



Summer Reading Extravaganza

Dear Families,

One of the most important things that we can do is to encourage our students to develop a love of reading. It's a life skill that will certainly serve them well in the future. Research shows that regular reading throughout summer helps to prevent regression of learned skills!

To promote regular reading this summer, we're providing you with our **Summer Reading Extravaganza!** Enclosed you will find a "**Blend as you read**", which is an effective strategy to help your child read words. You will also find a "**Reading Bingo**", which provides **FUN** activities that can engage the whole family and foster that love of reading! On the back you will see a "**Summer Reading is Fun**" reading log. We encourage your child to record each book that they read throughout the summer. (Add additional pages if necessary).

Also, Clark Memorial Library located in Richmond has a summer reading program that will be accepted as "Summer Reading" for our students. The website is www.clarklib.org/summer-reading-program. The library will be visiting Richmond and providing your child with information about this program.

When school reopens, your child should return their Reading log and/or Bingo. We'll find a special way to recognize your child for their efforts :)

The following are interactive websites for your child as well:

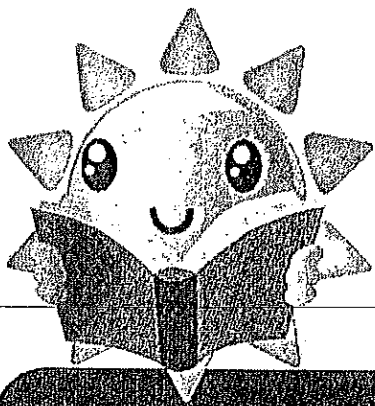
- www.funbrain.com
- www.vocaroo.com
- www.learnzillion.com
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- www.readworks.org
- www.abcya.com
- www.kidsblog.com
- www.clpgh.org/kids/storymaker/
- www.e-learningforkids.org
- www.merriam-webster.com/word-games
- www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/games/questionaut/
- <http://pbskids.org>
- www.scholastic.com/magicschoolbus/
- <https://www.brainpop.com/free-stuff/>

Have a wonderful summer and keep reading!

Sincerely,

The Reading Teachers

Richmond Elementary School



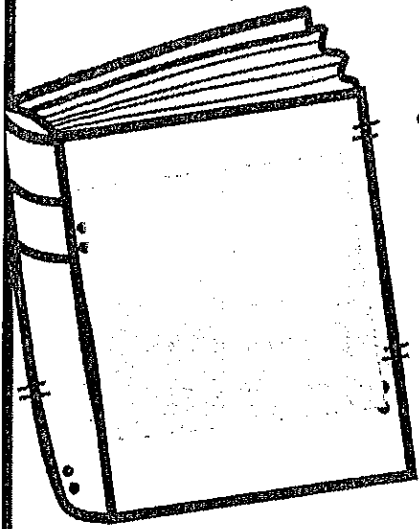
Mark off each square that you do this summer.
One book can count for more than one square.

Summer

READ

BINGO

Read 1 Book of Your Choice	Read a Fiction Book	Listen to an Audio Book	Visit A Library	Read a Poem
Read a Book by an Author You Have Never Read Before	Read a Book About an Animal (Fiction or Non-Fiction)	Read a Book by Your Favorite Author	Read a Non-Fiction Book	Watch a Movie Based on a Book
Read a Book About a Hobby or Craft (Optional: Try it)	Read a Book Recommended by a Friend		Read Your Favorite Book	Read a Book About Outer Space (Fiction or Non-Fiction)
Read a Recipe (Optional: Make it)	Read the Directions for Your Favorite Game (Optional: Play it)	Read a Menu (Optional: Order Your Favorite Dish)	Read 1 Book of Your Choice	Read a Book About a Sport (Optional: Play it)
Read 1 Book of Your Choice	Read 10 Labels on Things Around Your House	Read a book That Starts With the First Letter of Your Name	Read a Book That is Part of a Series	Read 1 Book of Your Choice



Blend As You Read

A blending strategy that WORKS!

What is blending?

Blending is mentally joining the written spelling of speech sounds to read a word.

Why do students use blending?

Students use blending to help figure out unknown words. Students can get frustrated when they don't know the word AND when they can't blend the sounds together correctly.

Blending strategies your child may already know

THESE
not
WORKING?



sound + sound + sound = word

OR

1st sound + rest of the letters = word



**These work for SOME kids,
but not MOST!**

TRY

Blend As You Read

Flip to learn more!

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What is Blend As You Read (BAYR)?

BAYR is a simple, effective strategy to help students blend words. It works with ALL students, but it is especially helpful for those who are struggling with decoding words. BAYR is just a fancy way of saying "keep adding sounds until you read the word."

How it works

1. Cover the last sound of the word.

sa 

2. Put the first two sounds of the word together.

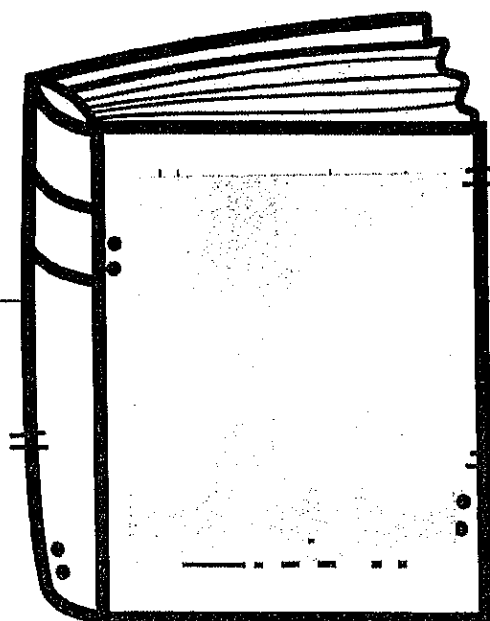
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3. Uncover the 3rd sound. Add it to the part you already have.

/ssaaaaa----t/

4. What's the word?

sat



When to use BAYR

Anytime your child is reading and gets stuck on a word!

Name: _____

Summer Reading is Fun!

	Date	Title	Rate It
1			★ ★ ★ ★
2			★ ★ ★ ★
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