

Rising 3rd grade Families,

As we approach the end of the school year, we wanted to take a moment to discuss an important topic that can significantly impact your child's learning journey: the "summer slide."

The summer slide refers to the learning loss that can occur during the long summer break. Research shows that students can lose several months' worth of reading and math skills if they do not engage in educational activities over the summer. This can make it challenging for them to catch up when the new school year begins.

To help prevent the summer slide, I encourage you to incorporate some simple, fun, and educational activities into your child's summer routine. Below is your scholars to do list this summer

To do:

- Journal Writing: Use your new notebook and calendars to write as much as you can this summer!
- IXL BINGO: Find your scholars username and password and complete bingo sheet.
- Book Report: Use epic or your book to write complete the attached Book Report.

We hope you have a lovely summer, 2nd grade team

July Writing Prompts

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Today is the halfway point of the year! What was your favorite day of 2024 so far? What happened?	2 Write a funny story about a dog that sits at the dinner table for meals.	3 This summer, I am going to learn how to	4 Explain what the 4th of July means to you.	5 If I could invent a new flavor of ice cream, it would be	6 If you could tame any wild animal, what would it be and why?
7 Name one thing you like about yourself. Why do you like it?	8 You're going on a road trip! What do you bring?	Design your own treehouse. What will it look like, and what will you put in it?	10 This summer, I hope I am lucky enough to	You've just won the talent show! What did you do to win?	12 If you were a teacher, which subject would you teach? Why?	13 Write about your favorite outdoor summer activity.
If cats could talk, they would say	Write about a food you have never eaten but really want to try. Why do you want to try it?	Which would you rather be—super-strong or super-fast? Why?	17 Design your perfect birthday party.	18 Describe something you're really good at.	19 The three things I appreciate most about my family are	20 If I had wings like a hummingbird, I would fly to
Imagine you have a pet monkey! What do you do with it?	You find shoes that turn you into a giant! What will you do?	23 How do you feel about surprises?	Imagine you're 24 an animal at the zoo. Write about the day you escape!	25 Write a different ending to your favorite book.	26 What is something you do that makes people laugh?	Someone who can always make me laugh when I'm sad is, because
28 Write a poem about a sunny day.	Explain how to fly a kite to someone who has never done it before.	If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go and why?	31 I laughed so hard when			
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August Writing Prompts

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 If you were a crayon, what color would you be? Why?	2 What is your favorite physical activity? Why?	3 Imagine running into someone famous. Write out your conversation.
Imagine going for a ride in a hot air balloon. What do you see as you look down?	5 Write a letter to a pen pal describing your town.	6 Describe the colors in the sky at sunset.	7 Write a funny story about a family who is taking a road trip across America.	8 Imagine you invent a new kind of car! What does it look like?	9 When I am sad, one thing that always makes me feel better is	10 Create a symbol that represents your family. What does it mean?
11 Describe something in your life that makes you happy.	12 What is your favorite type of music? Why?	If you were a tour guide for your city, where would you take visitors? Why?	You're in charge of a garden. What do you plant there, and how will you take care of it?	15 What do you like best about your friends?	16 My favorite way to cool down during summer is	17 Write a funny story titled "The Day I Joined the Circus."
Let's go to the beach! What foods do you bring? What games will you play?	Pretend you have the power to create your own holiday. Explain why it would be celebrated.	20 Write a poem about the last person who smiled at you.	21 Make a checklist of the things you will do to get ready for school.	22 If I were locked in my favorite restau- rant overnight, I would	Create a family tree that includes drawings and descriptions of family members.	Pretend you are a pair of sunglasses. Write about your day in the sun.
25 Would you rather be as big as an ostrich or as small as a hummingbird?	26 Write a story about your two favorite superheroes.	27 Write a fictional story from a ladybug's point of view.	28 Once upon a time	29 Describe how to get from your school to your home.	30 Write about a time someone gave you good advice.	31 Write about the best dream you ever had.
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IXL SUMMER 2024

Earn a gold medal by achieving a SmartScore of 100 on a skill.	Create a math word problem for a friend or family member to solve.	Write a short poem about summer. OR Practice a figurative language skill.	Practice a "Try something new" skill on your IXL Recommendations wall. Skill code:	Play a learning game on IXL or ABCya.com.
Work on at least 2 skills a	Practice a skill at next year's grade level.	Teach a friend or family member how	Practice IXL on 25 different	Read a book, and share a summary of

week for 1 month.	level. Skill code:	to do a skill that you've mastered.	days this summer.	summary of the plot with your family.
Work on IXL for 10-15 minutes 5 days in a row. Dates:	Check the grammar of a news article or social media post. OR Practice a grammar skill.	IT'S SUMMER! FREE SPACE	Learn about an event that happened in the year you were born. OR Practice a U.S. history skill.	Earn a red ribbon by achieving a SmartScore of 70 on a skill. Skill code:
Beat your average questions answered 3 weeks in a row. Dates:	Answer 100 questions on IXL.	Earn a blue ribbon by achieving a SmartScore of 80 on a skill.	Research your favorite animal, and share fun facts with a friend. OR Practice a biology skill.	Practice IXL for 5 days in a row in July.
Earn 3 IXL certificates.	Practice a "Go for gold" skill from your IXL Recommendations wall.	Practice IXL for 5 days in a row in August.	Earn a green ribbon by achieving a SmartScore of 90 on a skill.	Conduct a science experiment, and share the results with your family.

Stay sharp this summer on IXL!





DID YOU KNOW?

Studies have found that students lose one to two months of math and reading skills over the summer. Use IXL to encourage your child to continue learning!

HOW DO I FIND SKILLS TO WORK ON?

- 1. Sign in to your child's account at www.ixl.com
- 2. You'll be taken to your child's personal dashboard. Here you can see suggestions from their teachers of skills to work on over the summer as well as recommendations based on their practice history and learning needs.
- 3. Have your child explore these recommendations and choose skills that are interesting to them.
- 4. Keep coming back to see new suggestions throughout the summer!



HOW DO I CHECK MY CHILD'S PROGRESS?

- 1. Sign in to your child's account and select the "Analytics" tab.
- 2. You'll be taken to your child's Student Summary report.

- 3. Review the list of accomplishments and skills to work on.
- 4. Encourage your child to keep learning!



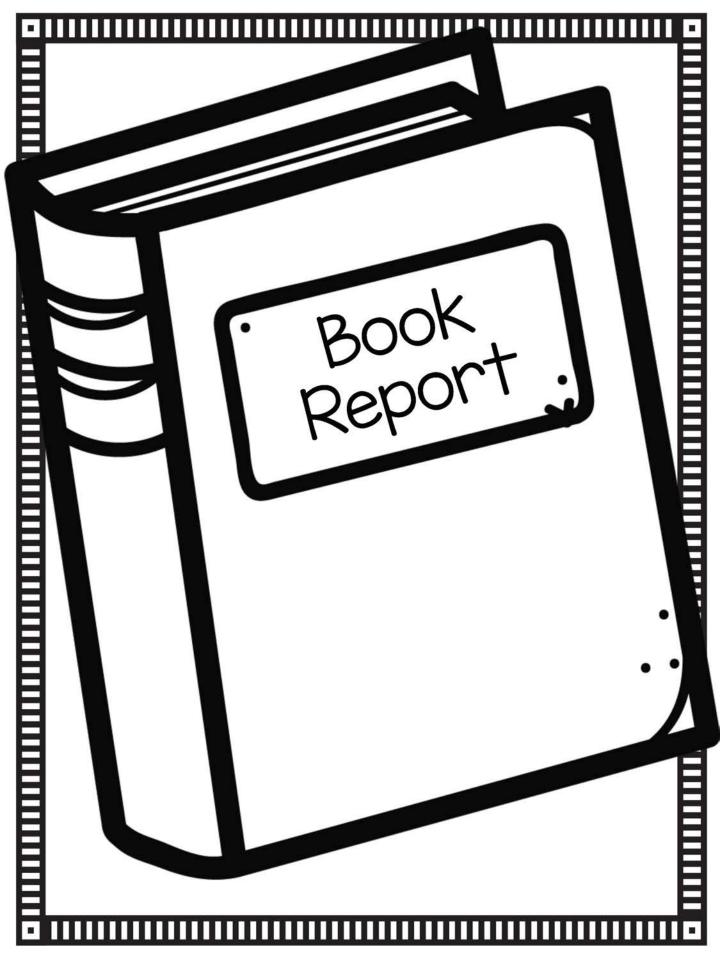


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