BOARD BOOKS

Baby Loves Summer! by Karen Katz
Beach Socks by Michael J. Daley
At the Beach by Elizabeth Spurr
Mouse’s First Summer by Lauren Thompson
Penguin on Vacation by Salina Yoon

PICTURE BOOKS

My Garden by Kevin Henkes
Picnic by Emily Arnold McCully
Hippos Can’t Swim by Laura Lyn DiSiena
The Sun: Our Nearest Star by Franklyn M. Branley
We’re Going on a Picnic! by Pat Hutchins

BEGINNING READER SERIES

Arthur’s Family Vacation by Marc Brown
How I Spent My Summer Vacation by Mark Teague
Biscuit’s First Beach Day by Alyssa Satin Capucilli
At the Beach by Huy Voun Lee
Our Stars by Anne Rockwell

CHAPTER BOOK SERIES

The Vampire’s Vacation by Ron Roy
The Best Vacation Ever by Stuart J. Murphy
The Mount Rushmore Calamity by Jeff Brown
Detective Camp by Ron Roy
The Stinky Cheese Vacation by Geronimo Stilton

BOOKS FOR FUN

Holes by Louis Sachar
The Vacation by Polly Horvath
Aliens on Vacation by Clete Barrett Smith
The Summer of the Swans by Betsy Byars
Whatever After – Sink or Swim by Sarah Mlynowski

TIPS TO ENCOURAGE YOUNG READERS

Subscribe to children’s magazines to inspire reading. Bring the magazines to the beach or park to enjoy while relaxing.

Visit a local farmer’s market or grocery store and choose some new seasonal fruits and vegetables to try. Pair your snack with some books on healthy eating and nutrition.

Read a travel guide together with your child to help plan an actual (or dream) vacation.

Join your local library. Many local libraries sponsor summer reading programs.

Get out and explore! Go for a hike, visit a museum, walk in the city, or pick your own flowers. Have your child write about all of your summer adventures in a journal.