

SUMMER

How to beat the **SUMMER SLIDE**



Have your child read for
at least **20 minutes**
every day.

Spend time **cooking**
together.



Explore different kinds of
reading material like picture books,
chapter books, and magazines.

Make use of your
local library.



Listen to **audio books** on
summer car trips.

Read aloud with your
children daily.



Review skills with fun,
hands-on review activities.

Engage in **meaningful
conversation** and help build
your child's vocabulary.



Enjoy a
new hobby!

Learn more about these great ideas at
<http://blog.AllAboutLearningPress.com/summer-slide>

Happy Summer,

I have included The Summer Reading Assignment for 2nd grade. It can also be located on the Sterling School website under the tab SCHOOL LIFE if you need to reprint it for any reason. This reading assignment needs to be completed and returned at the beginning of the school year for 2nd grade.

In this summer bundle there is also a reading challenge that I have marked as optional. This is an extra, above and beyond that your child may choose to participate in for the extra benefit and reward!

3 things that will help prevent the summer slide:

1. Reading

I recommend that your child should be reading 2 hours per week all summer long. They should be doing a mixture of reading every day-

- read aloud-them reading to you
- silent reading- read to themselves and
- listening to reading- being read to. This should be a higher level from vocabulary and comprehension expansion.

This is a great place to use EPIC books, either research books at your child's level and give them the tangible book to read OR have them read/listen on the EPIC book app. Be sure they are starting the summer at the Guided Reading Level I sent home for independent reading and going up a step for reading with an adult and up a step or two for listening to reading time.

2. Math

Please continue mastering math fact skills. Before 2nd grade starts, your student should have really good skills of addition and subtraction in fact families up through the 20 family and mastery should be through the 16 family. *Mastery is when they can tell you an answer within 3-5 seconds. Continue to practice and have them work through word problems.

Complete the math packet for 2nd grade. This is also an assignment that needs to be completed and turned in at the beginning of 2nd grade. (I believe this packet will be emailed to you).

3. Writing

Continue to have your student practice writing over the summer. I have included a couple of writing prompt pages in this packet.

The first one is a creative writing prompts page- you can cut these sentences up into strips and have them pick one prompt at a time- glue it to the top of their paper and then write about it.

The second one is a topic idea sheet- you can cut these boxes out and put them in separate bags, cups, etc. Have your kiddo draw one from each cup and they will have a person, place, thing and an action that they can make a story about.

They should be writing 5-7 sentences consistently, remembering to use capital letters, punctuation, spelling rules, finger spaces, appropriate letter formation/placement and having their sentences and stories make sense.

Have a great summer!

Blessings,

Mrs. Ingram

FIRST GRADE SUMMER READING SUGGESTIONS

Author	Title
Adler	Cam Jansen - Mystery of the UFO
Bemelmans	Madeline's Rescue
Bob Books A 2	11 The Sad Cat
Bob Books A 2	12 0-10
Bob Books A 2	2 Up Pup
Bob Books A 2	3 Pig & Pog
Bob Books A 2	4 Bow- Wow!
Bob Books A 2	5 The Big Hat
Bob Books A 2	6 Sox the Fox
Bob Books A 2	7 OK Kids
Bob Books A 2	8 Rub-A-Dub
Bob Books A 2	9 Go, Bus
Bokoske	Dolphins
Brenner	Wagon Wheels
Brown	Goodnight Moon
Brown	Runaway Bunny
Brown	Stone Soup
Bulla	Daniel's Duck
Burns	How Many Feet? How Many Tails?
Burton	Choo Choo The Runaway Engine
Burton	Katy & The Big Snow
Burton	Mike Mulligan & His Steam Shovel
Burton	The Little House
Byars	The Golly Sisters Go West
Calmeson	Roller Skates
Capucilli	Bathtime for Biscuit
Capucilli	Biscuit
Cazet	Minnie & Moo Go to the Moon
Cerf	More Riddles
Christensen	Who Am I?
Cobb	Wheels!
Coerr	Big Balloon Race
Coerr	Buffalo Bill and the Pony Express
Coerr	Chang's Paper Pony (hard)
Coerr	Josefina Story Quilt, The
Coxe	Cat Traps
Cristaldi	Baseball Ballerina
Cushman	Camp Big Paw (hard)

Daly-Weir	Knights
Daugherty	Andy & the Lion
Davis	Mice of the Westing Wind -Book 1
De Brunhoff	Babar's Little Circus Star
Devlin	Cranberry Thanksgiving
Dubowski	Cave Boy
Dubowski	Snug Bug
Eastman	Are You My Mother?
Eastman	Go Dog Go
Flack	Angus & the Cat
Flack	Ask Mr. Bear
Flack	The Story About Ping
Foster	What a Day for Flying
Foster, Kelli	The Bug Club
Freeman	A Pocket for Corduroy
Freeman	Corduroy
Gag	Millions of Cats
Garfield	Follow My Leader
Gave	Monkey See Monkey Do
Gelman	More Spaghetti I Say!
Gregorich	Beep, Beep
Gregorich	I Want A Pet
Gregorich	Up Went the Goat
Hall	A Bad Bad Day
Hall	At the Carnival
Hall	Our Tea Party
Hayward	Baby Moses
Heilbroner	Robert the Rose Horse
Henry, Marguerite	Justin Morgan had a Horse (hard)
Herman	My Dog talks
Herman	Otto the Cat
Herman	Pal the Pony
Herman	There is a Town
Hoban	A Baby Sister For Frances
Hoban	A Bargain For Frances
Hoban	Arthur's Great Big Valentine
Hoban	Bedtime for Frances
Hoban	Bread & Jam for Frances
Hoban	Silly Tilly & the Easter Bunny
Hoberman	A House Is A House For Me
Hodge	Eyewitness - Animal Hospital

Rey	Curious George Gets a Medal
Rey	Curious George Goes to the Hospital
Rey	Curious George In the Snow
Rey	Curious George Learns the Alphabet
Rey	Curious George Makes Pancakes
Rey	Curious George Visits a Police Station
Richardson	In Grandma's Attic
Robinson	Best Christmas Pageant Ever, The
Rosenthal	Where on Earth: A Geogratunny Guide to the Globe
Rylant	Every Living Thing
Rylant	Henry and Mudge Annie's Good Move #18
Rylant	Henry and Mudge Annie's Perfect Pet
Rylant	Henry and Mudge Bedtime Thumps #9
Rylant	Henry and Mudge Best Day of All #14
Rylant	Henry and Mudge Big Test #10
Rylant	Henry and Mudge Cold Shivers #7
Rylant	Henry and Mudge Forever Sea # 6
Rylant	Henry and Mudge In the Family Trees #15
Rylant	Henry and Mudge Puddle Trouble #2
Rylant	Henry and Mudge Sneaky Crackers
Rylant	Henry and Mudge The first Book #1
Rylant	Henry and Mudge Wild Wind #12
Rylant	Mr. Putter and Tabby Pick the Pears
Rylant	Mr. Putter and Tabby Pour the Tea
Rylant	Mr. Putter and Tabby Walk the Dog
Rylant	The Relatives Came
Rylant	When I was Young in the Mountains
Sabin	Young Queen Elizabeth
See Through History Series	Any Title
Selsam	Greg's Microscope
Seuss	Cat in the Hat
Seuss	Foot Book
Seuss	Fox in Socks
Seuss	Hop on Pop
Seuss	One Fish Two Fish
Sewell	Black Beauty
Shafer	Fantastic Journey of Pieter Bruegel, The

Sharmat	Nate The Great
Sharmat	Nate The Great and the Stolen Base
Sharmat	Nate The Great Crunchy Christmas
Sharmat	Nate The Great Down in the Dumps
Sharmat	Nate The Great Goes Under Cover
Sharmat	Nate The Great Missing Key
Sharmat	Nate The Great Musical Note
Sharmat	Nate The Great Phony Clue
Sharmat	Nate The Great Saves King of Sweden
Sharmat	Nate The Great Snowy Trail
Sharmat	Nate The Great Sticky Case
Sharmat	Nate The Great Tardy Tortoise
Shea	First Flight
Shearer	Greenleaf Guide to Famous Men of the Middle Ages
Shimony	Tibaldo and the Hole in the Calendar
Singh	Foolish Men of Agra and Other Tales of Mogul India
Sis	Follow the Dream: The Story of Christopher Columbs
Slabodkin	Caps for Sale
Snedden	Explor A Maze
Sobol	Encyclopedia Brown #10
Sobol	Encyclopedia Brown #11
Sobol	Encyclopedia Brown #12
Sobol	Encyclopedia Brown #13
Sobol	Encyclopedia Brown #15
Sobol	Encyclopedia Brown #18
Sobol	Encyclopedia Brown #19
Spencer	Three Ships for Columbus
Spitz	Protestant Reformation: Major Documents
Stainer	Lyon's Roar, The
Standiford	Balto: The Bravest Dog Ever
Stanley	Leonardo da Vinci, Michelangelo, Bard of Avon
Stanton	Child's Guide to the Mass
Steig	Doctor De Soto
Sterckx	Breughel: A Gift for Telling Stories
Stevenson	Benjamin Franklin
Stevenson	Daniel Boone
Stevenson	George Washington

Stevenson	Molly Pitcher	
Stevenson	Paul Revere	
Stevenson, Robert L.	A Child's Garden of Verses	
Stewart	The Pioneers go West	
Taylor	Maps and Mapping	
Teague	Poppleton & Friends	
Teague	Poppleton Everyday	
Teague	Poppleton Forever	
Thayer	The Puppy Who Wanted a Boy	
Tiner	Johannes Kepler: Giant of Faith and Science	
Tivers,		
Jacqueline	Great Atlas of Discovery, The	
Torrey	To the Edge of the World	
Turner	Dust for Dinner	
Twain	Prince and the Pauper, The (abridged)	
Tyler	Usborne Book of World History	
VanCleave	Janice VanCleave's Geography for Every Kid: Easy Activities that Make Learning Geography Fun	
Vernon	Beggar's Bible, The	
Vernon	Man Who Laid the Egg, The	
Vernon	Night Preacher	
Vernon	Secret Church, The	
Video	A Man For All Seasons	
Video	John Wycliffe-- Morning Star of the Reformation	
Viorst	Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day	
Waber	Lyle, Lyle Crocodile	
Waddell	Can't You Sleep Little Bear?	
Wagoner	Abigail Adams	
Wagoner	Martha Washington	
Wallace	Duncan's Way	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #1	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #10	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #11	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #12	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #14	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #15	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #16	

Warner	Boxcar Children Series #17	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #18	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #19	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #2	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #25	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #29	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #3	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #33	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #4	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #5	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #59	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #6	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #66	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #7	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #77	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #8	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series #9	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series Special #1	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series Special #12	
Warner	Boxcar Children Series Special #2	
Weil	Betsy Ross	
Weiss	Galileo and the Stargazers (Audio CD)	
Wellman	Christopher Columbus (Young Reader's Christian Library)	
White, E.B.	Charlotte's Web (hard)	
Wilder	Little House in the Big Woods *	
Wilder	Little House on the Prairie Series	
Wiseman	Morris is a Cowboy	
Young	Cat and Rat: The Legend of the Chinese Zodiac	
Ziefert	Dark Night, Sleepy Night	
Ziefert	Dozen Dogs	
Zolotow	Storm book	
Zondervan Press	NiRV The Beginner's Bible	



Creative Writing Prompts

Use these creative writing prompts to help your students start their stories.



1. One day I woke up and looked out the window. To my surprise, I saw that my house was floating high up in the sky. I quickly ran to my door and...
2. Deep in the forest lived a very old bear with magical powers that allowed the bear to...
3. We drove deep into the jungle. Suddenly, the wheels of our Jeep got stuck in the mud. A moment later, we heard a loud roar in the distance...
4. The lunch box jumped up and down on the table. There was no doubt about it. Something inside my lunch was alive...
5. On my way to school I found an old bag on the street. Inside the bag was a million dollars...
6. One evening after dinner, a wizard came to our door. He waved his wand, cast a spell, and turned my dad into a...
7. It was the greatest tree fort in the world...
8. I turned the eerie key in the lock. The ancient door creaked. Dust swirled around me. I gave the door a push and...

I can write about...

People	Places	Things	To do
mother	park	cat	go
father	beach	dog	walk
brother	zoo	pizza	run
sister	woods	flowers	swim
friend	store	bus	jump
teacher	school	car	ride
girl	home	truck	play
boy	farm	doll	cook
baby	barn	bed	drive
man	city	bike	read
woman	Texas	ball	draw

