

June

CCIRA Family Literacy Activity Calendar INTERMEDIATE GRADES 3-6

	<p>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.</p>	<p>1 The gem for June is a pearl. See if you can find out where pearls come from and how they are harvested.</p>	<p>2 Ask if you can join your library's summer reading program, or at least plan on visiting the library twice each month of vacation.</p>	<p>3 Who is your favorite book illustrator? What other books did he or she illustrate? Try to get one, and read it. Draw your own picture of your favorite part.</p>	<p>4 How many people can you think of who have the same first name as you? Are any famous? If so, read about that person.</p>	<p>5 Read a nonfiction book today and tell someone the most interesting fact you discovered in your reading.</p>
<p>6 Birthday of Richard Spier, author of <i>People</i>. Make a chart to show how your five best friends are alike, and how they are different. If you can, read <i>People</i> and talk about it with others.</p>	<p>7 Write and send a letter to a family member or friend.</p>	<p>8 Read aloud for 15 minutes to one of your family members or friends today.</p>	<p>9 Tell a family member or friend about your favorite TV show. Ask him or her which show he or she likes best. Do you have the same reasons for liking a show?</p>	<p>10 Birthday of Maurice Sendak, author of <i>Chicken Soup with Rice</i>. Read this book and then write what activity you would choose to represent each month of the year. Illustrate your work.</p>	<p>11 Play a board game, a word game or a card game with your family today.</p>	<p>12 Birthday of Johanna Spyri, author of <i>Heidi</i>. Find Switzerland on a map or globe. Find pictures of the Alps. Would you like to visit there?</p>
<p>13 Make a card to share with your father or a special friend. Be sure to give or send the card to him for Father's Day.</p>	<p>14 Flag Day On the computer, or at the library, look up the history of our flag. Why was June 14 chosen as Flag Day?</p>	<p>15 Look through a mail catalogue today. Select five items you would like to have. What would the total cost be? What would the shipping cost?</p>	<p>16 Look at a map of a state you would like to visit. What big city is most western? What city is most northern? Are there mountains in this state?</p>	<p>17 Read the comics. Draw a funny cartoon character of your own. What name would you give your character?</p>	<p>18 Look at the nutrition labels on two foods that you like to eat. Which food do you think is healthier? Why?</p>	<p>19 Find out the year in which each of your family members was born. What year will it be when each one of them turns 93?</p>
<p>20 Read a poem today.</p>	<p>21 First Day of Summer Do you wish summer were longer? Make a chart of the reasons it would be good, and the reasons it would not be good to have a longer summer.</p>	<p>22 Ask someone to read a book or newspaper article aloud to you today. Discuss what was read.</p>	<p>23 Find a friend's name, address and phone number in the telephone book. How many people have the same last name as your friend? How many people have your last name?</p>	<p>24 Look up a new cookie recipe that you would like to try. Ask if you can make the cookies.</p>	<p>25 Birthday of Eric Carle Read an Eric Carle book to someone younger than you.</p>	<p>26 Write a short piece about "The Perfect Age to Be." Share it with a friend.</p>
<p>27 Check the weather forecast in the newspaper or on the internet. Besides the temperature, what other weather information can you find?</p>	<p>28 Read a nonfiction book or magazine article about animals.</p>	<p>29 Make 2 bookmarks today. Give one to a family member or friend. Keep the other for your own book!</p>	<p>30 Birthday of David McPhail, author of many books, including mysteries. Try to find a mystery you can read with someone.</p>			