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# Reading Summer Suggestions for Parents

# of 7th and 8th Grade Students

Listed below are a few suggestions that you may like to try with your child over the summer in order to aid them with their comprehension skills.

* Ask them to write a review for their favorite:
  + Story
  + TV show
    - and share this with you and /or the family.
* Ask your child to draw a new Book Cover of their favorite story or book.
* Ask them to retell the sequence of events that happened in a
  + life event
  + game them may have played
  + show they watched
* During a commercial from a TV show, ask your child what they think will happen next and why in the episode.
* Email/text your child with questions similar to these listed below:
  + How is your day going
  + What do you feel about…
  + Who do you want to hang out with today and why
    - Encourage them to write in complete thoughts and not just text ease.
* Listen to audiobooks, podcasts. Listen in the car, while cleaning room, taking a walk. <https://www.commonsensemedia.org/blog/the-best-podcasts-for-kids>
* Let your child follow recipes to make a snack, dessert or a meal.
* Use your Free Library of Philadelphia library card to borrow books or audio books online using apps like Libby, Overdrive, and more
  + If you need to a library card, you can apply here.<https://catalog.freelibrary.org/MyResearch/register/policy>
* Let them choose their own books.
* Read anything. Read together.
* Talk about your favorite books or authors when you were young.
* Play Family games: Apples to Apples, Boggle, Bananagrams, Scattergories, Boggle, Scrabble, What’s Gnu?
* Visit author’s websites or follow them on Instagram, Facebook or watch book trailers on youtube.
* Read books and then watch the movie version. Compare. Already saw the movie, read the book.
* Set up book clubs with your child’s friends through Zoom or Facetime.
* Swap books with friends.Make it fun! Don’t let it be a battle between you and your child. Play games, use apps and technology and when we can visit places, take educational trips.