



# Don't let your kids slide!

Did you know your child can lose one to three months of learning over the summer? It's called the Summer Slide, and it happens when young minds sit idle. Imagine what the future holds. Parents play a huge role in their children's success. YOU can prevent the Summer Slide by keeping your child reading this summer!



**Summer Reading Loss Prevention**  
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## Weekly Reading Ideas!

Every day counts when it comes to preventing the “**Summer Slide.**” Keep your child motivated with these fun activities.

### Week 1

Make a Reading Fort with blankets and pillows. Make sure to include a flashlight!

### Week 2

Get a library card. Summer is a great time to visit your local library.

### Week 3

Research types of clouds. What are they called? Go outside and see how many you can name.

### Week 4

Draw your favorite animal and write down the facts you know about this animal. Then go look it up and check your facts.

### Week 5

Design a new book cover for your favorite book. On the inside write a review and share why it is your favorite!

### Week 6

Swap books with a friend. Make sure you share what you liked about each other's pick.

### Week 7

Unplug! Spend at least one day doing activities that don't require electricity!

### Week 8

Make a list of all the things where you can read something. Try reading the cereal box!

### Week 9

Plan an imaginary trip. Find a visitor's guide for that location and make a list of why you would like to visit.

### Week 10

What is the last dream you had? Write down as many details as possible!

“The love of reading is a disposition most children form in childhood from rich literacy experiences at home.”

—Bredenkamp & Copple

# Steps to Summer Success Free Reading Resources



## myON Digital Library

ALL Elementary school students in Brevard have access to thousands of e-books this summer.

Just go to [myON.com](http://myON.com):

- Enter your school
- Use your 7 digit student number as your username and password!

Have fun and READ ON myON! You not only have access to thousands of books, but you can also participate in myON summer contests to win additional awesome prizes!



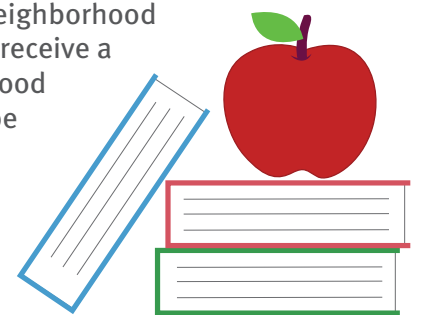
## Brevard Public Libraries

- Visit the library!
- Get a library card!
- Go online at [MyLibraryWorld.com](http://MyLibraryWorld.com)



## Feed and Read Sites

This summer United Way's Feed and Read sites will offer kids a place to gather in neighborhood centers to read and receive a book of their own. Food packages will also be available. For site locations and times visit [UWBrevard.org](http://UWBrevard.org).



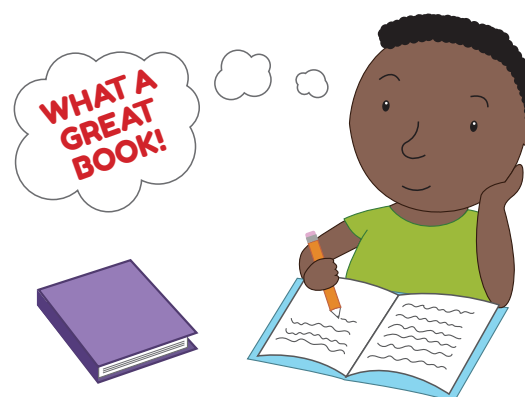
## Share what you are reading with other kids your age!

Not sure what book to read next? Engage in grade level discussion about the books you are reading. Recommend a summer read by posting a highlight, teaser, video or link to a book trailer. Or check out other fun and free reading ideas at [BrevardSchools.org](http://BrevardSchools.org). See *Summer Reads and Students under the Parents and Students tab*.

## Every Question Counts!

Part of continual literacy progress is learning how to think as you read. Asking questions supports learning how to think.

- What was it all about?
- What was the most important thing you learned?
- What connections did you make?
- How did the author capture your attention?



## Writing Connections

After reading, think about something similar you would like to write. Pay attention to the author's choices and practice a similar method:

- How did the author begin?
- How did the author transition from one event or topic to another?
- How did the author wrap up his or her ideas?

After reading a book, share your ideas about what you read. Some ways to do this include poems, posters, online posts, summaries and other creative ways to capture the key points.

## Check out these cool tools:

[FloridaStudents.org](http://FloridaStudents.org)

Florida Students is a site that provides free educational resources for learning.

[BN.com/summerreading](http://BN.com/summerreading)

Barnes and Noble's summer reading program may spark your new reading adventures.

[Scholastic.com/summer/2017](http://Scholastic.com/summer/2017)

Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge highlights great summer reads.

[ReadingRockets.org](http://ReadingRockets.org)

Reading Rockets is funded by the Park Foundation and provides a wealth of resources for parents.

[StartWithABook.org](http://StartWithABook.org)

Start with a Book is the new Summer Reading support for parents provided by Reading Rockets.

[StorylineOnline.net](http://StorylineOnline.net)

Screen Actors Guild provides selected audio books read online by celebrities.

[Scholastic.com/parents](http://Scholastic.com/parents)

Scholastic provides book lists for a wide variety of interests and genres.

[RIF.org](http://RIF.org)

Reading is Fundamental website provides online audio books and many other resources.

[ReadToMeIntl.org](http://ReadToMeIntl.org)

Read to Me International provides a list of recommended titles for reading aloud.

[ChildrensLibrary.org](http://ChildrensLibrary.org)

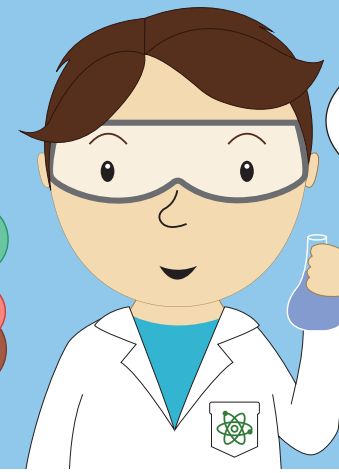
This is an international digital library with books from around the world.

[StoryNory.com](http://StoryNory.com)

StoryNory provides free online audio books.

# I Read. You Read.

We all **READ** for **ICE CREAM!**



“A child who reads will be an adult who thinks.”

## United Way has something sweet to share!

We know you want to chill out this summer, but here’s the scoop, it is really important that you keep reading! That’s why United Way has partnered with Brevard Public Schools!

If you read this summer and turn in the completed form to your new teacher in August, you will be invited to an ice cream party at your school. All you have to do is read!

Prefer reading e-books? Just check the box and let us know you did your reading on myON. Your school will know how many books you read over the summer and you’ll get invited to the ice cream party too!

**Reading Goals for Incoming Grades:**  
K-2<sup>nd</sup> read at least 10 books  
3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> read at least 8 multi-chapter books

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Student Grade Beginning Fall 2017 \_\_\_\_\_

I Read on **myON**

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