


# August

## CCIRA Family Literacy Activity Calendar INTERMEDIATE GRADES 3-6

<p><b>These activities can be used to encourage students to continue engaging in literacy (as well as some math and physical exercises!) during their vacation time.</b></p>	<p><b>1</b> <b>Birthday of Gail Gibbons</b>, author of many nonfiction books. Read a nonfiction book and tell someone what you have learned.</p>	<p><b>2</b> Think of places that begin with the same letter as your first name. Try to find some of those places on a globe or map.</p>	<p><b>3</b> Read a book, or a chapter from a book about friends. <i>Charlotte's Web</i> by E.B. White is a good example.</p>	<p><b>4</b> Are you a good friend? Make a list of the reasons you think you are a good friend.</p>	<p><b>5</b> If it is a sunny day, go outside and find your shadow. Measure it at 3 different times of the day. When was your shadow the longest? Do you know why?</p>	<p><b>6</b> <b>Friendship Day</b></p> <p>What makes a good friend? Make a card or write a letter thanking one of your friends for being a good friend to you.</p>
<p><b>7</b> Pretend you are a wallpaper designer. Make a pattern using 3 different colors and 4 different shapes. What room in a house would be best for this wallpaper?</p>	<p><b>8</b> Read a poem today.</p>	<p><b>9</b> <b>Birthday of Jose Aruego</b>, author &amp; illustrator of <i>Rockabye Crocodile: A Folktale from the Philippines</i>. What is your favorite folk tale? Read it or tell it to someone today.</p>	<p><b>10</b> Write about what you hope your first day of school will be like this year.</p>	<p><b>11</b> What is your favorite sports team? What is their team mascot? What mascot would you choose for a team you formed? Draw a picture of it, and explain your reason for choosing it.</p>	<p><b>12</b> Go outside and run for 3 minutes, then walk briskly for 3 minutes. What do you like to do better? Why? Make a list about the reasons exercise is good for you.</p>	<p><b>13</b> Look in the paper for ads about school supplies. What supplies do you need? How much do they cost?</p>
<p><b>14</b> Make a letter thanking someone who has taught you something important. Give or send the letter to that person.</p>	<p><b>15</b> Draw a map showing how to get from your house to your school. Include all the street names.</p>	<p><b>16</b> Try to write a rhyming poem about summer days.</p>	<p><b>17</b> Read quietly for 25 minutes today.</p>	<p><b>18</b> Ask family members what their favorite word is, and why they like it. Tell them about your favorite word.</p>	<p><b>19</b> Design a book cover for your favorite book.</p>	<p><b>20</b> Ask a family member to tell you about his or her favorite story, and then share yours with him or her.</p>
<p><b>21</b> Look up the word run in the dictionary. How many meanings does it have? Did you learn a new meaning of the word?</p>	<p><b>22</b> Ask older family members what school was like when they were your age. Make a chart of what is the same and what is different.</p>	<p><b>23</b> Read aloud to someone today.</p>	<p><b>24</b> Use the internet, the newspaper or books to find out what events have happened on this date in history. Which is the most interesting?</p>	<p><b>25</b> Read a book with someone today. You read one page, and then let him or her read the next. Keep switching.</p>	<p><b>26</b> Write your name down the side of a paper. Go back and write a word that describes you that begins with each of the letters. Decorate the page.</p>	<p><b>27</b> Read the comics with someone. Which comic does each of you think is the funniest? Do you have the same reason for thinking your choice is funny?</p>
<p><b>28</b> Ask family members about the fire escape plan in your house. Write a thank you note to the firefighters at the station near to your home.</p>	<p><b>29</b> Work on a jigsaw puzzle with family members or friends. Think about how you decide which piece goes where.</p>	<p><b>30</b> How tall are you in centimeters? How many kilograms do you weigh?</p>	<p><b>31</b> Reread a favorite book, and share the best part out loud with someone you love.</p>	<p>Read</p> 	<p>Write</p> 	<p>Wonder</p> 