

Summer Reading Game

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Early Childhood

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Birth to Preschool



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Stop by your local library to sign up for the Summer Reading Game!

Goal 1 and Goal 2

Read or listen for 3 hours and receive awesome prizes and enter for a chance to win great drawing prizes.

Drawings!

After completing each goal, enter the drawing for a chance to win prizes!



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Tips For Sharing Books With Babies And Toddlers

A few minutes at a time is OK. And don't worry if you don't finish the story. Young children can only sit still for a few minutes, as they grow they can sit still longer. Let your child decide how much (or how little) time you spend reading. And you don't need to read every page.

Talk or Sing About the Pictures

You do not have to read the words to tell a story. Try “reading” the pictures in a book for your child sometime. When your child is old enough, ask him to read the pictures to you!

Let the Children Turn the Pages

Babies cannot yet turn pages on their own, but an 18-month-old will want to give it a try, and a three-year-old can certainly do it alone. Remember, it's OK to skip pages!

Show Children the Cover Page and the Words

Explain what the story is about. If you have an older toddler, ask them to guess what the story might be about. Run your finger along the words as you read them, from left to right.

Make the Story Come Alive

Create voices for the story characters and use your body to tell the story.

Ask Questions About the Story, and Let Children Ask Questions Too!

Use the story to have a back-and-forth conversation with your child. Talk about familiar activities and objects you see in the illustrations or read about in the story. This is a great way to make every story personal.

Let Children Tell the Story

Children as young as three years old can memorize a story, and many children love to be creative through storytelling.

Make Books a Part of Your Daily Routine

The more that books are woven into children's everyday lives, the more likely they will be to see reading as a pleasure and a gift.

• In the Car or On the Bus

Keep a few books in the car or in your diaper bag to keep your little ones quiet and busy.

• At the Doctor's Office

Read or tell a soothing story to your little one in the waiting room and sing or talk through the scary parts of the visit. Before the visit, read books about going to the doctor so your child knows what to expect.

• At the Grocery Store

Put a few board books in the shopping cart or tie a cloth book to the shopping cart so you're not cleaning up books from the floor as you go!

• At Nap Time and Bed Time

Familiar routines always help babies calm down. Use books and stories to quietly ease your baby to sleep.

• At Home

Lie down on the floor surrounded by books. Read out loud or play a book on CD for your baby.

• At Bath Time

Plastic bath time books are great fun and may help a fussy baby enjoy the tub a little more.