

Summer SPOTLIGHT FOR AGES 6-11



AT HOME

This booklet contains:

- Reading logs for 1000-page and 5000-page challenges: complete one or both challenges to earn entries into end-of-summer prize drawings for Barnes & Noble gift cards.
- 12 weekly themes: complete activities and projects, find great book recommendations, and discover ideas to get the most out of your summer.

Weekly Schedule of Online Programs

Monday Storytimes: bit.ly/SCLstorytime

Tuesday Trivia: bit.ly/SCLtrivia

Wednesday Workout: bit.ly/SCLworkout

Thursday Performances: bit.ly/SCLperform

Friday Science Fun!: bit.ly/SCLscience

Weekend Family Fun Break: bit.ly/SCLfamilyfun

Visit www.scottlib.org/summer for a full schedule of at home events!

Note to parents and caregivers:

Use this packet in whatever way keeps your child most engaged over the summer. That might mean adding rewards of your own for completing weekly activities or meeting reading milestones.

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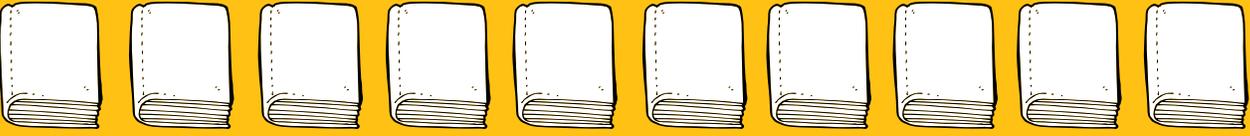
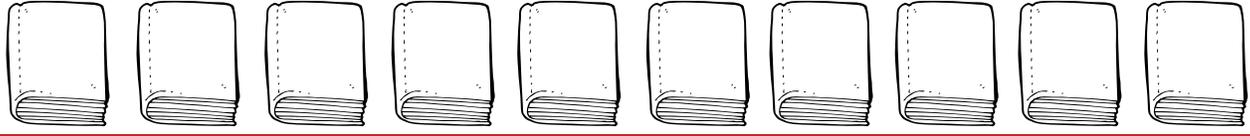
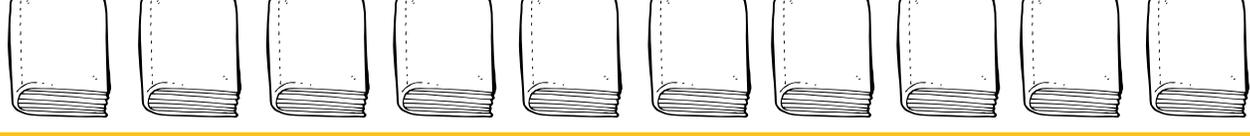
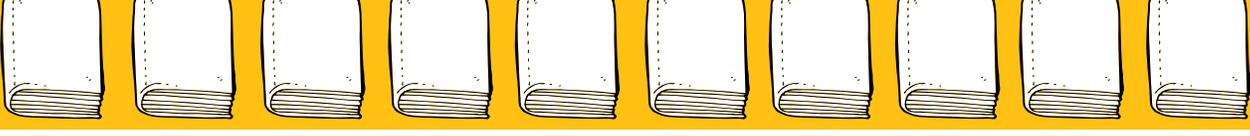
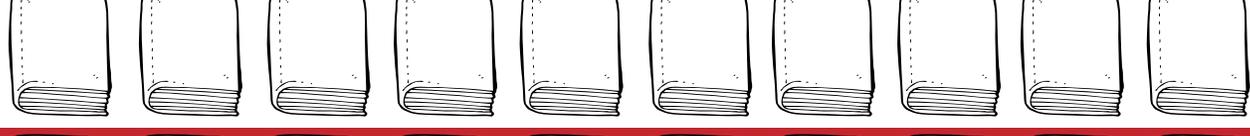
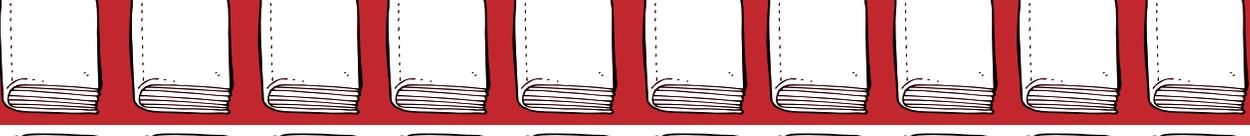
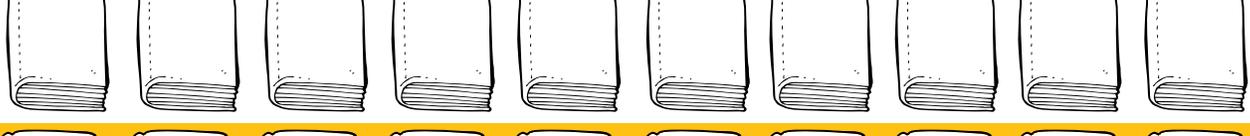
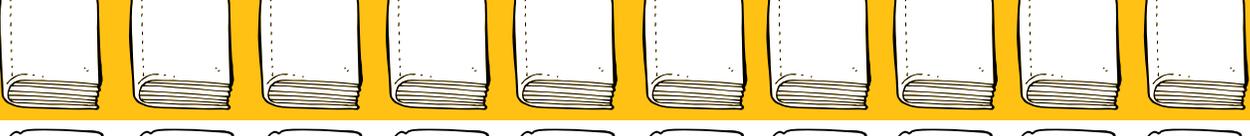
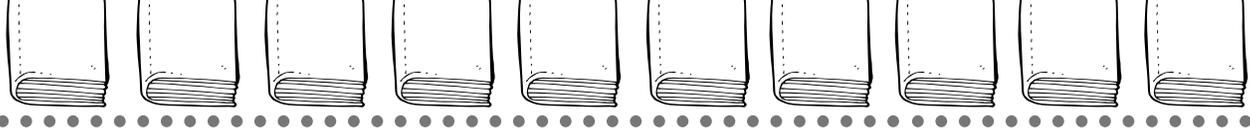
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SUMMER AT
your LIBRARY

1,000-PAGE challenge!

Color in a book for each 10 pages you read. Complete all 1000 pages to earn your entry into the drawing for a \$10 Barnes & Noble gift card.

Would you rather track books instead of pages?
Color in a book for each book that you read!

1  = 10 PAGES

	100 PAGES
	200 PAGES
	300 PAGES
	400 PAGES
	500 PAGES
	600 PAGES
	700 PAGES
	800 PAGES
	900 PAGES
	1000 PAGES

 Return for a chance to win a \$10 gift card to Barnes & Noble at the end of the summer.

Fill out the form, then either drop in the book return of your Scott County Library or mail to:

**Scott County Library Administration
1615 Weston Court
Shakopee, MN 55379**

First and Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____ Age: _____

Email: _____

Favorite book from summer: _____

I do NOT wish to participate in an online survey about Summer Spotlight this fall

Welcome to your reading adventure!

Get 5 in a row across, down, or diagonally to complete a BINGO!

Read a nonfiction book	Read while eating breakfast	Read a book set in the past	Read a scary book	Read in a silly voice
Build a fort and read in it	Read a fantasy book	Read in pajamas	Read a book with a blue cover	Read a funny book
Read a book older than you	Read two books by the same author	Read outside	Read a graphic novel	Listen to someone reading out loud
Read a book set in the future	Read about a new place	Read a book recommended by someone	Read in bed	Read a book that won an award
Read a poem	Read an eBook	Read about a place you haven't been	Recommend a book to a friend	Read a book because you like the cover

Write or draw a book review here:

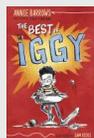
We Recommend

Shorter books...



I am a Super Girl!
Kelly Greenawalt

Juana & Lucas
Juana Medina



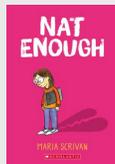
Best of Iggy
Annie Barrows

Longer books...

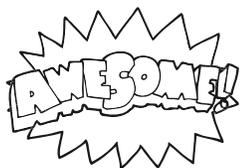


Look Both Ways
Jason Reynolds

Nat Enough
Maria Scrivan



Bug Boys
Laura Knetzger



WEEK 1

YOU ARE AWESOME!

- Make a list of everything you like about yourself out of craft sticks. When you have a bad day, pull one out!**
- Make a self-portrait using nontraditional items like food, flowers, or silverware.**
- At dinner each day for a week, talk about your favorite part of the day. Invite your family to share as well.**

AWESOME WORDS

See how many words you can make just from the letters in these words. Not interested? Then draw something that expresses these words!

FRIENDLY

THANKFUL

AWESOME

KINDHEARTED



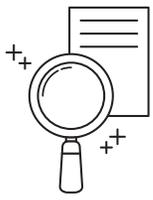
Doodle Time!

Draw a selfie!

A MOMENT FOR YOU:

Do something kind for someone else. Write a card to someone in the hospital and let them know how special *they* are.

<http://www.cardsforhospitalizedkids.com/make-cards1.html>



WEEK 2

IT'S A MYSTERY!

- Sign up to receive a mail-out escape room <https://bit.ly/SCLEscape>
- Hide a toy for someone else to find. Write clues to help them on their way.
- Using string, create a spiderweb obstacle course. Try and navigate without touching a string!

SOLVE THE MYSTERY OF... THE PIGPEN CIPHER!

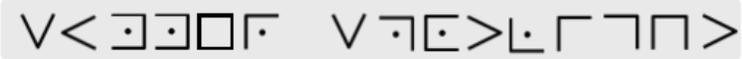
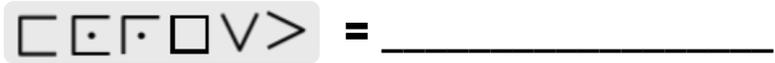
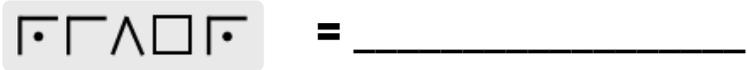
Although the pigpen cipher looks difficult, it is actually a fairly basic form of substitution cipher - each letter is replaced by a symbol. The letters of the alphabet are written out on 4 grids. To write your code, draw the part of the grid in which your letter is located. This then becomes your code!

A	B	C	J	K	L
D	E	F	M	N	O
G	H	I	P	Q	R
X S U			W Y Z		
T V			X Y Z		

Here's a sample message:



Can you decipher these words?



= _____

Write your name below in cipher:

A MOMENT FOR YOU:

Take a day to be entirely screen free. Challenge your family to join you. The next day, name one thing you appreciated about the day and one challenge you had.

We Recommend

Shorter books...



Pedro's Mystery Club
Fran Manushkin

Hero Dog!
Hilde Lysiak



The Case of Windy Lake
Michael Hutchinson

Longer books...



Winterborne Home for Vengeance and Valor
Ally Carter

InvestiGators
John Patrick Green



The Nebula Secret
Trudi Trueit



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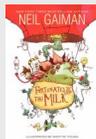
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Shorter books...



Ms. Hall Is a Goofball
Dan Gutman

Timepocalypse
Paul Tobin



Fortunately, the Milk
Neil Gaiman

Longer books...

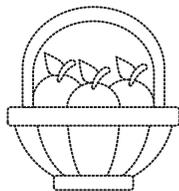


Stef Soto, Taco Queen
Jennifer Torres

Guts
Raina Telgemeier



The Gross Cookbook
Susanna Tee



WEEK 3

ALL ABOUT FOOD!

- Have a wacky meal day and eat breakfast for dinner! What did you eat?
- Design your own restaurant. What type of food would you serve? How much would a meal cost?
- Visit ChooseMyPlate.gov and become a MyPlate champion by eating a balanced meal

FAMILY RECIPE

Ask a family member for the recipe to one of your favorite foods!

Whose recipe is this:

Recipe

Why is this one of your favorite foods?

Would you like to try to make this recipe? Why or why not?

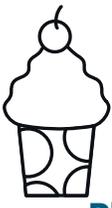
What other food do you want to learn to make?



 **Doodle Time!**
Draw your favorite food!

A MOMENT FOR YOU:

Savor snack time. Before eating your snack, note its color and smell. Then take a bite but don't chew for 10 seconds. Finally, begin chewing slowly. What did you notice about the food you ate?



WEEK 4

LET'S CELEBRATE!

- Plan and make a picnic to eat somewhere outside or even on your living room floor!
- Learn about celebrations from another culture. Share a traditional activity with your family.
- Create a festival about you! Plan a meal and an activity based on what you enjoy.

CELEBRATIONS AROUND THE WORLD!

Match the celebration to the description!

CELEBRATION	DESCRIPTION
1. Polka Dots and Coins, New Year	A. Feasting and acts of charity mark the end of Ramadan
2. Christmas	B. Children dance around a Maypole celebrating the return of spring
3. Dia De Los Muertos	C. Springtime festival of colors that celebrates the victory of good over evil
4. Holi	D. Fat Tuesday, the last night of feasting before the beginning of Lenten fasting
5. Hanukkah	E. Colorful parades with large dragon puppets help bring in the Lunar New Year
6. Eid al-Fitr	F. Eldest daughters wear white gown, red sashes and a wreath of candles to honor this saint
7. Feast of Santa Lucia	G. Skeleton makeup and colorful costumes are worn in joyful memory of loved ones
8. Mardi Gras	H. Religious celebration with feasts, gift giving and decorated trees
9. Chinese New Year	I. Eight days of lighting Menorahs, gifts giving and foods fried in oil remembering the ancient miracle
10. May Day	J. Circles are worn, carried and eaten symbolizing good luck and fortune

1-J, 2-H, 3-G, 4-C, 5-I, 6-A, 7-F, 8-D, 9-E, 10-B

A MOMENT FOR YOU:

Feeling sad? Feeling stressed? Turn on a favorite song and dance those feelings away! Movement helps regulate your breathing which can help fight the blah feelings.

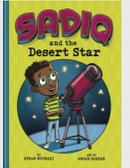
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Shorter books...



Festivals & Celebrations
Caryn Jenner

Sadiq and the Desert Star!
Siman Nuurali



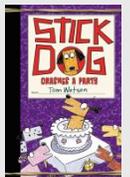
Monsters Go Party!
Zanna Davidson

Longer books...



Stars Beneath Our Feet
David Barclay Moore

Stick Dog Crashes the Party
Tom Watson



This Was Our Pact
Ryan Andrews

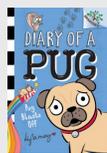


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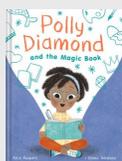
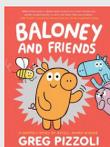
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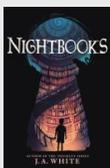
Diary of a Pug: Pug Blasts Off
Kyla May

Baloney and Friends
Greg Pizzoli



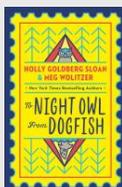
Polly Diamond and the Magic Book
Alice Kuipers

Longer books...

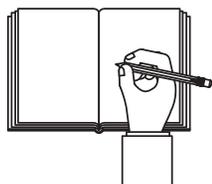


Nightbooks
J. A. White

To Night Owl From Dogfish
Holly Goldberg Sloan & Meg Wolitzer



New Kid
Jerry Craft



WEEK 5

WRITE TO IT!

Write an acrostic poem using your name; each line begins with the next letter in your name!

Set a writing goal this summer. I will write ____ pages!

Enter our writing contest between July 6 - 25, sponsored by the Teen Advisory Board (see flyer).

MADLIB: UNICORN POOP!

Create a silly story with a friend while using different parts of sentences. Then write a silly story of your own!

What Happens When a Unicorn Poops?



Unicorns aren't like other _____; they're _____. They look like _____.

_____ with _____ for feet and a _____ mane of hair. But unicorns are _____ and have a _____ on their heads. Some _____ don't believe unicorns are _____ but I believe in them. I would love to _____ a unicorn to faraway _____. One thing I've always _____ about is whether unicorns _____ rainbows, or is their _____ like any other animal's?

_____ (plural noun);
_____ (adjective).
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_____ (adjective)
_____ (color) _____ (adjective) _____ (noun)
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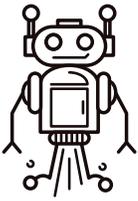
A MOMENT FOR YOU:

Who is one person you are grateful for this summer? Write an ode (a poem of praise) about them. Share your work with them - let them know how much you value them.



Doodle Time!

Draw your favorite book cover!



WEEK 6

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

- Create a structure out of found items such as paper towel tubes, pencils, straws, toothpicks, and tape.
- Find a plant or flower and study it. Note the color, the texture, the size and where it grows. Draw a picture.
- Create a time capsule. What will go in it? When should it be opened? In a year? In 5 years? In 10 years?

PREDICT IT: SINK OR FLOAT

Predict whether each listed item will sink or float. Then test your prediction. Finally find your own items, predict, and test.

Item	Prediction	Result
 PENCIL		
 COIN		
 CHALK		

A MOMENT FOR YOU:

Practice counting your breaths. Find a comfy position and close your eyes. Take slow deep breaths, inhaling through your nose and exhaling through your mouth. Count each breath. How high did you count?

We Recommend

Shorter books...



Push & Pull
Kimberly Derting

Dragons & Marshmallows
Asia Castro



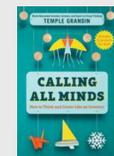
Secret Coders
Gene Luen Yang

Longer books...



The Genius Experiment
James Patterson
Chris Grabenstein

The Friendship Code
Stacia Deutsch



Calling All Minds
Temple Grandin



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Shorter books...



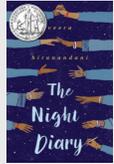
Stealing the Sword
Wendy Mass

The Apartment: a Century of Russian History
Alexandra Litvina



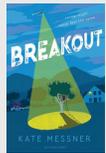
Now Museum, Now You Don't
Andres Miedoso

Longer books...



The Night Diary
Veera Hiranandani

Short & Skinny
Mark Tatulli



Breakout
Kate Messner



WEEK 7

LONG LONG AGO!

- Make a list of everything you use that requires electricity. Talk about what life would have been like without it.
- Draw or paint a portrait of a family member. Have them pose in a position while you sketch them.
- Talk to a family member about a famous historical event from when they were a kid.

HISTORY HUNT: WHAT IS IT?

All of these items are in the Scott County Historical Society collections. Guess what they were used for by matching the item to its name!



1



2



3



4



5



6



7

A) Butter Mold B) Corn Husker C) Cabbage Cutter
D) Doughnut Mold E) Iron F) Sausage Mold G) Curling Iron

Visit the Scott County History Blog for more information at shorturl.at/iwGM8

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COUNTY**
history.org
at the Stans Museum

1-E, 2-C, 3-G, 4-A, 5-D, 6-B, 7-F



Doodle Time!

Draw someone you want to meet!

A MOMENT FOR YOU:

Find an old toy or article of clothing from when you were younger. What do you remember about that toy? How did it make you feel then? How do you feel about it now?



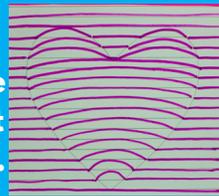
WEEK 8

SMART ABOUT ART!

- Create a picture using dots. You could use markers, pencils, crayons, or q-tips and paint.
- Play with your food! Turn your lunch into a work of art such as a sandwich sculpture or a rice landscape!
- Have a family art night. Work together on a giant piece of paper to create a family mural.

3D HEART!

Draw lines through your heart with markers. The lines should be straight on both sides of the heart and curved up to the next line through the heart.



We Recommend

Shorter books...



Yasmin the Painter
Saadia Faruqi



Hicotea
Lorena Alvarez



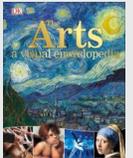
The Art Show Attacks!
Jack Chabert

Longer books...



Catherine's War
Julie Billet

The Arts: A Visual Encyclopedia
Susie Hodge



All the Greys on Greene Street
Laura Tucker



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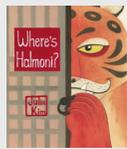
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A MOMENT FOR YOU:

Draw a picture in your mind. Think about what you would like to draw. Choose what you will use to draw it. Visualize each step of the process. Then try and recreate it on paper.

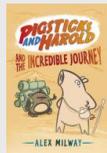
We Recommend

Shorter books...



Where's Halmoni?
Julie Kim

The Incredible Journey!
Alex Milway



Could You Escape the Paris Catacombs?
Matt Doeden

Longer books...



The Door in the Alley
Adrienne Cress

When Stars Are Scattered
Victoria Jamieson
Omar Mohamed



Flags of the World
Lyn Coutts



WEEK 9 GLOBETROTTER!

- Make a photo collage of your dream vacation. Include where you would stay and what you would do.
- Design a flag for your own country. Talk about why you chose that design.
- Try a snack or meal from another country that you haven't had before.

COUNTRIES WORD SEARCH

Have you visited any of these countries?

J D T S K E N B L T E N I A R K U F G F
 A I J W W Q E O C W W S C A N A D A F V
 P D U R E P D S R S O M A L I A I O P G
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PERU	PHILIPPINES	RUSSIA	SOMALIA	SWEDEN
SYRIA	THAILAND	UKRAINE	UNITEDSTATES	VENEZUELA
VIETNAM	ZIMBABWE			



Doodle Time!

Draw a place you'd like to visit!

A MOMENT FOR YOU:

Go on a "safari" walk. Use all of your senses. What do you smell? What do you hear? What do you see? What do you feel? What do you taste?

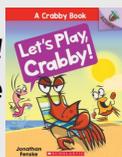
We Recommend

Shorter books...



Dolphin's Grace
Maggie Marks

Let's Play, Crabby!
Jonathan Fenske



Game Over, Super Rabbit Boy!
Thomas Flintham

Longer books...



You Go First
Erin Entrada Kelly

PopularMMOs: Enter the Mine
Pat + Jen

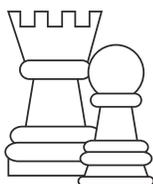
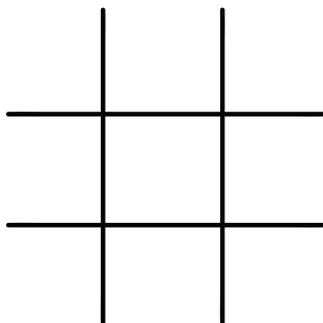


Level 13
Gordon Korman



Doodle Time!

Challenge someone to a game of Tic Tac Toe



WEEK 11

GAMERS UNITE!

- Try out coding and creating your own game in Scratch. <https://scratch.mit.edu/>
- Organize a group game event with friends or family. What game did everyone enjoy the most?
- Talk to a grandparent or other friend or relative - what games did they play as kids?

PENCIL & PAPER GAMES

Here are three fun games you can play right in the booklet!

WORD WATCH

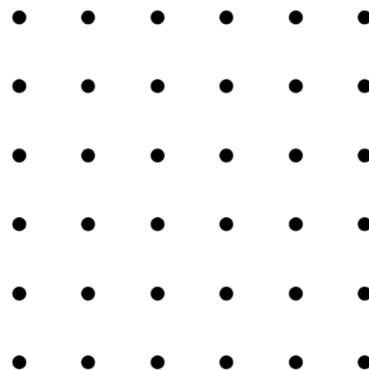
Wherever you are, look around you and write down what you see. Can you write a word for each letter of the alphabet?

- | | |
|---------|---------|
| A _____ | N _____ |
| B _____ | O _____ |
| C _____ | P _____ |
| D _____ | Q _____ |
| E _____ | R _____ |
| F _____ | S _____ |
| G _____ | T _____ |
| H _____ | U _____ |
| I _____ | V _____ |
| J _____ | W _____ |
| K _____ | X _____ |
| L _____ | Y _____ |
| M _____ | Z _____ |

Give yourself a point for each word: _____

DOTS & BOXES

Play with a friend, each of you using a different colored pen. Take turns drawing a line between dots and see who can make the most boxes!

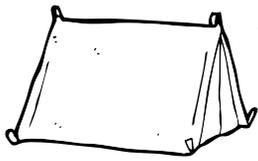


20 QUESTIONS

Think of an object (like an animal, toy, or plant). Write it on the line below, then challenge a grownup to guess what it is by asking Yes or No questions only. Can they guess what you wrote before they use up their 20 questions?

A MOMENT FOR YOU:

On a piece of paper, write your name in large block letters. Then doodle shapes, spirals, and lines off your name to fill in the empty space around the letters.



WEEK 12

THE GREAT OUTDOORS!

- Go on a nature walk and collect items along the way. Transform those items into a collage.
- On a partly cloudy day, look up at the clouds. Use your imagination to see a variety of animals.
- Build a maze using sticks you find on a nature walk. How big or small was your maze?

FIND THESE 5 BIRDS

Look for these birds on a walk or out a window!

1. Black-capped Chickadee



4. Robin



2. Cardinal



3. Mallard Duck



5. Red-winged Blackbird



1. A small bird with a black head who sounds like he says "cheeseburger"
2. Bright red bird with a beautiful song found high in a tree
3. Green headed male and brown speckled female often found swimming
4. Orange belly bird that likes to hunt for worms on lawns
5. Red and yellow shoulder patch often found on reeds

A MOMENT FOR YOU:

Getting outside helps your mind and body. You can get natural Vitamin D and also help improve your focus. How do you feel after you play outside? What is something you like to play?

We Recommend

Shorter books...



The Tree and Me
Deborah Zemke

Eva's Treetop Festival
Rebecca Elliot



Handimals
Guido Daniele

Longer books...



The Owls Have Come to Take Us Away
Roland L. Smith

Be Prepared
Vera Brosgol



I Survived the Attack of the Grizzlies, 1967
Lauren Tarshis



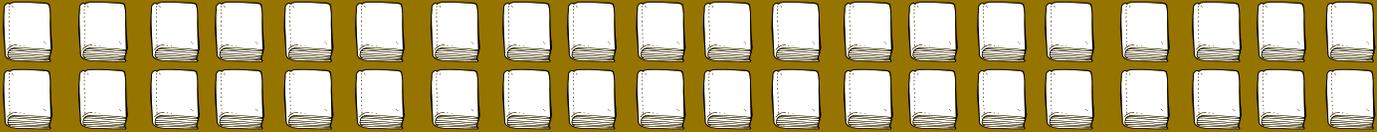
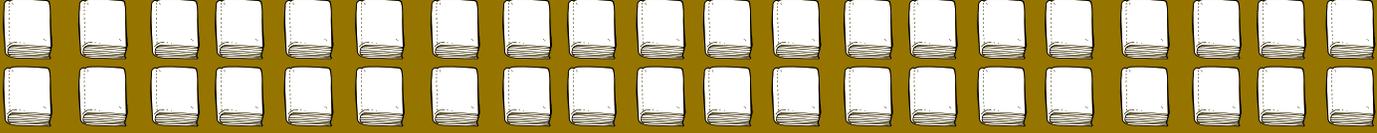
Flip-o-Rama! pt. 2

Create a mini-animation by drawing a image here and on part 1 then flipping between the two pages.

5000-PAGE challenge

Did you finish your 1000-Page Challenge (see page 2) early? Keep reading! Read an additional 4000 pages (or 400 books) to earn a second entry into the end of summer drawing!

1  = 10 PAGES

	1400 PAGES
	1800 PAGES
	2200 PAGES
	2600 PAGES
	3000 PAGES
	3400 PAGES
	3800 PAGES
	4200 PAGES
	4600 PAGES
	5000 PAGES



Return for another chance to win a \$10 gift card to Barnes & Noble at the end of the summer.

Fill out the form, then either drop in the book return of your Scott County Library or mail to:

**Scott County Library Administration
1615 Weston Court
Shakopee, MN 55379**

First and Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____ Age: _____

Email: _____

Favorite book from summer: _____

I do NOT wish to participate in an online survey about Summer Spotlight this fall