Summer Learning: Literacy (6th-12th Grades)



Online Resources

10 Ways to Encourage Your High-Schooler to Read | Understood - Practical tips for parents to encourage their struggling readers in middle or high school to read more, such as how to capitalize on their interests, find engaging books at their level, model good reading habits, and more.

Freerice - An educational trivia game that supports the United Nations World Food Programme. Every question answered correctly raises 10 grains of rice! Questions that are answered incorrectly will show up again, providing the opportunity to learn new vocabulary words or other trivia of choice. Literacy themed trivia categories include literature, proverbs, grammar, spelling, and root words. Login not required to play.

How to Help Your Tween Get the Writing Bug | Understood - Ideas to keep your middle schooler writing all summer long!

Libby | Overdrive - A free app that enables you and your family to borrow ebooks and audiobooks from your local library! Encourage your tween or teen to get the app on their phone and sign up for your local library's summer reading challenge. Audiobooks are also a great way to enjoy reading together as a family during the summer months!

Quick Picks for Reluctant Readers | YALSA - A curated list of books to encourage reading among teens who dislike reading for a variety of reasons. These titles have been selected due to their clear writing style, simple vocabulary, high interest topics, emotional appeal, and straight-forward structure.

"Write. Right. Rite." Series | Library of Congress - A series of short videos with Jason Reynolds, the 2020-2022 National Ambassador for Young People's Literature. In each video, he provides a writing or activity prompt to help young people hone their skills of authentic self-expression and creative storytelling.