rhymes are silly and fun.

Clap and sing as you say the rhymes.

Ask your child to repeat the rhymes.

Make up a new verse or two.

Arnold, Tedd

Brown, Margaret
Wise

Carlson, Nancy

Degen, Bruce

Ehlert, Lois

Henkes, Kevin

Keats, Ezra Jack

Lionni, Leo

Martin, Bill

McMullen, Kate

Shannon, David

Wells, Rosemary

Willems, Mo

Asch, Frank

Carle, Eric

Christelow, Eileen

DePaola, Tomie

Galdone, Paul

Hillert, Margaret

Kellogg, Steven

Marshall, James

Minarik, Else

Numeroff, Laura

Sierra, Judy

Wheeler, Lisa

Wilson, Karma

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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