

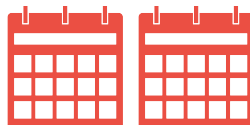


5

WAYS TO HEAD OFF THE *Summer Slide*

FILL KIDS' SUMMER BREAK WITH READING!

It's a fact: Kids who don't read over the summer fall behind their peers when school starts up again, and the effects of this "Summer Slide" can last a lifetime.



Kids can lose about **two months** of grade level equivalency in math and reading over the summer.



Summer Slide hits **low-income** kids the hardest, resulting in a significant achievement gap.



Over time, this loss can create a gap of **2 to 5 years** by the time kids reach high school.



Teachers spend **4-6 weeks** of a new school year re-teaching older material.

16

TIPS to Prevent Summer Slide:

- 1** Keep them engaged and learning while they're out of school. NovelList can help! You'll find it on your library's website, so you can access it anywhere.
- 2** Encourage kids to read at least 20 minutes every day. Need ideas? NovelList's Recommended Reads lists provide suggestions based on genre and subjects.
- 3** Read to your kids! Find quality read-alouds by pasting this search string in NovelList: AW Y AND RS Y AND RV read-aloud
- 4** Transform car rides into reading time. NovelList has audiobooks to interest every kid, perfect for short or long car rides.
- 5** Visit your local library with your kids. Let them pick out books on their favorite topics and they'll read more often!

Courtesy of *LibraryAware*, a product of **EBSCO**.