Summer Literacy Resources

As the end of the school year approaches, it is exciting to take stock of all that the children have worked hard to learn this year! To honor that hard work and maintain skills over the summer, it can be helpful for children to engage in some simple summer literacy routines.

Rising First Grade Students

Reading	Writing	Print Resources	Digital Resources
 Practice reading and spelling high-frequency words: Make the words into cards and play memory or Go Fish Use play dough to build the words Use flour, salt, or sand to trace the letters with your finger Use sidewalk chalk to write outside Use the <u>Reading Rockets book</u> finder to create a customized list of books to checkout at your local library Have your child select and decorate a cozy reading spot and keep some favorite books within easy reach. Read to a family member, friend, or stuffed animal and 	 Have your child select and decorate a special notebook or journal for their writing and keep some supplies (markers, crayons, etc.) within easy reach. Create a routine around summer journaling by encouraging your child to draw and write frequently about their experiences. Make a list before packing for a trip or heading to the grocery store. Write and draw a letter or a postcard to a family member, friend, or teacher. Write and draw a how-to teaching someone to do something new: how to swim, make a sandcastle, make pancakes, etc. Write and draw a true story, telling about something that really 	Scholastic Weekly Reader Summer Express workbook Books to print, read, illustrate, and find spelling patterns (focus pattern and/or sound is on the cover of each story)	Raz-KidsEpic! -huge online children's library with thousands of just right books, picture books, and chapter books.Includes read-to-me and quizzes.ElyLeaf Publishing - free online library of high-interest decodable books.Wet-Dry-Try Handwriting Without Tears appStarfall - free books and learning gamesABCya , FunBrain & PinkCatGames - free games and resources for skills practice

listen to stories read by a family member, or friend, or audiobook.	happened.	
Your child will sometimes stumble over words when learning to read. When your child makes an error, pause for a moment to give them an opportunity to correct it on their own, then gently point out the letters they may have skipped or read incorrectly, and encourage them to try again.		