



Summer of Success

Student Resources & Activities

Did you know that children who read over the summer are likely to leap ahead when they return to school in the fall? To help encourage summer learning, we have prepared a "menu" of activities for you to choose from. Select two activities from each section to complete and return the completed work to your teacher in the fall.

Reading	Writing	Math
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Write a brief summary of your book including characters, setting, plot, conflict, resolution & themes. ✓ Write a personal letter to one of the characters in the story. ✓ Write an alternate ending to the story. ✓ Create a comic strip retelling the story. ✓ Write interview questions for a character in the book. Create answers to the questions from the character's perspective. ✓ Write a chapter from another character's point of view. ✓ Write a song or poem about the book. ✓ Create a timeline of important events. ✓ Compare and contrast two books that you read. ✓ Compare and contrast two characters from a book that you read. ✓ Create a glossary of challenging vocabulary words from the text. ✓ Compare and contrast yourself with a character from the book. ✓ Write a letter to a production company explaining why your book should be turned into a movie. ✓ Pretend your book was being turned into a movie. Create a movie advertisement with a blurb describing what the film will be about. ✓ Create a multimedia presentation about your book. 	<p><i>Respond to the prompts below. Be sure to include a clear introduction, plenty of details, facts, or reasons, and a concluding statement.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Write a postcard to Washington Irving: 103 South Broadway, Tarrytown NY 10591. ✓ Write a story in which you pretend to be a dollar bill for a whole week. ✓ Write an informative report about an animal of your choice. ✓ Do you think school should be year round? Explain why or why not. ✓ Explain what you would do with a secret compartment that you found at the back of your closet. ✓ Which is a better place to spend a day: the beach or an amusement park? Give plenty of reasons to explain your choice. ✓ Imagine you are given the power of a superhero. Describe what your special power is and why you would want this power. Explain what you would do with the power. ✓ Who is your hero? Describe someone you look up to and explain why they are such an important person. ✓ Write a letter to your principal asking for a change. State the problem and propose a solution. ✓ Explain the rules of a game (sports, board, or card) to someone that has never heard of it before. ✓ Tell us a story of a special day from your summer vacation. Explain why it was so special. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Set a budget for grocery shopping. Create a grocery list and see if you can purchase the items you need without going over your budget. ✓ Go on a shape scavenger hunt. See how many different shapes you can identify around the house or outside. ✓ Make a design using color and/or shape patterns. Describe the pattern you used. ✓ Make a daily schedule. Set time limits and identify how long you will spend on each activity. ✓ Go on a dream shopping spree! Look through a catalog and identify every item you wish you could buy. Write down the price of each and find the total amount you would need to spend. ✓ Write your own math word problems. Use any of the four operations. Write the answers on a separate paper. ✓ Double a recipe. Look at an existing recipe for one of your favorite desserts. Determine how much of each ingredient you would need if you wanted twice as much. ✓ Record the weather every day for a month. At the end of the month, create a graph showing how many sunny, cloudy and rainy days there were in all. ✓ Make flash cards and practice your multiplication facts for 10 minutes a day. ✓ Measure the area and perimeter of each room in your house. Which room is the biggest? Smallest?

Please visit our parent website www.wiparents.weebly.com and visit the "Summer" tab for many additional resources and printable activities

