

Don't Let Learning Melt Away this Summer

THE FACTS

-2
MONTHS
LOST

Many students lose the equivalent of *2 full months* of learning in math and reading over the summer.

6
WEEKS
WASTED

In the fall, students often must spend 6 weeks re-learning old material from before summer break.

2/3
OF THE GAP

Summer learning loss accounts for up to two-thirds of the gap in reading ability between lower- and higher-income students in 9th grade.

2-3
HOURS
IS ENOUGH

Even just 2-3 hours of learning activity (like reading a book) per week makes a big difference in reducing summer learning loss.

ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO



READ

Reading just *5 books* over the summer may be enough to prevent learning loss. Find a summer reading program and make sure your child reads 15-20 minutes every day!



PRACTICE

Practice important math skills with online games, board games, and apps. If you find the right game, it won't feel like homework.



EXPLORE

Summer is a great time to explore new things or learn a new skill — like how to cook or how to code. Find out what your child is curious about, then help them find books, videos and activities that connect to their goal.

SOURCES

- National Summer Learning Association: summerlearning.org
- Reading Rockets: readingrockets.org
- RAND Corporation: rand.org
- The Brookings Institute: brookings.edu
- Harvard Graduate School of Education: gse.harvard.edu



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