

Saanich Schools Literacy Link

Tools, Tips and Strategies to Support Literacy at Home



What is the Summer Slide?

Many children lose reading progress over the summer. This can be up to 1-2 months, and sometimes more.

Students who don't read regularly may fall behind year after year.






Reading loss is cumulative and hard to recover from.

Good News:

Just **15-20 MINUTES OF DAILY READING** can prevent it!



Easy Ways to Build Literacy All Summer

-  Bring books to the beach, park or on car rides.
-  Read before bed or during quiet times.
-  Listen to audio books together on long car rides.
-  Send postcards, keep an adventure journal or help make grocery lists.
-  Create a cozy "reading fort" - inside or out!



Every page counts! Small moments of reading today build a lifetime love for literacy! Keep the story going all summer. Just 15-20 minutes a day makes a difference!



Local Summer Opportunities



[Greater Victoria Public Library \(GVPL\)](#)

- Bc Summer Reading Club, [Under the Sea](#) for kids 14 and under (June 19th - September 5th)
- [Teen Summer Challenge 2026: Sea of Monsters](#) (July 2nd-August 31st)
- [Kits for Adults and Kids](#)
- [Scavenger Hunts](#)

[Vancouver Island Regional Library \(VIRL\)](#)

- [Summer Reading Club](#)
- [Literacy Kits](#)

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