



Parents & Guardians

Our summer reading program is based upon these four goals:

- (1) Maintain learning gains from school year,
- (2) Develop stronger reading skills,
- (3) Expose children to quality literature, and
- (4) Encourage a love of books.

Ideas to support your child's summer reading:

- Set aside time each day for reading
- Read together as a family
- Allow your child to choose the book
- Plan regular visits to the library
- Listen to audiobooks in the car
- Participate in the summer programs at the local library

How to Rock the Read Aloud

- Read with expression. Try creating different voices for different characters.
- Encourage your child to ask questions about the characters, pictures, and words.
- Talk about the story with your child. Did he or she like it? Why?
- Your child may want you to read the same story over and over again. After several retellings, ask your child to tell *you* the story.
- Model Making Connections: Strong readers aren't passive—their minds are constantly making connections between what they read and the world around them. As you read, pause to connect the book to other books you have read together, to your memories, or to places or events you both know.

Entering Kindergarten



This summer, spend some time exploring the world around you through the books we have compiled! In this brochure you will discover great new books by award-winning authors.

Did you know that you can use the library's lobby/curbside pick-up to borrow books? Or, that many books are available in eAudio or eBook format, too. Not sure how this works? Just ask your librarian.

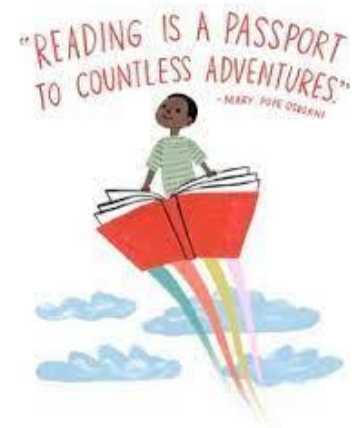
Our town librarians are book experts. They have *thousands of* amazing books that they want to share with you! Whatever you're interested in, there's a book for you. Adventure awaits! Your imagination's the limit.

Ayer Public Library (978-772-8250)

26 E. Main Street, Ayer, MA
www.ayerlibrary.org

Hazen Memorial Library

(978-425-2620)
3 Keady Way, Shirley, MA
www.shirleylibrary.org



K - Nonfiction Suggestions

Anywhere Farm by Phyllis Root

Crescent Moon and Painted Minarets: A Muslim Book of Shapes
by Hena Khan

Our Skin - A First Conversation about Race by Megan Madison

The Doctor with an Eye for Eyes: The Story of Patricia Bath
(Amazing Scientists) by Julia Finley Mosca

Egg: Nature's Perfect Package, by Steve Jenkins

Frida Kahlo and Her Animalitos by Monica Brown

I Promise by LeBron James

I Walk with Vanessa: A Story About A Simple Act of Kindness by
Kerascoet

Little People, Big Dreams (series) by Isabel Sanchez Vegara

Moon: A Peek-Through Picture Book by Britta Teckentrup

Parent Read Aloud Recommendations:

Elephant and Piggie (series) by Mo Willems

Mercy Watson (series) by Kate DiCamillo

K - Fiction Suggestions

A Busy Creature's Day Eating! by Mo Willems

All Are Welcome by Alexandra Penfold

Elmore by Holly Hobbie

Eyes That Kiss in the Corners by Joanna Ho

Fox the Tiger by Corey R. Tabor

The Giant Jumperee by Julia Donaldson

I Want That Nut! By Madeline Valentine

Izzy Gizmo by Pip Jones

I am Golden by Evan Chen

The Little Red Fort by Brenda Maier

Eyes that Speak to the Stars by Joanna Ho

The Rabbit Listened by Cori Doerrfeld

Nigel and the Moon by Antwan Eady

Saturday by Oge Nora

This Book Will Not be Fun by Cirocco Dunlap

We Don't Eat Our Classmates by Ryan T. Higgins

When Spring Comes by Kevin Henkes

The Word Collector by Peter Reynolds

Bodies are Cool by Tyler Feder

Danbi by Annie Kim

Someone Builds the Dream by Lisa Wheeler