



# BOOKTALK

Newsletter

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## Summer Challenge and Online Resource Guide

### IMAGINE SUMMER READING 2020

Explore the world of stories with the **2020 Imagine Summer Reading Challenge** at the Lafayette Public Library. With this year's theme, **Imagine**, our story focuses on fantasy, folk tales, fairy tales, mythology, and titles that foster imagination.

We are asking our community to join together this summer to achieve a combined goal of 3,000,000 minutes of reading throughout June and July. We challenge you to read 10 minutes every day to reach a personal goal of 600 minutes by July 31, 2020. Read books and participate in activities to earn virtual badges. Once you've read 600 minutes, stop by the library to claim your prize and be entered for a grand prize drawing. The more badges you earn, the more chances you have to win! Keep reading and recording to help us reach our community goal by the end of summer! You can register online at [lafayettepubliclibrary.beanstack.org](http://lafayettepubliclibrary.beanstack.org) or call your favorite library location to sign up.

Summer reading programs are designed to encourage students to keep reading during the summer months. Light reading over the summer is a fun and easy way for students to prevent a decline in reading achievement. With our 2020 Imagine Summer Reading Challenge, children can discover learning activities, teens can strengthen reading skills, and adults can explore great books.

Plus, there are so many benefits to being a part of our Summer Reading Challenge. It's easy to participate, and the adventures are endless. A good book can take you anywhere! Reading can also improve your health and happiness at any age. We hope that you'll be clamoring for fiction and nonfiction titles to explore the mythical worlds, fairy tales, legends, folk tales, and even your families' own history. And, last but not least, reading is lots of fun!

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# Director's Message



Dear Patrons,

A library without programs??? These are strange times indeed! We did have lots of fun activities planned for June and July, but the library, like everyone else, had to do a 180 and rethink the summer. We are working with our scheduled performers and partners in the hope that we can provide some great virtual programs for all ages throughout the summer. Every public library in the state is looking for new ways of doing things, and we are all sharing ideas. In the meantime, we thought we would take this opportunity to highlight all the online resources that we provide for patrons of all ages. Many of you are familiar with OverDrive and the Libby app for reading eBooks, but we have much more to offer! All of these resources are free and can be used wherever you are as long as you have internet access and a library card.

Our budget for subscribing to these online services and paying for the content is about \$450,000 a year, with about half of that going to eBooks, eAudio, and eMagazines. Our costs are reduced for many of the expensive resources by federal funds matched by the State Library of Louisiana and by sharing costs with our local consortium, Bayouland. Working together, we have greater bargaining power and can offer all patrons a greater variety of resources than if we worked alone.

So read an eBook, look up your family history, or learn a new skill this summer. It's all free, and now you know where to find it.

And don't forget to join the Summer Reading Challenge.

The fun isn't just for kids. Teens and adults can join the program too. Who knew that our summer reading program theme would be so spot on since many of us will have to IMAGINE our vacations this year?

Teresa Elbertson, Director  
Lafayette Public Library

## Getting a Library Card

A library card is free if you live, work, or attend school in Lafayette Parish. If you do not have a library card, then you can visit [lafayettepubliclibrary.org/getacard](http://lafayettepubliclibrary.org/getacard) to apply for one online if you are 18 years or older. You will need to review our library card policy to see if you qualify. After the information is verified, a library card will be mailed to you along with a confirmation email.

Have a reference question? You can email [reference@lafayettepubliclibrary.org](mailto:reference@lafayettepubliclibrary.org) to Ask-A-Librarian any question or call one of our regional libraries for assistance. (All library locations' contact information can be found on the back cover.)

## LPL Mobile App

You can use your mobile device to connect to library services, no matter where you are! The LPL Mobile app was recently updated to include a customizable new look, more features, and is available for free in the Apple App Store and Google Play Store.

Use the app to put books on hold, check due dates, extend your checkout date, and much more. The app will let you know when your holds are available, and you can even select your pickup location.

Download and read eBooks and listen to eAudiobooks directly through the app in a variety of formats. And, through the LPL Mobile app, you can register for our reading programs such as the Summer Reading Challenge and 100 Book Club.

If you are looking for an item that's not already in the Lafayette Public Library's collection, then use the Item Request tab. We will try to locate that item for you through an InterLibrary Loan. Or we may try to purchase your requested item to make it available for you as well as to broaden the library's collection.

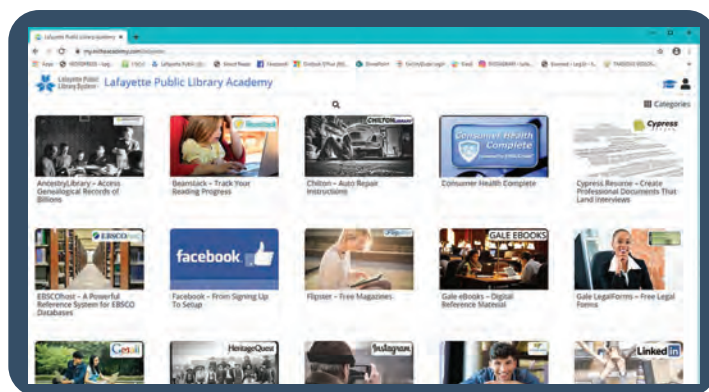
The app includes short links to some of our more popular online resources. You'll find the latest magazines by using RBDigital and Flipster. Or even learn a language with Pronunciator. It's all in one convenient location with your LPL Mobile app!

## Library Drive-Thru Services

Drive-thru window service is accessible at the Main Library and Regional Libraries. You can pick up your requested materials if you have been notified that it is available for pick up. Drive-thru service is available every day during regular library service hours up to 30 minutes prior to closing.

As always, library materials can be returned in any book drop or at any library location -- we'll handle making sure they find their way to their proper branch.

The Lafayette Public Library has automatic renewals. Most library materials can be renewed up to six times, as long as no one else has requested that item and your account is clear of charges. For details about how our Renew Dat service works, visit [LafayettePublicLibrary.org/FAQ](http://LafayettePublicLibrary.org/FAQ).



## Niche Academy

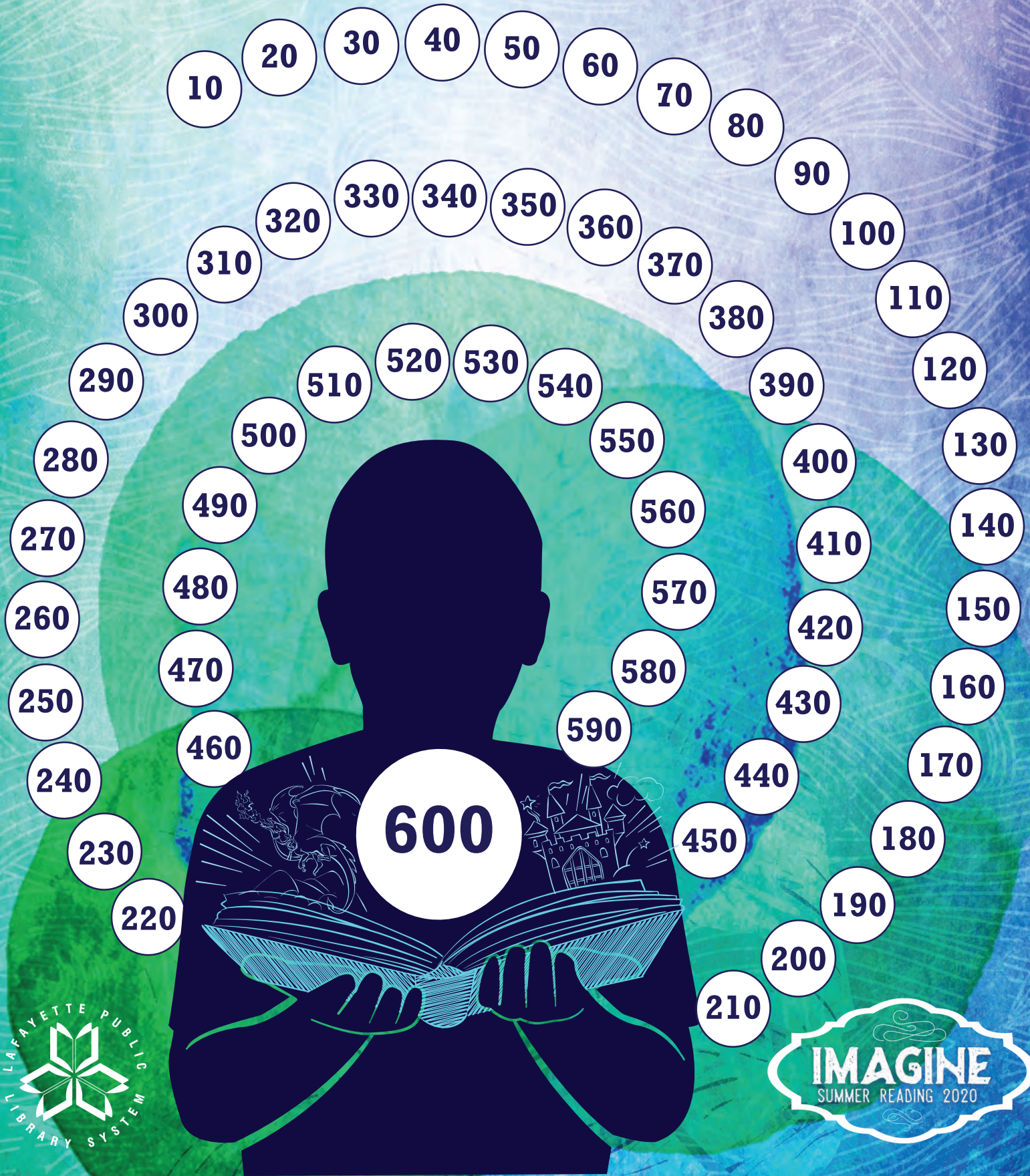
While this Summer Resource Guide serves as a small introduction to all of our online offerings, Niche Academy is a deeper dive into all of these resources. Would you like to learn more about a service or resource you've seen in this guide? Click on Niche Academy for quick and easy tutorials with straightforward steps to help you get started. There are additional tutorials, as well, including Facebook, Gmail, Instagram, LinkedIn, Pinterest, SelectReads, SnapChat, Twitter, and even one for Niche Academy itself!



# SUMMER READING CHALLENGE LOG

June 1 – July 31

Child • Teen • Adult





Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Library Card: \_\_\_\_\_

# YOU HAVE BEEN CHALLENGED!

Help reach our summer community goal of **3 million minutes** read!

## REGISTER

Call the library or visit [lafayettepubliclibrary.beanstack.org](http://lafayettepubliclibrary.beanstack.org).

## READ & RECORD

Read at least 10 minutes a day for a total of 600 minutes between June 1 and July 31. Log your minutes by coloring in the circles or track your reading online to earn badges. Earn extra badges when you complete activities and continue reading! Audiobooks and reading to a non-reader count too.

## REDEEM:

Once you've read 600 minutes, stop by the library to claim your prize and be entered for a grand prize drawing. The more badges you earn, the more chances you have to win! Keep reading and recording to help us reach our community goal by the end of summer!

\*Prize distribution will begin July 1.

# ACTIVITIES

## Go Virtual

- ☐ Check out an eBook or eAudiobook
- ☐ Check out a film version of a book you read
- ☐ Attend a virtual library program

## Get Connected

- ☐ Take a virtual tour of a museum or castle
- ☐ Call your friends and family to catch up
- ☐ Do a random act of kindness

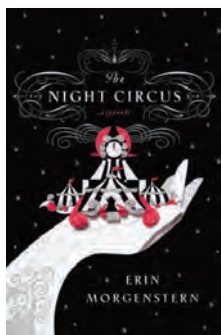
## Get Creative

- ☐ Recreate the cover of a favorite book using you, your family/pets, and household items
- ☐ Draw, write, cook, dance, or sing something
- ☐ Create a sidewalk story by writing on your sidewalk or driveway

## Go Outside

- ☐ Walk or ride your bike in the neighborhood
- ☐ Have a picnic in your yard or at the park
- ☐ Go on a scavenger hunt

Visit [lafayettepubliclibrary.beanstack.org](http://lafayettepubliclibrary.beanstack.org) for more challenges & to log minutes online!



### The Night Circus by Erin Morgenstern

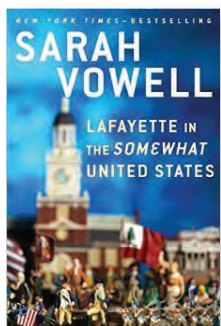
The circus arrives without warning. No announcements precede it. It is simply there, when yesterday it was not. Within the black-and-white striped canvas tents is an utterly unique experience full of breathtaking amazements. It is called Le Cirque des Rêves, and it is only open at night.

But behind the scenes, a fierce competition is underway—a duel between two young magicians, Celia and Marco, who have been trained since childhood expressly for this purpose by their mercurial instructors. Unbeknownst to them, this

is a game in which only one can be left standing, and the circus is but the stage for a remarkable battle of imagination and will. Despite themselves, however, Celia and Marco tumble headfirst into love—a deep, magical love that makes the lights flicker and the room grow warm whenever they so much as brush hands.

True love or not, the game must play out, and the fates of everyone involved, from the cast of extraordinary circus performers to the patrons, hang in the balance, suspended as precariously as the daring acrobats overhead.

Written in rich, seductive prose, this spell-casting novel is a feast for the senses and the heart.



### Lafayette in the Somewhat United States by Sarah Vowell

On August 16, 1824, an elderly French gentlemen sailed into New York Harbor and giddy Americans were there to welcome him. Or, rather, to welcome him back. It had been thirty years since the Revolutionary War hero the Marquis de Lafayette had last set foot in the United States, and he was so beloved that 80,000 people showed up to cheer for him. The entire population of New York at the time was 120,000.

Lafayette's arrival in 1824 coincided with one of the most contentious presidential elections in American history,

Congress had just fought its first epic battle over slavery, and the threat of a Civil War loomed. But Lafayette, belonging to neither North nor South, to no political party or faction, was a walking, talking reminder of the sacrifices and bravery of the revolutionary generation and what they wanted this country to be. His return was not just a reunion with his beloved Americans, it was a reunion for Americans with their own astonishing singular past.

*Lafayette in the Somewhat United States* is a humorous and insightful portrait of the famed Frenchman, the impact he had on our young country, and his ongoing relationship with some of the instrumental Americans of the time, including George Washington, Alexander Hamilton, Thomas Jefferson, and many more.



### RomanceBookCloud



Read to your heart's content! If you're missing our Romance Book Club, you'll love this service. RomanceBookCloud provides unlimited and unrestricted access to a curated collection of 1,800 romance ebooks. Whether it be contemporary, historical, time travel, paranormal or inspirational, you will love to read about love at RomanceBookCloud. This database features award winners and bestsellers, plus new books added all the time, so you will never run out of romances to read.

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## Entertainment - eBooks & Book Clubs



### Libby, by OverDrive

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### Book Clubs: Going Digital

In order to better social distance and to accommodate all of our patrons, several of our book clubs have gone digital! Take part in online discussions, discover a new series or author, and more. We've got book clubs for everyone.

#### Classics Book Club

Join us over Zoom each month for a lively discussion of a classic! Follow us on facebook to join the conversation.

- June** *Breakfast at Tiffany's* by Truman Capote
- July** *Excellent Women* by Barbara Pym
- August** *The Naked and the Dead* by Norman Mailer

#### Wheel of Time Book Club

"The Wheel of Time turns, and Ages come and pass..." Join us as we continue our deep dive into Rober Jordan's epic, *The Wheel of Time*. Find us on Goodreads!

- June** *The Great Hunt & The Dragon Reborn*
- July** *The Shadow Rising & The Fires of Heaven*
- August** *Lord of Chaos*

#### YA Virtual Book Club

Do you love young adult books? Join our group LPL YA Virtual Book Club on Goodreads to discuss a new book each month! Find us on Goodreads!

- June** *Children of Blood and Bone* by Tomi Adeyemi
- July** *The Cruel Prince* by Holly Black
- August** *An Enchantment of Ravens* by Margaret Rogerson

**Looking for Audiobooks?  
Check out the next page!**



# Entertainment

## Digital Magazines

Be sure to check out our digital magazine collections with these amazing services. Skip the newsstand and get the latest issues of all of your favorites from your library!

### Flipster



View full digital copies of your favorite magazines including: *Cosmopolitan (US)*, *Discover*, *Food Network Magazine*, *Elle*, *Highlights*, *Motor Trend*, *Good Housekeeping*, *Essence*, *People*, *Men's Health*, *The New Yorker*, *Rolling Stone*, *Field & Stream*, *Entertainment Weekly*, *Vogue*, *HGTV Magazine*, *Martha Stewart Living*, *O (The Oprah Magazine)*, *National Geographic*, and many more! Regional magazines like *Acadiana Profile*, *Louisiana Life*, and *New Orleans Magazine* can be found as well. Flipster allows you to see your favorite magazine exactly how it is in print.

### RB Digital



If you didn't find the magazine you wanted on Flipster, hop over to RB Digital. In addition to their own unique **audiobook collection**, you can also digitally flip through magazine titles including: *American Patchwork & Quilting*, *AppleMagazine*, *Astronomy*, *Bon Appetit*, *Car and Driver*, *Destination Weddings & Honeymoons*, *ESPN the Magazine*, *Esquire*, *Marie Claire*, *Reader's Digest*, *Soap Opera Digest*, and more!



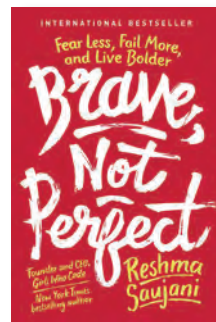
## Audiobooks: Listen with Libby

If you're an eBook reader, you may already be familiar with Libby, the newest app from Overdrive. This robust app doesn't just house thousands of eBooks -- it also has tons of eAudiobooks to download and enjoy! If you aren't sure where to start with eAudiobooks, be sure to browse Libby's recommendations or use their powerful search options to pick a genre you love, sort by "available now," and dive in!

While Libby will automatically remind you to renew or return your books, we ask that you kindly return your checkouts when you're done.

### Brave, Not Perfect by Reshma Saujani

In a book inspired by her popular TED talk, New York Times bestselling author Reshma Saujani empowers women and girls to embrace imperfection and bravery. Ultimately, she presents practices to help us let go of our need for perfection and make bravery a lifelong habit. By being brave, not perfect, we can all become the authors of our best and most joyful life. This audio is read by the author.



### Daisy Jones & The Six by Taylor Jenkins Reid

If you were a fan of the hit VH1 show *Behind the Music*, or if you just love juicy drama that comes with musical groups from the '60s and '70s, then look no further than *Daisy Jones and the Six* by Taylor Jenkins Reid. This New York Times best seller is a gripping novel about the whirlwind rise of an iconic 1970s rock group and their beautiful lead singer, revealing the mystery behind their infamous breakup. Listen as a star-studded voice acting lineup including Jennifer Beals, Benjamin Bratt, and Judy Greer brings these complex, haunted characters to life in the audiobook. You will find yourself wishing that this fictional band was real for hopes of more stories, more songs, and maybe a reunion tour.



### The Library Book by Susan Orlean

This is a must-read for library lovers and fans of true crime alike. Orlean re-opens the unsolved mystery behind the most catastrophic library fire in American history and delivers a dazzling homage to a beloved institution -- our libraries. She interweaves a fascinating narrative about the suspects and the event itself with a history of American libraries as an institution of learning and of communal spaces. The audiobook is read by the author herself, and is engaging and personal, as Orlean also delves into her own history with and relationship to public libraries.



### Me by Elton John

Narrated by Taron Egerton, the actor that played Elton John in the award-winning *Rocket Man*, Elton gives us the lowdown on all aspects of his life in his official autobiography. Elton John, a mega star of the '70s is a household name to many of us with his sound track to *Lion King*, his flamboyant lifestyle, and the great music he continues to make. His farewell tour is on hold with the pandemic so listen to his story in the meantime.



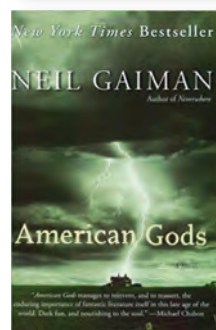
### Alice Isn't Dead by Joseph Fink

"This isn't a story. It's a road trip." Based on the popular podcast from the creator of *Welcome to Night Vale*, *Alice Isn't Dead* follows the journey of a truck driver searching across America for the wife she had long assumed was dead. In the course of her search, she will encounter not-quite-human serial murderers, towns literally lost in time, and a conspiracy that goes way beyond one missing woman. The audio version features the same remarkable performances from the podcast, but in a more clear and focused narrative. If you're looking for a thriller this summer about isolation, be sure to pick this one up on Libby.



### American Gods by Neil Gaiman

Released from prison, Shadow finds his world turned upside down. His wife has been killed; a mysterious stranger offers him a job. But Mr. Wednesday, who knows more about Shadow than is possible, warns that a storm is coming -- a battle for the very soul of America . . . and they are in its direct path. This full-cast audio includes too many fantastic voices to name (including the author himself) and the exceptionally well-produced audio helps bring clarity to a story that can be fugue-like for some readers. It's the perfect **Imagine** story.



## Business Source Complete



Powered by **EBSCOhost**, this database allows the user to search business videos, company information, company profiles, industry profiles, market research reports, and more. Simply type in the name of a company in the basic search engine to discover full-text content about various businesses and business topics, or use the advanced search to find more specific results.

## Cypress Resume



If you need to update your resume or create one from scratch, you're in luck. Cypress Resume is an online resume builder that lets you create professional-quality resumes in 3 easy steps. Specifically designed for job seekers skittish about writing, Cypress Resume allows anyone to create a great resume that will stand out to potential employers in a manner of minutes. In step one, add your contact information, work history, and education. In step two, select the title of your desired job or select the skill set you wish to highlight. In step three, choose from a collection of concise and professional job statements.

Once your resume is complete, you can even drop your resume off for review online at the **Homework Louisiana** (see page 14) site. In addition to receiving resume tips, you can also connect with a career coach or search online job resources. Homework Louisiana provides links to career information, federal and government jobs, civilian jobs for veterans, and occupational assessment sites.

If you're preparing for an interview, Homework Louisiana provides over 40 links to sites on successful interviewing, phone interviews, dressing for success, interview blunders, and questions you should ask employers. Additional job search websites are also highlighted. Learn how to work with a professional recruiter, how to build your personal brand, and how to expand your job search efforts.

## LearningExpress Library

This site provides a treasure trove of information for anyone who's looking for a job. Be sure to check out the Job and Career Accelerator, where you can take practice exams for civil service jobs as well as for careers in health-related fields, real estate, law enforcement, education, and the military. If you're thinking about making a career change, you can take an online skills quiz to determine what occupations are a great match for you based on your interests.

Other tools can help you find in-demand, military-to-civilian, or green economy occupations. There's also a job search engine that gives you access to over 5 million job postings from job boards, government and corporate sites, online classifieds, and more. If you're a new graduate, you can take an online tutorial guiding you through your search to find an internship or your first job. Once you have identified jobs that interest you, LearningExpress Library provides job interview tutorials, resume and cover letter help, and sample interview thank you and follow-up letters.

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- Find a Career Match
- Explore Occupations
- Search for Jobs and Internships
- Tools to Get Hired
- Career Library
- School and Scholarship Finder

## Business & Careers



### So what is this section about?

**The Lafayette Public Library has resources for job-seekers, businesses, and independent entrepreneurs.** Find information on businesses, touch up your resume, and more with your library. Don't forget: library study rooms are also perfect shared workspaces for your team to plan or if you need a quiet space to touch up your resume. The resources here will help you find the perfect place to start.

If you're just beginning your career and are unsure where to start, LearningExpress Library can help you find the right fit and even point you towards training programs and scholarships. The Louisiana Jobs and Career Center ([laworks.net](http://laworks.net)) is a comprehensive one-stop for both workers and employers.

Patrons who are looking for ways to improve their existing skills or learn new ones can also find resources in this guide under **Adult Learning**, on page 9. We highly recommend Lynda Learning Library (also known as LinkedIn Learning), which has an enormous collection of courses in everything from soft skills to the latest versions of industry-specific software. Generally Lynda subscriptions cost \$29.99/mo (or \$19.99/mo for annual subscribers), but we're proud to offer this service to our patrons at no direct cost. Best of all, you can quickly update your resume and LinkedIn profile with the new skills you've learned. Try it today!

## Louisiana Jobs and Career Center



Is it time for a new job or career? Have you been laid off or between jobs, and you are unsure of your next step? Do you need some pointers on how to create a resume? The State Library of Louisiana is here to help with their job hunting site! This site provides between-job resources, job search resources, and a "Find a Job" feature that includes resources for veterans. Maybe you are currently employed but are looking for something more—search for volunteer opportunities as well as licensing and certification information as well.

## Value Line



"Buy! Sell!" The stock market has its ups and downs, and Value Line is here to help you navigate the ever-changing world of shares. The site's dashboard provides you with *Market Daily Updates*, and the "Browse Research" feature allows the more seasoned investor to view value line featured lists. "Markets" provides daily looks into the stock market today, industry reports, and more. The site also provides stock selection service, innovative online research tools, and an entire page dedicated to investment education. *This service is typically for in-library use only, but will be available for remote access to all library subscribers until the COVID-19 crisis passes.*



# Adult Learning



## SPOTLIGHT ON: Genealogy

Genealogy is hands-down one of our most popular online learning interests, so we've made sure to provide a broad selection of resources for our patrons.

## Genealogy & Research

The Lafayette Public Library offers excellent resources for anyone interested in local history and genealogy. You'll find books on basic research techniques for the novice, as well as advanced methods for the more experienced researcher. Although the Main Library houses most of the print genealogy materials (books, periodicals, and microfilm), a smaller collection of resources is available at the North Regional Library.

### Collections

Our collection is focused on Louisiana, the American South, Francophone genealogy, and individual family histories of local interest. Numerous books pertain to church and cemetery records, heraldry, ethnicity, and surnames. There is also information on military records, the Mayflower descendants, immigration, and censuses. The library subscribes to several genealogical periodicals, and city directories for Lafayette are available for most years from 1946 to the present.

### Getting Started

Where to start? Experts agree that if you are researching your own family tree that you should start with yourself, then work backwards from there. Genealogy is the study of vital events in a family. What we mean by vital events are documentations of births, marriages, and deaths. This may also include divorces and adoptions. Establishing links with this information makes up a family's pedigree, or family tree.

### InterLibrary Loan (ILL)

If you wish to borrow materials that LPL does not own, you may be interested in using our Interlibrary Loan (ILL) services. ILL involves borrowing materials from in-state and out-of-state libraries. Therefore, requests for materials through ILL can take as little as one week, or up to one month, depending on availability.

## Ancestry Library Edition



Similar to the subscription-based version of Ancestry.com, Ancestry.com Library Edition is an online source of genealogical and historical information with over 1.2 billion records in over 3,000 databases, and it's all free to you with your library card! If you've ever wondered about your family history, now is the time to dive in! For a limited time, Ancestry.com Library Edition is available to patrons outside the library. Once this special at-home access has ended, you will still be able to access this database from any computer within our library system, and you can even send documents home! Log in today and start learning about who you are.

## Heritage Quest Online

HeritageQuest

Sometimes genealogy searches can be confusing and overwhelming, but Heritage Quest Online is here to help. Powered by Ancestry.com, this genealogical database allows the user to search census information, local history books, wills, city directories, military records as far back as the Revolutionary War, cemeteries, and Freedman's Bank. You can also find helpful guides under the "Research Aids" tab that will get you started with your search and help lead you beyond searching the census. As you find the records you need, there is a handy "send document" button that allows you to send the records to your personal email address.

## MyHeritage



A simple, easy-to-use genealogical database with access to over 12 billion historical records from all over the world, 2.4 billion family tree profiles from MyHeritage and Geni, hundreds of millions of Nordic records, more than 600 million historical photos, exclusive databases such as the Jewish Chronicle historical newspaper, and so much more. With more than 100 million additional records added on every month, MyHeritage is a great resource for your ancestry search!



## Sanborn Maps

Cities and towns are ever-changing, and Sanborn Maps gives you the opportunity to see a city's maps between 1867 and 1970! Sanborn maps chart the growth and development of Louisiana towns and cities and were created to assist fire insurance companies as they assessed fire risks in an area. If you've ever wondered what your neighborhood or even your whole city looked like before 1970, Sanborn has a Louisiana map for you!



## Lafayette Genealogical Society

The Lafayette Genealogical Society's mission is to encourage an interest in all family history, as well as collect, preserve and make available Attakapas area history. This includes the parishes of Lafayette, St. Martin, St. Mary, Acadia, Vermilion, Evangeline and Iberia. As an organization of genealogists, they work together in preserving family history and local history.

Although the group meets in Lafayette and have a particular interest in Louisiana history, many members have family lineages that require research outside of Louisiana. The Lafayette Genealogical Society currently has 115 members that reside in Louisiana, Canada, France, and elsewhere. If you would like to learn more about this non-profit organization, visit their website at [lafayettegenealogicalsociety.org](http://lafayettegenealogicalsociety.org).



Many people may remember having a beautiful set of reference books adorned with "Britannica" in golden letters down the spines. Now, the same information from those books is just a click away! Not only can you research all topics from bacteria to world history, but you can create a digital bookshelf, save your bookmarks, and keep notes, too. Hundreds of full color and black and white nonfiction e-books bring an entire world of knowledge right into your own home!



## Pronunciator

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Hello! Hola! Ciao! Konnichiwa!

Have you ever wanted to learn another language? Do you have a business trip to another country coming up soon, and you need to learn the basics? Is English your second language, and you would like to be more fluent? Begin your language journey with Pronunciator!

Pronunciator provides access to 163 languages and counting – each featuring 10,000 instructional phrases, hundreds of live 30-minute classes per week led by qualified teachers, the largest English as a Second Language (ESL) curriculum on the planet, and much more. Pronunciator also offers lessons for people whose native language is not English. It even has lessons for younger patrons, with specialized courses designed for specific age ranges from birth through High School.

Simply select the topics you love, the skills you want to build, and how much you want to study each day, and Pronunciator will build a robust and effective personalized course just for you – in a matter of seconds. You can also create a personalized study guide (PDF format) and dozens of personalized audio lessons, for every course you build.

With 163 languages to choose from (and 137 home languages to learn them in), as well as the most comprehensive collection of instructional phrases, audio recordings, and videos in the world, you'll never run out of possibilities.

And, if you're learning a language for your job, we've got you covered. Whether you're a nurse, a firefighter, a cashier, a carpenter – or any of 60 occupations – you can build a personalized course designed specifically for your job.

Want to learn American Sign Language? Or how about Mexican Sign Language? Pronunciator has the largest program in the world, with 20,000 instructional videos.

How about American English as a Second Language (ESL)? Pronunciator has the largest course in the world, with 50,000 instructional phrases and 10,000 videos. They even have ESL for Australian, British, Canadian, Indian, Irish, New Zealand and Scottish English. Create a personalized ESL course taught in the language of your choice (choose from any of 137), focusing on the skill or skills most important to you: speaking, understanding, reading, and/or writing.

Each course features a wide variety of activities to keep you engaged; video clips and human voices to keep it real; and progress tracking to keep you motivated. Plus, you can resume where you left off with a single click or tap from any mobile device or desktop computer.



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## Lynda: LinkedIn Learning

What if you could learn photography, Photoshop, animation, web development, marketing, graphic design, and video production all in the same place? How about mastering Microsoft Office and Adobe suites? What if all the courses were taught by industry professionals and FREE to you? If that sounds too good to be true, it's not! It's all at Lynda.com (also known as LinkedIn Learning)!

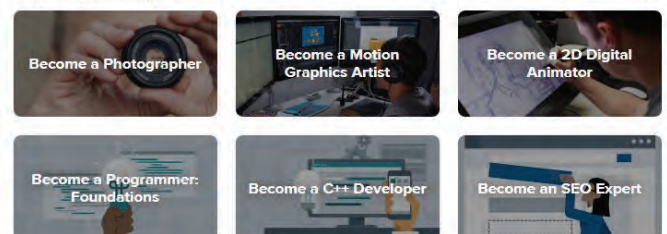
Lynda.com offers an unparalleled learning experience through thousands of online video tutorials in business, education, and tech skills taught by expert instructors. With just your library card, you have unlimited access to every video in the extensive subscription library, and you have the ability to learn anywhere by switching between your computer, tablet, or mobile device.

With the option to create playlists, you have complete control of what, how, and when you learn. Watch every video in a series or skip over the things you already know; watch a video now or save it for your lunchbreak; start a video on your computer, then continue it on your tablet at home. The choice is yours.

Unlimited access means that you have the ability to master it all or just focus on one specific skill. With a library that includes 3D + animation, audio + music, business, CAD, design, development (programming, game design, etc.), education + eLearning, IT, marketing, photography, video, and web, Lynda.com is sure to have a video series to suit every learning endeavor. You can also choose from popular learning paths such as "Become a Photographer," "Become an IT Security Specialist," "Become a Project Manager," and more. Once you complete a lesson, Lynda.com provides you with a certificate of completion on your LinkedIn profile. So grab your library card, log in, and learn it all!

### Popular Learning Paths

See All



### New Popular Popular at Your Organization



**Illustrator CC 2017 One-on-One Fundamentals** with Deke McClelland  
Learn how to create amazing art and designs with Adobe Illustrator CC. In this course, the first of a series of three, explore working with  
17h 30m Beginner Views: 1,162,883

Cert Prep: Project Management Professional



# References & Resources



## So what is this section about?

**One of the major tasks of a public library in 2020 is to help improve information literacy.** Information literacy is a set of abilities requiring individuals to “recognize when information is needed and have the ability to locate, evaluate, and use effectively the needed information.”

Information literacy forms the basis for lifelong learning. It is common to all disciplines, to all learning environments, and to all levels of education. It enables learners to master content and extend their investigations, become more self-directed, and assume greater control over their own learning. An information literate individual is able to discern fact from fiction and keep up in the information age.

We do this by providing useful databases for our patrons that can put useful information at your fingertips, as well as tools like Credo that have quick tips to avoid bias in searches, find relevant sources, and research your questions to a conclusion. Many of our databases are powered by EBSCOhost, which allows you to quickly cross-reference sources from research papers, published essays, and new articles without having to worry about running into paywalls or having to create additional login information. Just sign in with your library card or click the web portal on our site, and you're good to go!

## CINAHL

### Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature

The authoritative resource for nursing and allied health professionals, students, educators, and researchers. This database provides indexing for more than 3,000 journals from the fields of nursing and allied health. The database contains more than 2.3 million records dating back to 1981.

## Consumer Health Complete



A comprehensive health and wellness database powered by EBSCOhost. Search through evidence-based reports, encyclopedias, fact sheets, images, diagrams, videos, and even articles from popular magazines such as American Fitness and Popular Science for medical and health resources. A “quick find” section allows you to search alphabetically for a disease, condition, injury, or procedure; or use the “search by topic” section to find information on alternative treatments, children's health, medications, mental health, pregnancy, substance abuse, and much more.

## CREDO Reference



Unsure where to begin your research for a paper or project? Look no further! Credo Reference is an extensive online research collection containing almost 900 online dictionaries, encyclopedias, thesauri, and other reference tools. Credo Reference provides tips on how to select and narrow down your research topic, how to avoid bias in your searches, and how to find relevant sources. Students looking up current events and controversial topics will benefit from the powerful search engine which provides frequently-updated, credible background information on issues unfolding in the headlines. With more than 700 searchable, full-text titles from over 100 publishers, Credo Reference covers every major subject. Popular subjects covered include art, biography, history, literature, music, religion, and science and technology. There are also helpful “quick tips” videos that will teach the user to develop lifelong skills to find, evaluate, and use information effectively when researching.

## EBSCOhost



A database of databases—Use EBSCOhost to find the right site for your search. The home page offers a list of all available databases including eBook Collection, Audiobook Collection, Academic Search Complete, Health Source (consumer edition and nursing/academic edition), Regional Business News, Science Reference Center, BIR Entertainment (information on music and DVD/video titles), and more. Simply click the link and start searching. Available in English, Spanish, and French.

## Exceptional Lives



This site is a game changer for parents or caregivers of children with special needs! Exceptional Lives provides easy-to-read guides, a resource directory, and expert help through the helpline (call or text), email, or online chat. Videos and blogs will help guide you through questions you may have or situations you may encounter in caring for a child with special needs. There is also a page dedicated to Louisiana topics and guides including health insurance, Medicaid Waivers, and help with applying for SSI benefits.



**ExceptionalLives**  
Disability Information for Families

Find disability information  
for your child. For free.





## Explora (EBSCO)

Reliable content from the world's leading magazines and reference books found within the EBSCO databases. Explora allows the user to browse categories organized by popular topics or search for a specific topic. There are also specialized research centers for students and teachers. Explora provides relevant results for research including primary source documents, news articles, and Associated Press videos.



## GALE - Cengage Learning



A database that houses Scribner Writer Series, Twayne's Author Series, Chilton Library, and LegalForms all in one place. Additionally, Gale Virtual Reference Library is home to a database of encyclopedias and specialized reference source materials that can normally only be found in the library. Gale Literature is also available and brings together all of Gale's literary databases into one cross-searchable research and study environment. Here, you can find full text of literary works, journal articles, reviews, and more.

### Scribner Writer & Twayne's Author Series

Browse collections of literature or view a list of literature titles. Scribner Writer Series provides an easy search for topics within the publication as well as a list of illustrations and the option to cite for research.

### Chilton Library

Detailed information on vehicle maintenance and repairs. Choose the year, make, and model of your vehicle, and Chilton Library will provide you with step-by-step service and repair procedures, a labor estimating tool, diagrams to simplify troubleshooting, close-up photographs and illustrations for visual support, a list of recalls and bulletins, and more for your specific vehicle.

### Legal Forms Library

Unless you're a lawyer, legal forms and jargon can be a confusing hassle. Legal Forms Library is here to help! This site offers an easy-to-use, step-by-step approach to addressing complex legal matters, so no special skills or extensive knowledge of the law is required. Legal Forms Library makes it simple to browse categories by alphabet, by main categories, or by popular topics including divorce, wills, real estate, bankruptcy, landlord tenant, name change, incorporation, paternity, and more.



## Global Road Warrior

Large-scale database that provides information about culture, history, language, travel information, and education systems of 175 countries. Select a country for a complete overview including current time and weather conditions in the capital. Learn basic facts and demographic information as well as helpful looks into business culture, what immunizations are needed to travel, what foods are common, what music is popular, and so much more!

If the site is being used for a school project or paper, proper citation formatting is provided.

## State Library of Louisiana

**Historic Photograph Collection** - The State Library of Louisiana has two collections in the Louisiana Digital Library. This is a fantastic resource for anyone looking into the history of the region for fun or for research purposes.

**Louisiana Historical Photographs of the State Library** - collection features black and white and some color photographs from the early 1900s to present. There are large collections of Department of Transportation, Tourism, Conservation, and Environmental Quality images.

**Louisiana Works Progress Administration** - collection covers the state and includes photographs, traditional songs, beliefs, customs, sayings, stories, recipes, legends, jokes, and accounts of local history.

## References & Resources

### Stay Current with these news resources

Online readers trying to keep up with the news are familiar with these dreaded words: "We're sorry, but you've reached the maximum of 5 free articles per month. This content is available to subscribers only." Did you know that your library card provides you with a subscription to news both local and national? Check out these resources to keep up from your desktop or mobile device.



### Newsbank

Provides access to over 9,000 news sources. The left side of the homepage offers a list of special reports with the most currently-trending topics listed at the top as well as links to daily headlines and events. The center of the homepage offers clickable links to find a topic, access world news, or access America's news. Newsbank even provides access to local news sources which are found under "Louisiana News Sources" or separated into *The Times-Picayune Collection*, the *Acadiana Advocate* collection, and the *Baton Rouge Advocate* collection. These collections offer full text of papers as well as access to now-defunct publications and blogs. Digital text versions of the newspaper are available on the same day as publication, and articles, puzzles, and comics can be printed simply by clicking the printer icon at the top of the page. Please note that the *New Orleans Advocate* and the *Acadiana Advocate* are available as image editions as well.

### The New York Times

In order to access the site from outside the library, simply visit [nytimes.com](http://nytimes.com)/register to set up a free, basic account. Then visit [lafayettepubliclibrary.org](http://lafayettepubliclibrary.org), click the Free Stuff for Our Patrons tab or search the library's catalog for New York Times Online, and follow the link for a 72-hour pass (patrons can use an unlimited number of passes throughout the year). Once on the site, patrons have access to news and content from all of the various sections of the paper, and content is constantly updated. Patrons can search for articles from as far back as the 1800s! Please note: Some older crossword puzzles can be played on the site, but some other puzzles are a separate subscription for individuals and are not included in the library subscription.

### US Newsstream (ProQuest)

Provides searchable, text-based access to over 1,000 US newspapers including Lafayette's own *Daily Advertiser* (articles date back to 2002). A list of publications can be found on the site in the top menu; there, the user can search for a specific publication or see a list by subject, language, or publisher. An advanced search page is also available where the user can limit by one or more aspects such as publication, type of article, subject field (author, title, by line), and more. A link for educational materials for using the site better is provided on the site as well.



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# A LIBRARY CARD!

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All Lafayette Parish School System students can check out books, movies, music, magazines, and games at any library in Lafayette Parish. Best of all, there are no fines. Items will renew automatically if not returned by the due date. For more information, visit [LafayettePublicLibrary.org](http://LafayettePublicLibrary.org) or call the Main Library at **261-5787**.

## SERVICES AND FEATURES



Access to skill-building resources as well as ACT and SAT practice tests in the LearningExpress Library.



Download eBooks, eAudiobooks, or magazines with OverDrive, RBDigital, and Flipster.



Find homework help through Homework Louisiana. Live tutors and access to study resources 24/7.



Use Pronunciator to create a language course to match your personal interests. You can learn up to 163 languages!



TumbleBook Library, TumbleBookCloud Junior, and TeenBookCloud databases are book collections for all reading levels from grades K-12.



You can find more resources and services by visiting our website: [LafayettePublicLibrary.org/freestuff](http://LafayettePublicLibrary.org/freestuff).

To use a Student ID online as a library card, apply the following ID formula:

**239555 + 00\* + Student ID number.**

(\*add zeros here in the middle to make a 14-digit sequence) For example, if the student's ID number is 857449, then the library card number would be: 23955500857449.

To sign in online, you'll use the following PIN: 1234.



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## Grab & Go Crafts

This summer, as part of the Summer Reading Challenge 2020, Lafayette Public Library will offer weekly "Grab & Go" craft kits available for pick up each week beginning Sunday, May 31 and lasting through Friday, July 31.

These craft kits will include most supplies necessary to create a fun children's craft and will be available at most locations while supplies last. "Grab & Go" craft kits will be accompanied by a YouTube instructional video by your favorite Lafayette Public Librarians. Our "Grab & Go" craft kits will be a fun **Imagine**-themed craft challenge to our younger patrons.

We look forward to providing entertaining and engaging ways for Lafayette youth to get creative! Also, don't forget to share your craft challenges with us on social media using the hashtag #SRC2020.



## Summer Performers - Tune in Tuesdays

Lafayette Public Library typically begins the Summer Reading Challenge with our annual Kickoff. We usually have live performers, arts & crafts, and information on our summer performer lineup. Unfortunately, we, like everyone else, had to adjust. This summer, as an adaptation of our Summer Reading Challenge 2020 and summer performers, the library will go virtual; this includes our summer performers.

Lafayette Public Library will offer our performers virtually through our "Tune-In Tuesdays" series. "Tune-In Tuesdays" will be accessible through our Facebook page and will run June 2nd-July 28th every Tuesday at 11:00 AM. Our Summer may be virtual, but we have a great lineup, so be sure to "tune-in."

Our summer performers will include local favorites like *Harvey Rabbit Productions*, *Hampstead Stage Company*, and even a special performance from our Bibliobop team from the South Regional Library. Don't forget to sign up for our Summer Reading Challenge 2020, read, and of course, enjoy our summer performers!

Our virtual summer is not just for kids; adult patrons will have the opportunity to enjoy virtual speakers, crafts, and other programs. Lafayette Public Library will offer many other virtual programs and performances throughout the summer make sure to check out our website and Facebook pages frequently, so you do not miss our virtual summer programs.



**Tune-in Tuesdays**  
**Tuesdays**  
**June 2 – July 28**  
**11:00 AM**

## Digital Programming



Why offer digital storytime? Sure, these storytimes are entertaining. And yes, it gives both library staff and families at home something to do. However, it's so much more than that. Not only is your child having fun listening to stories and following along to the songs, they're learning and building important pre-reading skills—all in a setting that's comfortable for them with librarians they might already be familiar with!

While children's librarians don't teach your child how to read, they play a very important role in laying the foundation for your child to be a successful reader when the time comes. Our librarians are professionally trained to provide a star-studded line-up of storytelling, music, fingerplays, and felt stories while creating an environment that fosters and encourages a love of reading and books. There's no denying that the more your child is read to, the more words they're exposed to, and the more positive connection they have with books, the more successful they will be when they are ready to learn how to read.

Beyond reading, you can also sing, talk, play, and write with your child! Simple things like going on scavenger hunts, making up silly rhymes, and sorting the groceries are all little ways that add up to make a big difference in your child's school readiness. From babies to toddlers to preschoolers, it's never too early to start, and there's a very good chance you are already doing these things with your child without even realizing it. Bottom line, storytime is one of the best things you can do for your child to set them up for lifelong reading success.

So if you haven't joined us yet for a storytime, make it a goal tune in this summer. You can also follow along with the daily literacy-building activity calendars found at the end of this BookTalk if you need ideas on how to continue to support these skills beyond storytime.

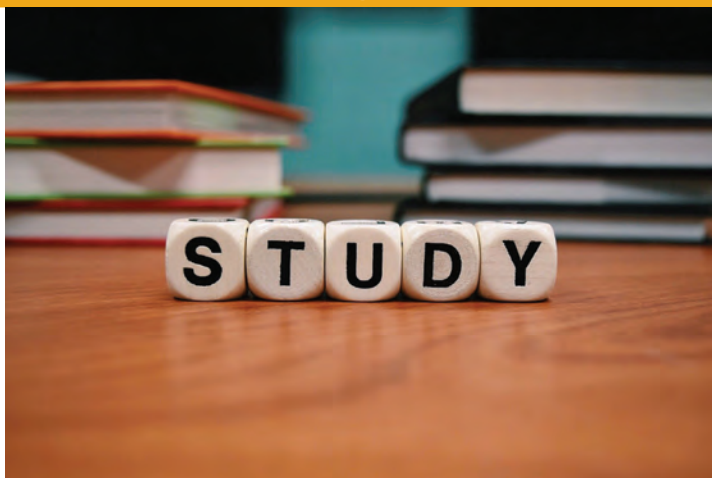
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**July – August**  
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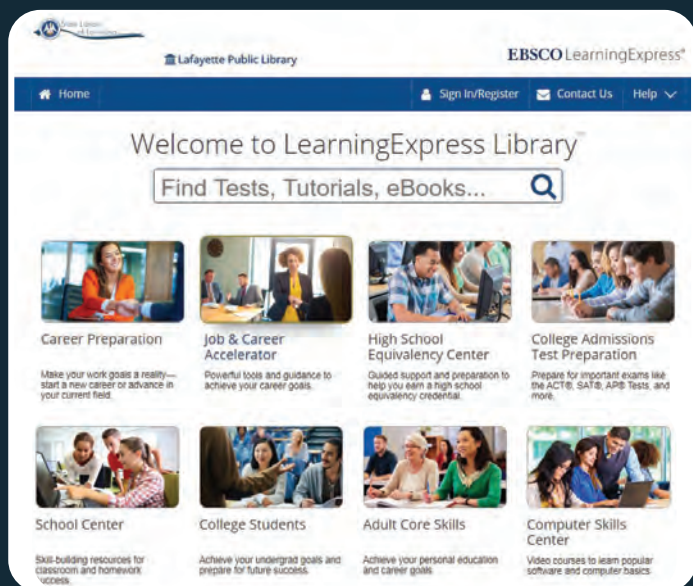


# Student Learning



## So what is this section about?

**This section contains resources specific to students.** Lafayette Public Library provides many online resources for students from preschool all the way to college and beyond. Here you will find websites with access to homework help, tutoring, references, test prep, practice tests, AP video lessons, and more. Since learning doesn't end in the classroom, these sites also provide access to continued education, adult education, and learning new languages. The end-goal to all education is putting it to good use. Here you will find occupation/career information, a scholarship finder, resume help, interview preparation, and job search assistance as well.



## LearningExpress Library

A comprehensive interactive learning platform with skills practice for elementary through college-age students. This site includes career preparation, job and career accelerator (tools and guidance to help discover careers of interest and the skills necessary for them), a high school equivalency center, college admissions test preparation, a school center (resources for classroom and homework success), adult core skills, computer skills center, and more! The site also contains a useful job search feature.

### Job and Career Accelerator

The LearningExpress Library's Job and Career accelerator is an amazing tool for students who are looking to the future. With it you can: find a career match, explore occupations, search for jobs and internships, visit the career library, and even use their school and scholarship finder.

## Homework Louisiana

One of our most used resources for kids and teens. Homework Louisiana provides 24/7 live tutoring available in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese. Test Prep features Princeton Review materials and practice tests, and students can create an account so they can track their progress. Homework Louisiana provides so much more than just tutoring, though!

Services include: academic tutoring with the option to submit essays and math problems for review; test preparation with SAT/ACT essentials, AP video lessons, HiSET/GED resources, practice quizzes, and standardized test prep; and job search assistance with online job search, resume and cover letter help and review, and interview preparation. This service is available within the public library, from home, or from campus.

## Pronunciator

**pronunciator:**

A fun and easy way to learn 163 languages at your own pace with personalized courses, movies, music, and more. Whether you've been wanting to learn Japanese, Spanish, or Sanskrit -- Pronunciator has you covered. Once you select the language you'd like to learn and your interests, you can choose courses geared towards your age range.

Once you click the link on our website, you can create an account with your email address. From there you have the choice of following a pre-designed curriculum for your age and experience level, or you can create a custom course to fit your needs. The best part is that there's content to fit your individual needs and learning style. Use language drills and answer quizzes, follow audio lessons, and enjoy movies and music in your chosen language.

Pronunciator also offers lessons for people whose native language is not English. Parents of children in language immersion programs can even use it to keep up at home. You could create custom courses for each member of a household and practice together!

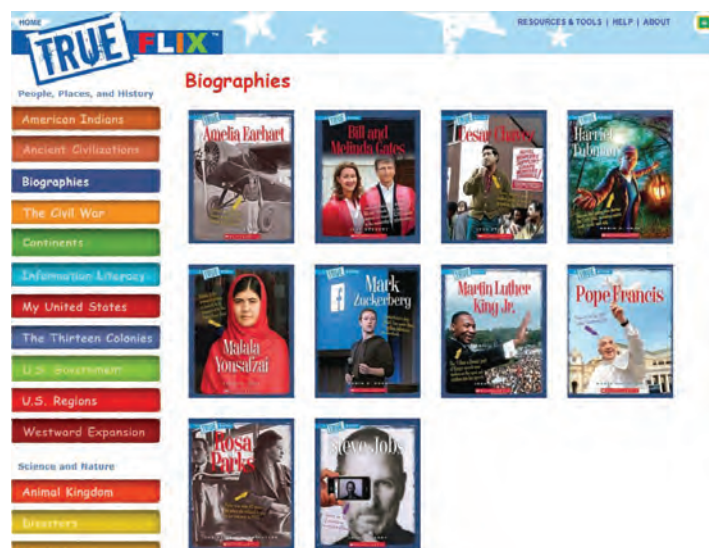
## TrueFlix



Have you ever wondered why spiders aren't considered to be insects? Did you know that leaf-cutter ants can carry more than 50 times their body weight? That monarch butterflies migrate over 3,000 miles each winter to escape the cold weather? These are just a few of the facts you'll discover by reading one of the TruFlix books on animals.

In addition to animals, TruFlix offers many other topics to explore: earth science, ecosystems, extreme nature, great discoveries, health, and outer space are just a few. The coverage on disasters, for example, delves into pandemics, oil spills, 9/11, and the Titanic. You'll learn that smallpox, the 1st pandemic, occurred in 1492 and devastated the Native American population.

If you're a history buff, you'll want to read the online books on Ancient Greece, the 13 colonies, westward expansion, and many other topics in the people, places, and history section.

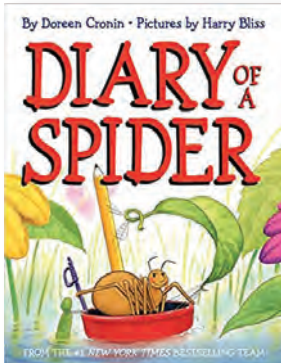




## TumbleBook Library

**Bloom** - Fiction/AR 4.2

A glass kingdom is no place for a Mud Fairy. Bloom and her mud fairy magic might be able to turn weeds into flowers and spin sand into glass, but the people of the kingdom ceaselessly complain about the trails of dirt and puddles of mud that seem to follow her every step, and finally they cast her out. But when the glass castle begins to crack, then cracks some more, the King and Queen in a panic search for the long-banished fairy, but they can't find Bloom anywhere. Desperate to save their home, they send their meekest, most ordinary subject, a girl named Genevieve, whose sole task until now has been to polish the Queen's crystal sugar spoon—to coax any worthy fairy to come and save the kingdom.



**Diary of a Spider** - Fiction, Picture Book/AR 2.5

This is the diary...of a spider. But don't be worried - he's more scared of you and your gigantic shoe! Actually, he's a lot like you. He goes to gym class and has Grandparents' Day at school. But he also spins sticky webs, scales walls, and takes wind-catching lessons. Lucky for him, his best friend is a fly!



## Tumblebook Cloud Jr

**Max Finder: The Case of the Basketball Card Foul**

Crack the case with a collection of graphic mystery stories starring popular amateur detectives Max Finder and Alison Santos. Featuring 10 solve-it-yourself stories originally published in OWL Magazine, as well as new puzzles and illustrated character profiles. The vibrant comic illustrations and witty dialogue will have readers on the edge of their seats.



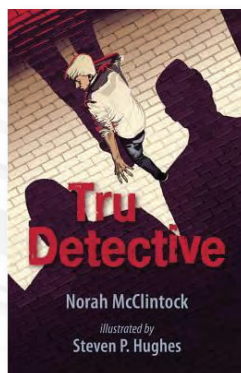
**The Reluctant Dragon** - Fiction (available as an audiobook)/AR 6.5

When a dragon is discovered up on the Downs, the Boy is not in the least surprised. He's always known there was a dragon cave, so it seems only right for a dragon to be living in it. The Boy decides to pay a visit to the cave, and he thinks he knows just what to expect. But this particular dragon is not a bit like the ones in fairy tales!

## Teen Book Cloud

**Tru Detective** - Fiction, Graphic Novel

Truman's parents are out of town, and he has made plans with his girlfriend, Natalia. When she doesn't show up, he is angry. But when he finds out she has been murdered, Truman becomes the prime suspect. With no alibi, he must try to find the truth behind his girlfriend's violent death. But the more he digs, the more he realizes he doesn't really know who Natalia was, and he starts to wonder why she was interested in him at all. Hounded by suspicious detectives, angry Russian mobsters and a sense that nothing is as it seems, Truman is in a race to save himself.



## Children & Teens



## SPOTLIGHT ON: TumbleBooks

Our younger patrons can connect with eBooks and amazing resources with this trio of services. These carefully-curated collections have something to offer regardless of your child's age level and reading ability!

## TumbleBook Library

One of our most promoted resources, and for good reason! TumbleBooks are animated, talking picture books which teach kids the joy of reading in a format they'll love. TumbleBooks are created by taking existing picture books, adding animation, sound, music, and narration to produce an electronic picture book which you can read, or have read to you. This amazing database is intended for grades K—6, and includes books in English, French, and Spanish. The collection includes fiction and nonfiction titles, graphic novels, a small collection of National Geographic videos, and online puzzles and games. TumbleBook Library also includes Common Core information, Accelerated Reader information, and lesson plans for many of the books. Parents love the read-along feature which highlights the words as they are read! If you are looking for something a little more portable, you can also download the TumbleBook Library app on your smartphone or tablet.

## TumbleBookCloud Junior

Provides over 600 titles and reading levels from grades 3-6 for adventurous young readers who wish to go beyond the picture book collection in TumbleBook Library! TumbleBookCloud Junior contains early reader chapter books, children's classics, graphic novels, children's audiobooks, and new National Geographic videos — many of which are paired with our e-books — a perfect complement to support Common Core Curriculum!

The layout of this program is very similar to that of its companion site, TumbleBook Library, and makes transition easier from one to the other.

## Teen Book Cloud

Perfect for the teen or young adult literature lover who seems to read faster than the library can reshelve books! This middle school and high school collection contains over 600 titles including a vast array of teen novels, classics, poetry, short stories, teen audiobooks, our very popular graphic novels, world-class educational videos from National Geographic, and a section for AP English. The collection is available online around the clock. No downloads, no waiting! If you can access the internet, you can be reading, watching, or listening to fantastic content.

The layout of this site falls in line with those of both TumbleBook Library and TumbleBookCloud Junior making for an easy transition.



# Children & Teens

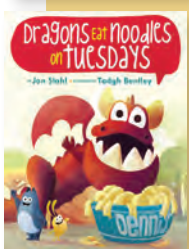
## The Rec Room

Staff recommendations to start your Summer Reading Challenge off right! For convenience, books are sorted by age range. Orange is for picture books, blue for middle grade, and teens are on the right.



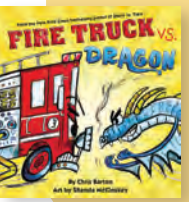
### A Couch for Llama by Leah Gilbert

When the Lago family's new couch accidentally falls off their car it is found by Llama, who quickly discovers how much fun a couch could be. (Fiction Picture Book)



### Dragons Eat Noodles on Tuesdays by Jon Stahl

While two monsters argue over how the story they are telling should go, Dennis, a very hungry dragon, is listening nearby--and he has very definite ideas about how this story should end. (Fiction Picture Book)



### Fire Truck vs. Dragon by Chris Barton

Friends Fire Truck and Dragon demonstrate what a good team they make at campfires, cookouts, birthday parties, and more, but in unexpected and unimpressive ways. (Fiction Picture Book)

### Bear Came Along by Richard T. Morris

An assortment of animals living separate lives discover they need each other when they have a chance encounter on a river. (Fiction Picture Book)



### The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise by Dan Gemeinhart

Coyote and her dad, Rodeo, have lived on the road in an old school bus for five years, crisscrossing the nation. It's also how long ago Coyote lost her mom and two sisters in a car crash. Coyote hasn't been home in all that time. But when she learns that the park in her old neighborhood is being demolished - the very same park where she, her mom, and her sisters buried a treasured memory box - Coyote devises an elaborate plan to get her dad to drive 3,600 miles back to Washington state in four days...without him realizing it. (Middle Grade Fiction/AR 4.7)

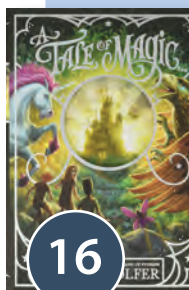


### Other Words for Home by Jasmine Warga

Jude never thought she'd be leaving her beloved older brother and father behind, all the way across the ocean in Syria. But when things in her hometown start becoming volatile, Jude and her mother are sent to live in Cincinnati with relatives. At first, everything in America seems like it's too much, but this life also brings unexpected surprises. There are new friends, a whole new family, and a school musical that Jude might just try out for. Maybe America, too, is a place where Jude can be seen as she really is. (Middle Grade Fiction/AR 5.3)

### New Kid by Jerry Craft

After his parents send him to a prestigious private school known for its academics, Jordan Banks finds himself torn between two worlds. (Middle Grade Graphic Novel)

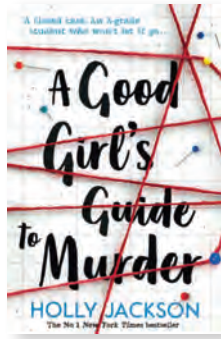


### A Tale of Magic by Chris Colfer

Fourteen-year-old Brystal Evergreen risks everything by opposing her kingdom's repression of women, but Madame Weatherberry, seeing her potential, invites her to a school where she hopes to change the world's perception of magic. (Middle Grade Fiction)

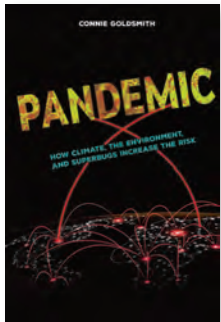
## A Good Girl's Guide to Murder

The case is closed. Five years ago, schoolgirl Andie Bell was murdered by Sal Singh. The police know he did it. Everyone in town knows he did it. But having grown up in the same small town that was consumed by the murder, Pippa Fitz-Amobi isn't so sure. When she chooses the case as the topic for her final year project, she starts to uncover secrets that someone in town desperately wants to stay hidden. And if the real killer is still out there, how far will they go to keep Pip from the truth? (Teen Fiction, Mystery)



## Pandemic: How Climate, the Environment, and Superbugs Increase the Risk

How close are we to having another worldwide health crisis? Epidemiologists predict that another pandemic is coming - one that could kill hundreds of millions of people. Learn about factors that contribute to the spread of disease by examining past pandemics and epidemics. Examine case studies of potential pandemic diseases, and discover how scientists strive to contain and control the spread of disease both locally and globally. See how human activities such as global air travel and the disruption of animal habitats contribute to the risk of a new pandemic. And investigate the challenges we face with antibiotic-resistant bacteria and mutating viruses. Can scientists control the spread of disease and prevent the next pandemic? (Teen Nonfiction)



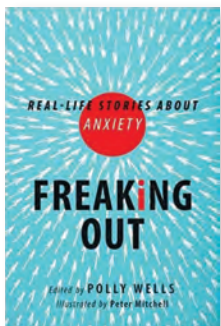
## Laura Dean Keeps Breaking Up with Me

Laura Dean, the most popular girl in high school, was Frederica Riley's dream girl: charming, confident, and SO cute. There's just one problem: Laura Dean is maybe not the greatest girlfriend. Reeling from her latest breakup, Freddy's best friend, Doodle, introduces her to the Seek-Her, a mysterious medium, who leaves Freddy some cryptic parting words: break up with her. But Laura Dean keeps coming back, and as their relationship spirals further out of her control, Freddy has to wonder if it's really Laura Dean that's the problem. Maybe it's Freddy, who is rapidly losing her friends, including Doodle, who needs her now more than ever. Fortunately for Freddy, there are new friends, and the insight of advice columnists like Anna Vice to help her through being a teenager in love. (Teen Fiction, Graphic Novel)



## Freaking Out: Real-Life Stories about Anxiety

That sweaty, gut-clenching, suffocating, racing-heart feeling... that dull, never-ending sense that something's wrong. What is it? Anxiety, which together with its associated disorders, affects millions of young North Americans today. The 13 true stories in this collection span the anxiety spectrum, from heightened adolescent angst to full-blown disorders, exploring anxiety's power to run amok and take over your thoughts. The triggers for the teens in this book range from the stress of getting into college, to the loss of a parent, to day-to-day social encounters. Their stories explore the different ways they each learn to unshackle themselves from the weight of overwhelming worry. (Teen Nonfiction)



## The Grace Year by Kim Liggett

Tierney James, sixteen, struggles to endure the year in which she and other young women are banished to the wild until, purified, the survivors are allowed to return home and marry. With sharp prose and gritty realism, *The Grace Year* examines the complex and sometimes twisted relationships between girls, the women they eventually become, and the difficult decisions they make in-between. (Teen Fiction)





# JUNE 2020

## Daily literacy-building activities to share with your child.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p><b>7 WRITING</b></p> <p>Draw the outline of your child's hand. Write the date and have your child "sign" the drawing.</p>	 <p><b>1 WRITING</b></p> <p>Draw outside with sidewalk chalk. Draw letters and shapes.</p>	<p><b>2 PLAYING</b></p> <p>Make bubbles outside. Talk about the bubbles. What shape are they? Which way will they go? Can you catch one?</p>	<p><b>3 TALKING</b></p> <p>Pick out a family snapshot or a random picture. Ask your child to tell you about the picture.</p>	<p><b>4 SINGING</b></p> <p>Sing "Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes." (<i>Words are on the back.</i>)</p>	<p><b>5 COUNTING</b></p> <p>Measure your child's height and write it here _____ Compare to January's measurement.</p>	<p><b>6 READING</b></p> <p>Make a paper bag puppet. Have the puppet read a book.</p>
<p><b>14 PLAYING</b></p> <p>Play Leap Frog with stuffed animals. Explain why the game is called Leap Frog.</p>	<p><b>8 PLAYING</b></p> <p>Play the letter day game. Look for words that begin with "S" like summer.</p>	<p><b>9 TALKING</b></p> <p>Talk about summer. What are your favorite things to do in the summer? How are summer and winter different?</p>	<p><b>10 SINGING</b></p> <p>Sing a favorite song. Then sing it again but make up new words.</p>	<p><b>17 COUNTING</b></p> <p>Weigh your child and write it here _____ How does it compare to January?</p>	<p><b>12 READING</b></p>  <p>Read a book about flowers and plants.</p>	<p><b>13 WRITING</b></p> <p>In the morning write today's to-do list. Check things off as you do them.</p>
<p><b>21 TALKING</b></p> <p>Ask W questions after reading a book. (Who, What, Where, When, Why). <i>Who is your favorite animal on this page? What will happen next?</i></p>	<p><b>15 TALKING</b></p> <p>Talk about colors. What is your favorite color and why? Find your favorite color as many times as you can today.</p>	<p><b>16 SINGING</b></p>  <p>Sing BINGO. (<i>Words are on the back.</i>)</p>	<p><b>17 COUNTING</b></p> <p>Go for a walk. Pick something and count how many you see. (Cars, trees, flowers, clouds, birds, squirrels, etc.).</p>	<p><b>18 READING</b></p> <p>Go to the library and pick out a book about summer.</p>	<p><b>19 WRITING</b></p> <p>Make a word jar. Each day write a new word on a slip of paper and add it to the jar. (Use any container—doesn't have to be a jar).</p>	<p><b>20 PLAYING</b></p> <p>Sit on cushions on the floor and pretend to be in a boat. Sing "Row, Row, Your Boat" (<i>Words are on the back.</i>)</p>
<p><b>28 SINGING</b></p> <p>Recite a classic nursery rhyme like The Cow Jumped Over the Moon. (<i>Words are on the back.</i>)</p>	<p><b>22 SINGING</b></p> <p>Make up a song using words that rhyme with dog.</p>	<p><b>23 COUNTING</b></p> <p>Count the number of kisses you give your child today.</p> 	<p><b>24 READING</b></p> <p>Look at a magazine together. Explain some of the pictures or illustrations.</p>	<p><b>25 WRITING</b></p> <p>Help your child draw a simple story with a picture for beginning, middle, and end.</p>	<p><b>26 PLAYING</b></p>  <p>Play "Simon Says" outside.</p>	<p><b>27 TALKING</b></p> <p>Talk about food. What do you like to eat?</p> 
<p><b>29 COUNTING</b></p> <p>Sort items from your grocery bag. These things go in the pantry. These go in the refrigerator? How many go in the freezer?</p>	<p><b>30 READING</b></p> <p>While reading with your child run your finger under each word. This will help them understand left to right/top to bottom reading.</p>				 <p><b>Public Library Association</b> A Division of the American Library Association WWW.PLA.ORG</p>	



# JULY 2020

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### 5 COUNTING

Have your child help cook with a recipe.

*We will need six eggs. One cup of flour, etc.*

### 12 READING

Vary your voice as you read. Use different expressions to help your child learn about feelings.

### 13 WRITING

Write a message outside with chalk.



### 14 PLAYING

Play the letter day game. Look for things that begin with the first letter of your child's name.

### 6 READING

Look at the cover of a book before reading it. Point out the book's title.

*The name of this book is...*



### 7 WRITING

Write a message and tuck it in your child's shoe. Read it together when your child finds it.



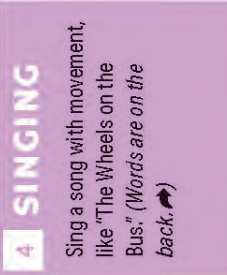
### 2 PLAYING

Go on a picnic. Play fun outdoor games.



### 3 TALKING

Talk about today's weather. What should you wear?



### 4 SINGING

Sing a song with movement, like "The Wheels on the Bus" (*Words are on the back.*)

### 8 PLAYING

Play "Follow the Leader." Do three things (reach up high, touch your toes, take a big step) and ask your child to do the same things.

### 9 TALKING

Use a fruit or vegetable your child hasn't seen before. Talk about how it looks, feels, smells, tastes.

### 10 SINGING

Play music with a fast tempo as you pick up and put away toys.

### 11 COUNTING

Compare amounts. *You have more pieces of apple than I do.*

### 16 SINGING

Play "Freeze." Play music and when you turn it off everyone has to stop in place until the music starts again.

### 17 COUNTING

Use a piece of string to measure things. What is longer? What is shorter?

### 18 READING

After reading a book talk about your favorite part.



### 19 WRITING

Help your child draw a picture of a summer activity. Have your child 'sign' the picture.

### 20 PLAYING

Play "I Spy" outside.

*I spy something that has three wheels and is pink. Yes! Your bike.*

### 21 TALKING

At bedtime talk about where animals sleep at night.

### 22 SINGING

Make a shaker by putting dried pasta or beans in an empty container. Shake it while you march and sing.

### 23 COUNTING

Count how many birds you see today.



### 24 READING

Print is everywhere. Point out words wherever you go today.

### 25 WRITING

Ask your child to dictate a letter to a special person. Show how to address an envelope and add a stamp. Then mail the letter together.

### 26 PLAYING

Play "Riddle Me."

*I'm smaller than your hand, I'm purple, and I'm in the kitchen. What am I? Yes! A grape.*

### 27 TALKING

Talk about things you do in the morning, things you do in the afternoon, and things you do in the night.

### 28 SINGING

Play "Echo Me." Clap, stomp, or beat a drum, and have your child repeat the noise.

### 29 COUNTING

Create a grocery list with your child. Look at what you have and what you need to purchase.

### 30 READING

Ask your child to pick out their favorite book to read today. Ask them why it is their favorite.

### 31 WRITING

Help your child experiment with writing using crayons, pencils, markers, and chalk on a variety of papers or cardboard.



# AUGUST 2020

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### 2 PLAYING

Paint on the sidewalk with water. Watch it evaporate.



### 3 TALKING

Make this "same and different" day.

*How are our socks the same and different? They go on our feet and they are different colors.*

### 4 SINGING

Make music with things you have in the house, like pots, pans, spoons, boxes, and cups.

### 5 COUNTING

Sort toys by size. Count the number of toys in each group.

### 6 READING

Read a nonfiction book about birds. Talk about what you've learned. Say the rhyme "If I Were a Bird." (*Words are on the back.*)

### 7 WRITING

Label the things in your child's room. Bed, dresser, table, book, closet. Point to the words and discuss as you put things away.

### 8 PLAYING

Play with blocks. What can you make? Form the blocks into letter shapes.

### 9 TALKING

Take an alphabet walk outside. Talk about things that begin with different letter sounds.

### 10 SINGING

Sing a bedtime story. Encourage your child to sing with you.

### 11 COUNTING

Put five stuffed animals in order from smallest to largest.



### 12 READING

Have a family story time. Each person picks a book to read aloud.



### 13 WRITING

Draw a picture for a grandparent or other very important person.

### 14 PLAYING

Play "What Fits?"  
*Will your hat fit under your bed? Will the refrigerator fit in your pocket?*

### 15 TALKING

It's Library Card Month. Talk about what you can do at the library.



### 16 SINGING

Pick a new kind of music you haven't listened to before. Listen together.

### 17 COUNTING

Set the table for a meal. How many plates will you need? How many utensils? Napkins?

### 18 READING

Go to the library for a new book you haven't read before. The librarian can help you find one.

### 19 WRITING

Write the names of each family member with chalk on the sidewalk. Stand on your name.

### 20 PLAYING

Play the yes-no game about time. Is it time to breakfast? Is it time to read? Is it time for kisses?

### 21 TALKING

Before going to bed talk about things you did this morning, this afternoon, and tonight.

### 22 SINGING

Sing a 'good morning' song to greet your child in the morning.



### 23 COUNTING

Count the trees you see today.

### 24 READING

Point out signs everywhere.

### 30 READING

Go to the library and check out a new book.

### 31 WRITING

Use play dough to shape your child's first name.

### 25 WRITING

Use chalk to draw shapes on the sidewalk. Draw a triangle, a square, a circle, and a rectangle. Talk about how they are different.

### 26 PLAYING

Pretend you are in a boat on the water. Ask your child what kind of fish they see.

### 27 TALKING

Offer choices today. Do you want this book or that one? Do you want water or milk? Would you like a banana or strawberries?

### 28 SINGING

Sing "Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes." (*Words are on the back.*)

### 29 COUNTING

Trace around your hand and around your child's hand. Talk about the difference in size.



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