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# SUMMER IS FOR...

FRIENDSHIP

HELPING

DRAWING

TRAVEL

PLAYING

FIREFLIES

MOVIES

HUGS

PICNICS

PAINTING

IMAGINATION

SWIMMING

BEACH



COMBING



GROWING

SAND CASTLES

CAMP

EXPLORING

ADVENTURE

HIKING  
CARTWHEELS

DREAMING

STARGAZING

BBQ



READING



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## SUMMER LEARNING 2022

# SUMMER IS FOR ... FUN!

[June 25 - August 27]



## ACTIVITY BADGES

### Read:

Complete any 7 of the 10 suggested reading challenges to earn the Read badge! This badge encourages you to get outside your comfort zone and choose books you might not usually pick up. Each book you read can only be counted once, even if it fits multiple criteria. Read 7 unique titles to earn this badge.

### Music, Create, Write, Explore, Play, Lexington:

Complete any 7 of the 10 suggested activities to earn each badge! Badges can be completed in any order, so start with what interests you most. Do one activity per week to earn one badge or one activity per day to earn all seven.

For each activity badge earned, the Friends of the Library will donate \$1 to the Lexington Interfaith Food Pantry, up to \$500. Visit the library to vote on how your dollar is spent!

## READING LOG

You can also log your reading time towards a goal of 24 hours and a voucher for \$5 at the Friends of the Library used book sale! Read just 30 minutes a day, 6 days a week to meet this goal. Time spent reading books for the Read badge does count towards your time goal.

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## Summer Learning is sponsored by The Friends of Cary Memorial Library.

This challenge is open to children who will be enrolled in kindergarten through 5th grade in the Fall. Pre-school aged children should participate in our Early Literacy Summer Challenge. Students entering grades 6-12 may participate in the Teen Summer Challenge.

**Challenges begin June 25 and end August 27. The last day to claim prizes is Saturday, September 3.**

## USEFUL RESOURCES

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Visit [caryllibrary.org/programs](http://caryllibrary.org/programs) to see what's happening at the library. Filter by category to limit what's shown.

### USERNAME:

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### PASSWORD:

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[caryllibrary.beanstack.org](http://caryllibrary.beanstack.org)



## write badge

- Compose an acrostic poem using the letters in your name as the first letter of each line.
- Write about someone you admire. Research someone famous or interview someone you know to learn at least 5 new facts about them.
- Write an original story. You could write about people you know, imagine a different ending to a book you've read, or invent totally fictional characters in a completely made up place.
- Journal about your day.
- Write a letter to a favorite author. If the author is living, bring your letter to Cary Library, and we will mail it for you!
- Review a book. What did you like or not like? Could you relate to any of the characters? Would you recommend it to a friend?
- Write a letter to advocate for change. Contact an elected official about something that is important to you, or write to a company about something you'd like to see changed.
- Write your own haiku. Use five, seven, and then five syllables per line.
- Write (or fracture) a fairy tale: Create your own fairytale or change something in an original fairytale and make it your own!
- Write a thank you note to a community worker.



## music badge

- Make up a song. Write new words for a familiar tune or make something totally unique.
- Make a musical instrument of your own. Try rice or beans inside a plastic egg or bottle for a shaker, turn an empty container into a drum, or secure a square of wax paper over a toilet paper tube for a kazoo!
- Listen to some music (any kind will do) and draw or paint what you hear.
- Read a book about a musician or composer.
- Learn a popular dance from before the 21st century like the Charleston, the hand jive, the running man, or the macarena.
- Listen to music from a culture or country you are not familiar with.
- Learn a bit of music history and listen to music from the past. See how many you can find, but choose songs from at least 5 different decades.
- Watch a musical, ballet, or opera. Choose a movie, live performance, or recording.
- Interview an adult about their favorite music memories from when they were your age.
- Put on a music show for your family and friends.



## explore badge

- Do a science experiment. Try call number j507.8.
- Solve a logic puzzle or play sudoku.
- Collect and classify rocks, shells, or bugs.
- Engineering Challenge: Build a bridge using basic materials like toothpicks, craft sticks, index cards, etc. How much weight can it hold? What can you do to make it stronger?
- Fold origami. Look for books in j736.982
- Go on an observation walk or hike. Photograph or draw new things you see along the way—plants, creatures, buildings, and more!
- Read a book about an animal you don't know much about.
- Grow a seed! Find gardening tips at j635.
- Go stargazing. Learn to identify a constellation and the story behind it.
- Bake for someone. For some fun new recipes check out the books in j641.865.



## play badge

- Move your body! Try a new form of movement like yoga, zumba, martial arts, or put on some music and have a dance party.
- Get outside! Play in a park or your own backyard.
- Do a puzzle or play a card game or board game.
- Hide some 'treasure' and draw a map to help a friend or family member find it.
- Learn a magic trick. For help, check out the books in the j793.8 section!
- Build a pillow fort and hunker down inside with a good book.
- Play sidewalk games such as hopscotch, hula hoop, or jump rope.
- Play with water or have a water fight! Get out the sprinklers, the hose, buckets, water balloons... and have fun playing with water!
- Have fun playing with bubbles! You could make your own bubble solution, make your own bubble wands, giant bubbles, colorful bubbles...
- Help a neighbor or help around your own house! Ask if you can wash the car, feed a pet, weed the garden, rake leaves, bring in the mail, help take out the recycling, cook a meal, or do something else that might be needed.



## create badge

- Paint or draw a portrait of a friend or family member while they paint or draw a portrait of you. Then paint or draw self-portraits. Compare how they see you and how you see yourself.
- Make a puppet and put on a show. You could make a simple puppet, like a paper bag puppet, or something more elaborate, like a marionette!
- Read a biography of an artist, and create a work of art in their style.
- Illustrate your favorite fairy tale or an original tale written by you!
- Decorate your driveway or sidewalk with chalk.
- Cut out paper snowflakes and have a blizzard in the summer!
- Make a collage or mosaic with cut paper or found objects.
- Make a poster for a cause.
- Wake up early to watch the sun rise. Use all your senses to describe what you see, hear, and smell in writing or a work of art.
- Get Stamping: Ask an adult to help you cut a potato in half and carve a shape into the cut face. Dip your stamp into paint and make your mark on paper! Experiment with other vegetables and fruits to see what shapes they naturally make.



## Lexington badge

- View or participate in a Munroe Center for the Arts public art project. Find out what's happening at [munroecenter.org/artwalk](http://munroecenter.org/artwalk).
- Walk or ride along the Minuteman bike path.
- Listen to a free tour of the Battle Green or another Lexington by Foot & Phone tour found at [lexingtonhistory.org](http://lexingtonhistory.org).
- Visit the graves of the old burial ground.
- Take a StoryWalk around Lincoln Park and read and interact with the book as you go! Find a location map at [caryllibrary.org/storywalk](http://caryllibrary.org/storywalk).
- Explore an ACROSS Lexington trail. Visit [lexingtonma.gov/across-lexington](http://lexingtonma.gov/across-lexington) for maps and information.
- Read an article in a local newspaper or magazine.
- Have a picnic at Hastings Park, Tower Park, or Antony Park.
- Tour the Revolutionary Heritage exhibit at the Visitors Center. Can you spot Prince Estabrook in the diorama?
- Read a book about the history of Lexington.



## read badge

- A book with a social justice theme. For suggestions, look up the Walter Dean Myers or Stonewall Book Awards or ask a librarian.

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- A work of nonfiction on a subject that you don't know much about.

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- A comic or graphic novel.

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- A novel based on folklore, a fairy tale, or mythology AND the traditional tale it is based upon.

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- A book featuring a main character with a disability. See the Schneider Family Book Award for suggestions.

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- A collection of poetry or a novel in verse—a story told through poems.

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- A book with a main character of a different race or ethnicity than you. Refer to the following awards lists for suggestions:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ American Indian Youth Literature Award</li> <li>▪ Asian/Pacific Islander Award for Literature</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Coretta Scott King Book Award</li> <li>▪ John Steptoe New Talent Award</li> <li>▪ Pura Belpré Award</li> </ul> |
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- Ask an adult to recommend their favorite book from when they were your age, read it together, and then talk about it!

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- A book set in a country other than the United States, a translated book, or a book written in a language other than English.

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- A book featuring a main character from a different religious background than you. For suggestions, look up the Girls of the Crescent book list, the Sydney Taylor Book Award, or ask a librarian.

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