



Rising to 1st Grade: Summer Activities



Reading/Writing

Books

Read the following stories (you can rent from the library, purchase, or visit YouTube and search there). We will talk about the books and the themes the first few months of school.

Rain School by James Rumford

Library Lion by Michelle Knudsen

Poppleton by Cynthia Rylant

Activity Choices (please choose **one to complete** and bring in during the first week of school)

1. Create a painting about one of the books above. Write 1-2 sentences about the painting (who/what did you paint, what's happening in the painting, etc.)
2. Choose a book you have not read before (from home, a bookstore, or the library). Create a diorama that will teach us about the book—with a parent's help you can search online for pictures of characters to print, or you can draw them yourselves. Be ready to share about the characters, setting, beginning, middle, and end (or problem and resolution) by presenting to your family first.
3. Create a summer scrapbook. Ask your parents to take 5-7 photographs of you during the summer. Under each photo, describe where you are, who else is in the picture, and what you are doing. Feel free to decorate the pages!

Math

Fluency

- Practice addition/subtraction timed drills (you can find them online to print, or you can purchase a workbook from places like Amazon)
- Practice counting backwards from 120
- Practice counting on or back from any number

Online Activities:

- YouTube: Subitize Super Fast with Jack Hartmann
- YouTube: Learning My Addition Facts Addition Facts for 2 (or 3, 4, 5, etc.)
- Mathplayground.com
- ABCya.com (desktop version)

Other Activities:

- Water Balloon Math: Click here to see a [water balloon learning activity](#) that is the perfect game for a hot summer day.
- Munchie Math: Make 3-D shapes using marshmallows and toothpicks. Count the angles and vertices

HAVE FUN!!