

HAPPY
Summer

Summer Reading Tips
District Dyslexia
Department





BE INFORMED IN...

avoiding the **SUMMER SLIDE**

2 1/2 months of **math** skills are lost over summer

Approx. **2 months** of **reading** skills are lost over summer

Each fall teachers spend **6+ weeks** re-teaching old material

Just **2-3 hours** a week spent practicing skills can **prevent** the **summer slide**

Fun Word Games To Keep Kids Learning This Summer:

Summer's here and with it comes a few more cries of "I'm bored" and "When do I get screen time again?" Lucky for us, simple pen-and-paper word games and activities can break the monotony when there seems to be nothing to do – like on long car rides, while running errands, or when you're stuck at home because the weather's not cooperating.

Next time you're looking for easy ways to entertain little readers, try these fun activities...



Activity 1- I Spy

This one's very familiar, but there's a reason it's a classic. Spot something and tell kids what letter it begins with, then have them try to guess what you're peeping!



Activity 2- **Word Hunting**

Perfect for kids who are practicing their alphabet skills, this game is all about collecting words you see around you. Give your children a notebook of “tasks” to fulfill, or words to find, as they look at their surroundings such as “words that start with D.” Encourage your kids to write down these words, then read the words back aloud to them. For children who’ve started reading, make it more complex with specific tasks like “words on a restaurant signs” or “words with double letters,” and prompt them to read the words aloud on their own.

Great Game for car rides!



— Irene M. Pepperberg

Activity 3- **Big Words, Little Words**

Write a big word on a piece of paper. It doesn't matter so much the kids know it, as it does that it has a nice collection of letters. Give your child a time span (a minute or two) to write down all the smaller words they can make from the big word.



The trick to these activities is that they work best when you're not focusing too much on the end game. Instead of checking sight words off a list or worrying about reading levels, just enjoy some silliness and know you're inspiring an appreciation for words and language.





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learning and joyful experiences
with family and friends.**



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