

Summer Reading Activities



	Second Grade – Activity #7
Title	Joy of Reading
Parent Information	<p>Reading aloud and exploring literature together is an important part of building literacy skills. Developing print concepts, understanding story elements, learning vocabulary, and building background knowledge are just a few skills that can come from reading with your child. Listening to and talking about the books you read together also supports social emotional learning. Choose books with your child and let their interests guide your selections. Try creating a reading time routine with your child.</p> <p>Second grade students are becoming more independent with their reading skills and are eager to read a variety of text. There are many wonderful chapter book series and non-fiction selections that are geared for this age range. Independent reading does not have to mean “silent” reading. As children become more fluent with their reading it is still beneficial for them to read aloud and to listen to fluent reading.</p>
Objective	Read, share, and enjoy books together
Time	20 -25 minutes daily
Materials	Variety of books – fiction and non-fiction
Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set aside a time each day to read with your child. • Have your child choose a book to read. Preview the text for vocabulary, story elements, or concepts that might be interesting or challenging so you can support as needed. • Decide who will be the “reader” or take turns reading the text. • Introduce the title, author, and illustrator if applicable. • Read the text and support your child by monitoring, providing feedback, and having conversations about the more complex story plots or informational concepts. • After reading, talk about the book and ask questions to check for understanding. • For longer texts, break the reading time up by chapters or natural stopping points.
Additional Resources and Information	<p>Visit your local library:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sno-Isle Libraries • Everett Public Library <p>Visit Reading Rockets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading Tips for Parents of Second Graders • Fluency: Activities for Your Second Grader

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	<p>Fictional text suggestions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>A to Z Mysteries</i> Books by Ron Roy• <i>Alvin Ho</i> Books by Lenore Look• <i>Amazing Grace</i> Books by Mary Hoffman• <i>Cam Jansen</i> Books by David Adler• <i>Clementine</i> Books by Sara PennyPacker• <i>Dog Man Books</i> by Dav Pilkey• <i>Flat Stanley</i> Books by Jeff Brown• <i>Ivy & Bean</i> Books by Annie Barrows & Sophie Blackall• <i>Junie B. Jones</i> Books by Barbara Park• <i>Little Rhino</i> Books by Ryan & Krystle Howard• <i>Magic Treehouse</i> Books by Mary Pope Osborne• <i>Mouse and the Motorcycle</i> Books by Beverly Cleary• <i>Meet Yasmin!</i> Books by Saasia Faruqi• <i>Nate the Great</i> Books by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat• <i>Ramona the Pest</i> Books by Beverly Cleary• <i>Stink</i> Books by Megan McDonald• <i>Sofia Martinez</i> Books by Jacqueline Jules• <i>The Boxcar Children</i> Books by Gertrude Chandler Warner• <i>The Land of Stories</i> Books by Chris Colfer• <i>The Littles</i> Books by John Peterson• <i>The Magic School Bus</i> Books by Joanna Cole <p>Nonfiction text suggestions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Emergent Science Readers by Scholastic• National Geographic Kids Readers• Rookie Read-About™ Geography Books