

Summer Learning Menu: Rising 1st Grade



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Keep those skills sharp over the summer so you're ready to rock-and-roll in 1st grade!

Math	Phonics	Reading	Writing
<p>In everyday life find ways for your child to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Count objects (How many drinks are in the cooler?)● Sort (laundry, utensils from dishwasher, toys).● Use a calendar (count how many days until vacation, say the days of the week, months of the year).● Measure (make muffins, check the temperature, check the weight of your produce in the grocery store).● Use coins.● Identify 2D and 3D shapes (street signs, grocery items).● Find and make patterns (look on clothes you are wearing). <p>Do mental math (There are 6 cookies in the box and Mom eats 3. How many cookies are left?)</p> <p>Solve addition and subtraction problems to 10.</p> <p>Write numbers to 100 and count to 100 by 1's, 2's, 5's and 10's.</p> <p>Play games that use numbers or counting (War, Dominoes, games with dice).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Review consonant sounds.● Review vowel sounds (short and long).● Review digraphs (ch, sh, th, wh).● Play games like Junior Boggle or Junior Scrabble.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Read with your child at least 20 minutes a day (picture books, non-fiction books, chapter books, magazines).● Let your child read and reread books to you or other family members.● Review sight words from this year.● Look for letters and words everywhere (while riding in the car, on boxes in your pantry)● Get your child his/her own library card and visit the library regularly.● Participate in the summer reading program at CCP Library.● Complete the Reading Choice Board, sent home with your child.● Participate in REDS Summer Reading Program.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Practice writing upper- and lower-case letters. Have your child correct reversals.● Continue writing in the Journal sent home from school. (Use the Writing Prompts given if your child can not think of something to write about.)● Start a pen-pal relationship with a friend in our class or a relative that lives far away.● Write a letter to Mrs. Moore. She will write back to you.

Book Lists



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Kindergarten Series Ideas:

Elephant and Piggie and Don't Let the Pigeon, Ty Travels, Pete the Cat, Biscuit, Frog and Toad, I can read "Ranger Rick," Rocket Series, Lola Reads, Tails from History, Please Mr. Panda, Dr. Seuss' Beginner Books, easy readers/beginning readers/early readers (lots of these at the local library!)

1st Grade Series Ideas:

Mercy Watson, Nate the Great, Magic Treehouse, Mr. Putter and Tabby, Henry and Mudge, Owly, Narwhal, The Owl Diaries, Calendar Mysteries, Interrupting Chicken, Fly Guy, Curious George, Clark the Shark, The Giggle Gang, Sea Bear, A Journey For Survival, Froggy, Princess Posey

Ideas for Chapter Book Read-Alouds at Home

- Magic Treehouse books
- Wishtree
- The Penderwicks
- Mercy Watson
- Winnie the Pooh
- Zoey and Sassafras

Writing Prompts



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- If I could go anywhere this summer, I would go...
- What do you miss most about going to school?
- Make a list of all the things you want to do this summer.
- Draw a sandcastle and write a story about it.
- Make a list of 10 things you can do outside.
- Write about going on a picnic. Where are you going? Who is with you? What did you eat?
- Pretend you are an ant at a picnic. What would you do?
- Draw a picture of your bedroom and label all of the things in it.
- Make a list of things you want to learn in first grade.
- If you could have any pet, what would it be? Tell everything about your pet.
- Design an amusement park and label it.
- Make a list of things to do on a rainy day.
- Draw a picture of your best friend. Write about your friend.
- Write a story that begins with, "Once upon a time..."
- Tell about the craziest dream you have ever had.