



Rising Kindergarten Summer Reading List 2026

Summer is a wonderful time to build a love of reading! Reading together each day helps children develop vocabulary, listening skills, and a lifelong love of books. Enjoy these suggestions and make reading part of your summer adventures! Choose books that your children love to listen to. Make it a fun time for the family and build memories together with books!

Favorite Read-Alouds

- The Very Hungry Caterpillar
- Chicka Chicka Boom Boom
- Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?
- Pete the Cat: I Love My White Shoes
- Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!

Getting Ready for Kindergarten

- The Kissing Hand
- Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten
- Kindergarten, Here I Come!
- First Day Jitter

Alphabet, Sounds & Early Literacy

- Dr. Seuss's ABC
- Eating the Alphabet
- A Is for Musk Ox

Friendship & Feelings

- The Invisible String
- Have You Filled a Bucket Today?
- The Rabbit Listened
- The Color Monster

Parent Tips

- Read 15–20 minutes each day.
- Ask simple questions about the story.
- Let your child retell stories using pictures.
- Visit the library and let your child choose books.
- Keep reading fun—snuggle, laugh, and enjoy stories together!