

Summer Reading 2023

# All Together Now





# Welcome!

We are very happy you are joining us for Summer Reading!  
Let's get started.

1. Challenge yourself to read every day this summer! We suggest 20 minutes a day. Don't forget that books, audiobooks, e-books, comics, graphic novels, poems, magazines, instruction booklets, recipes, reading to others and being read to all count!!
2. Color a puzzle piece on the reading log for each day you read.
3. After you read 15 days, you're halfway there! Bring your log in for a prize book!
4. After you read 30 days, congratulations!!! You've done a great job building a summer reading habit! Bring your log in for another prize book and free pass to Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium or Northwest Trek Wildlife Park for you and an adult guardian.
5. Would you like to challenge yourself more? Keep reading another 15 days, for a total of 45 days, and you can earn an extra prize book! Bring your final ticket and survey in by Aug. 31 to get your final prize!

How much will you read this summer? \_\_\_\_\_

## ¡Bienvenidos!

Estamos muy felices de que te unas a nosotros para la Lectura de Verano! Vamos a empezar.

1. ¡Atrévete a leer todos los días este verano! Sugerimos 20 minutos al día. ¡No olvides que los libros, audiolibros, libros electrónicos, cómics, novelas gráficas, poemas, revistas, folletos de instrucciones, recetas, leyendo a otros y alguien leyendo a ti, que todos cuenten!
2. Colorea una pieza de la puzzle en el registro de lectura a continuación por cada día que leas.
3. ¡Después de leer 15 días, estás a mitad de camino! ¡Trae tu registro para un libro de premios!
4. Después de leer 30 días, ¡Felicidades! ¡Has hecho un gran trabajo creando un hábito de lectura de verano! Trae tu registro para obtener otro libro de premios y un pase gratis para Point Defiance Zoo o Northwest Trek para ti y un adulto.
5. ¿Te gustaría desafiarte más a ti mismo? ¡Siga leyendo otros 15 días, para un total de 45 días, y puedes ganar un libro de premio adicional! Trae tu boleto final y la encuesta antes del 31 de agosto para obtener tu premio final.

¿Cuánto leerás este verano? \_\_\_\_\_

*Hey grown-ups!  
Reading together at least  
20 minutes a day is a  
great way to help your  
child gain literacy skills  
and get ready for the next  
school year!*

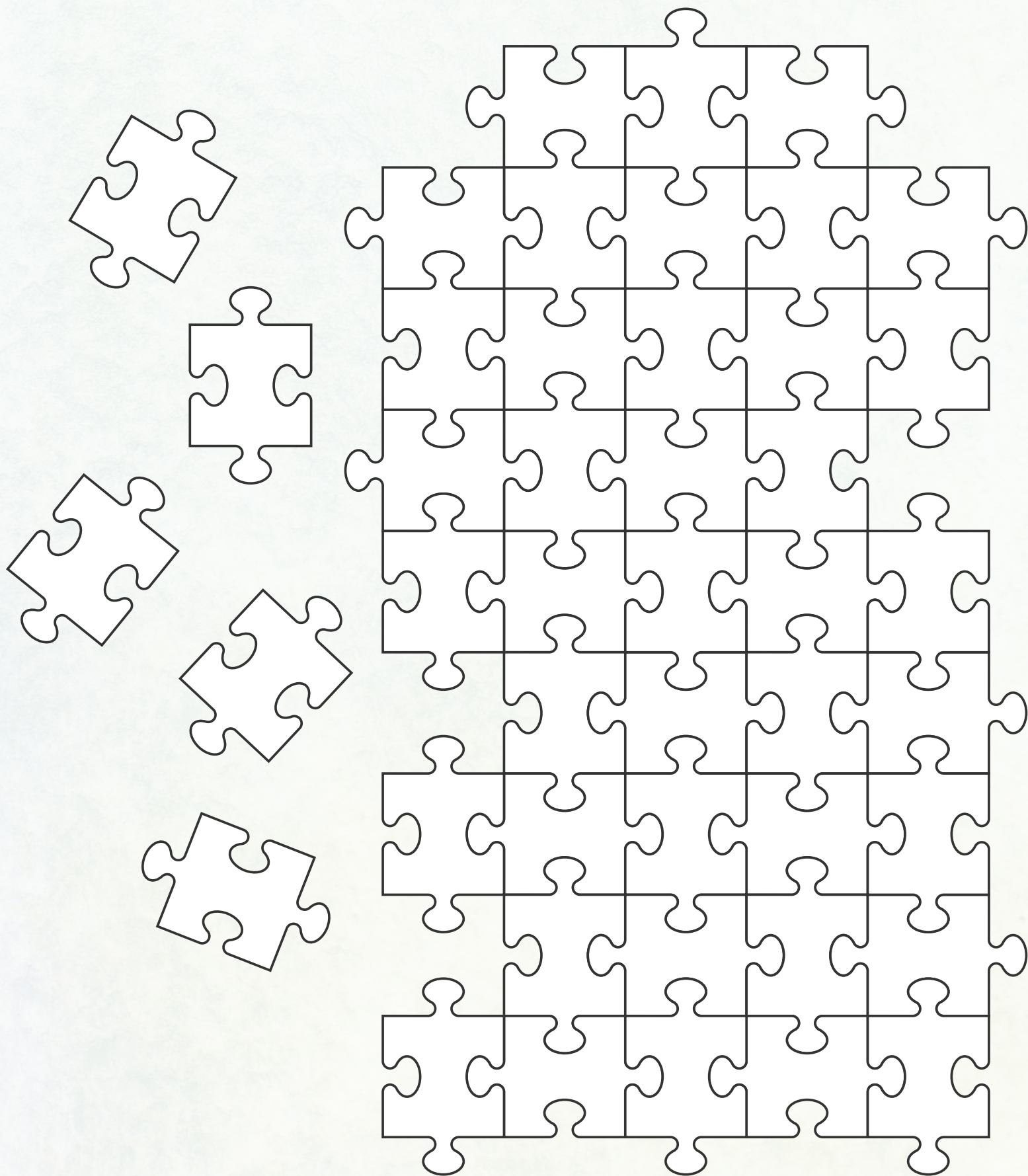


Keep an eye out for Lily the Ladybug throughout this log. How many times can you spot her?

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de ayudar a su hijo a  
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de alfabetización y  
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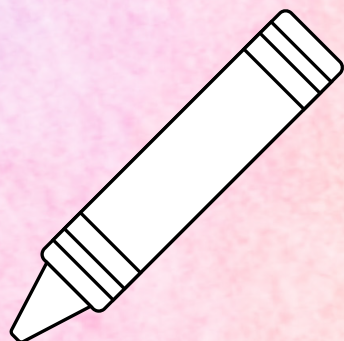






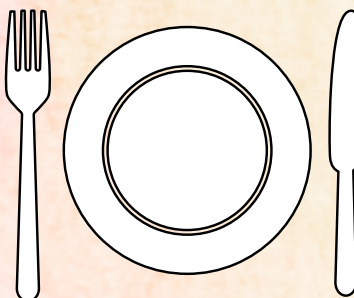
# All About ME!

By \_\_\_\_\_



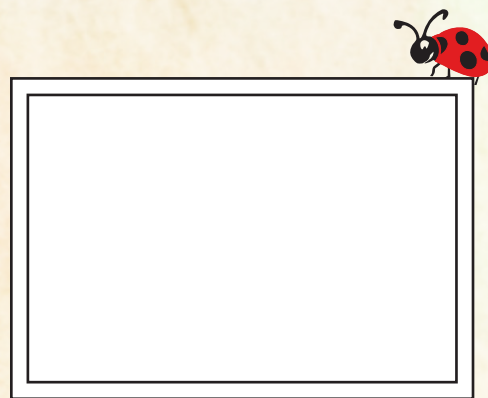
My favorite color is...

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My favorite food is...

\_\_\_\_\_



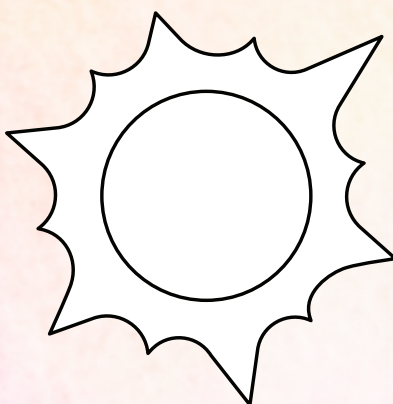
My favorite animal is...

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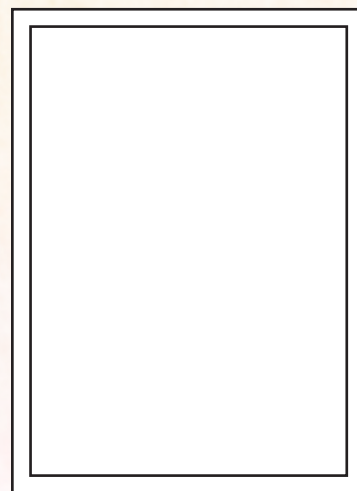
I am ... years old.

\_\_\_\_\_



My favorite thing to do in summer is...

\_\_\_\_\_



This is me!





# Design the Perfect Ice Cream Sundae

Draw and write about its special features.



*The blank space in the middle is for drawing, the four lines at the bottom are for writing.*

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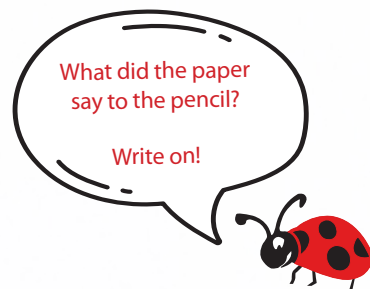
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What did the paper say to the pencil?

Write on!



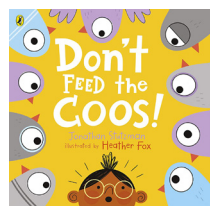


# Summer Reading Favorites

From your Pierce County Librarians

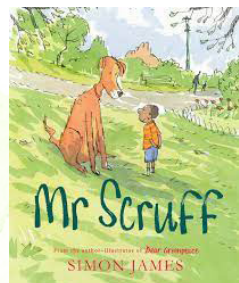
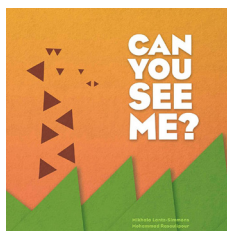
Look for the "Lily's Quick Picks" sticker at your local library!

Ms. Lisa at Graham thinks this is the best retelling of this story that she's ever read!



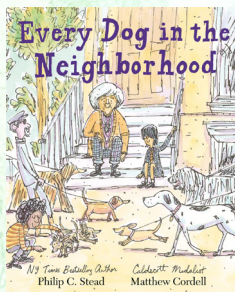
Ms. Mindy at Eatonville thinks you'll really like this book because it's SO funny!

Ms. Alison loves this book because each page is a puzzle to solve!



Ms. Alison also loves "Mr. Scruff" because it's all about wonderful, funny name rhymes and has two happy endings!

Ms. Kari at South Hill loves this book because of all the different dogs you get to meet. It also has a happy ending that'll warm your heart.



Ms. B at Key Center thinks you'll like this book because it's hilarious for both kids and adults! It's full of silly rhymes and absurd situations.

Mr. Alex at University Place thinks you'll like this one because it allows you to guess what will happen on the next page, but still be surprised when something even stranger than your guess happens!



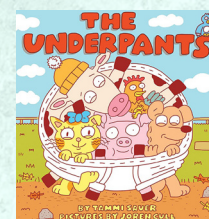
Mr. Alex and Ms. Lisa think you'll love this funny book about rainbow pooping unicorns!

Ms. Brandi thinks you'll also love this new graphic novel about Simon the ghost and his human friend, Chester, who are about to solve the MYSTERY OF A LIFETIME!!



Ms. Brandi at South Hill loves this series and thinks you'll love it too! It's a very funny story about a ladybug knight who never shies away from a quest!

Ms. Brandi and Ms. Lisa think you'll love this hilarious book! The poor farmer's underpants will never be the same when Kitty and her wacky barnyard pals squeeze into their new "coat" and prance around the farm.



Find more book recommendations on the Pierce County Library for Families with Kids Facebook group.





# Summer Reading Profile



What do librarians take  
with them when they go  
fishing?  
Bookworms!

My favorite thing about reading is: \_\_\_\_\_

Reading makes me feel:

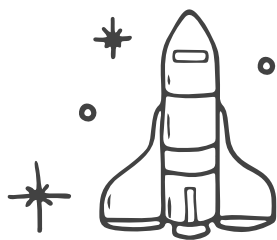


Because:

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The number of books I plan to read this summer: \_\_\_\_\_



**I like to read about**



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|---------------|--------------|-------------|
| • Sports      | • Mysteries  | • Robots    |
| • Animals     | • Adventures | • History   |
| • Magic       | • Space      | • Travel    |
| • Superheroes | • Ghosts     | • Jokes     |
| • Friendship  | • Cooking    | • Cartoons  |
| • Drawing     | • Music      | • Disney    |
| • Monsters    | • Movies     | • Dinosaurs |



My favorite book is:

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**Would you rather:**

I would rather read: Fiction or Nonfiction

I would rather read: Alone or With a buddy

I'd rather share what I read by: Talking with a buddy or Writing and drawing about what I read





## SPOTLIGHT

# Dogs with Jobs

Ever wonder what it's like to be a working dog? Join us as we find out!



### Meet Ember!

*Ember, Therapy Dog, age 10*

#### ***How did you become a Therapy Dog?***

I've gone to lots of different schools over my life. I love learning and I've done obedience, agility, hunting and even classes to help me find things with my nose! My family took me on a lot of field trips so I could see all sorts of things that might pop up on the job.

#### ***Best and worst day on the job?***

Any day that I get pets and love, so every day! There are no bad days! I was really sick last year, so I live each day to the fullest!

#### ***Favorite treat?***

CHEEEEEEEEESE!

#### ***Favorite game?***

Fetch! I also love learning new tricks.

#### ***Favorite book?***

"Three" by Stephen Michael King. One of my sisters had three legs, so it reminds me of her!



### Meet Mullins!

*Mullins, Therapy Dog, age 14*

#### ***How did you become a Therapy Dog?***

I've been to many schools, but my owner tells me that I have natural talent for my work. I've taken lots of obedience and manners classes and kept going from there. I did a lot of work when I was younger to get me comfortable with different sights, smells and sounds. Practice makes perfect.

#### ***Best and worst day on the job?***

One time someone gave me a lick of their lollipop. Best. Day. Ever. Worst day was any day that I didn't get a lollipop.

#### ***Favorite treat?***

Lollipops...and whipped cream!

#### ***Favorite game?***

I love a good treasure hunt! My owner hides treats around the house and I get to find them.

#### ***Favorite book?***

"¡Vamos! Let's Go Eat!" by Raúl the Third. I love a good story about food and adventure!







## Meet Obi!

*Obi, Therapy Dog*

### ***How did you become a Therapy Dog?***

Mom took me to get evaluated at four months and started my training. It took about 1½ years of training and I had to pass my canine good citizen test first. Then I had to take the therapy dog test. I took obedience classes and specialized classes that service dogs take. Now I can do service dog tasks for my owner. My family had to practice daily what I learned in class.

### ***Best and worst day on the job?***

My favorite days are when I get to see kids. They are my favorite. I love when I can help someone who is sad smile. My worst day was when we went on a visit and my tail got ran over by a wheelchair. It hurt!

### ***Favorite treat?***

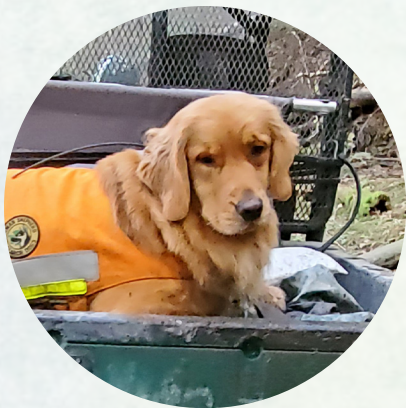
My favorite is when the baby sneaks me her dinner under the high chair.

### ***Favorite game?***

I love playing with my stuffed sloth. I carry it around in my mouth all the time.

### ***Favorite book?***

"Obi's Adventures in Petlandia." It's about me and one of my kids.



## Meet Risky

*Risky, Search and Rescue Dog, age 4*

### ***Tell us a little about being a Search and Rescue Dog***

It can be very thrilling! We search for all kinds of people, young and old, like hikers who have lost their way. We venture to places where most pets can't go, which makes it even more exciting! And sometimes we even have the opportunity to work in the National Parks parks like Mt. Rainier and Olympic National Park. The best part? I get to fly in helicopters and airplanes, which is so much fun!

### ***Best and worst day on the job?***

When we were able to help an older man get home after he had gotten turned around in the woods. He was really happy when I found him. He even gave me a cookie and a pat on the head as we rode back in the ambulance. I never have a bad day because we are always trying to help someone.

### ***Favorite treat?***

Absolutely anything that is food. I will even eat the packaging if I can get to it.

### ***Favorite game?***

I will play anything as long as there is a treat involved!!!

### ***Favorite book?***

I haven't done a lot of reading, my work is more like on the job training.





# Spot the Difference



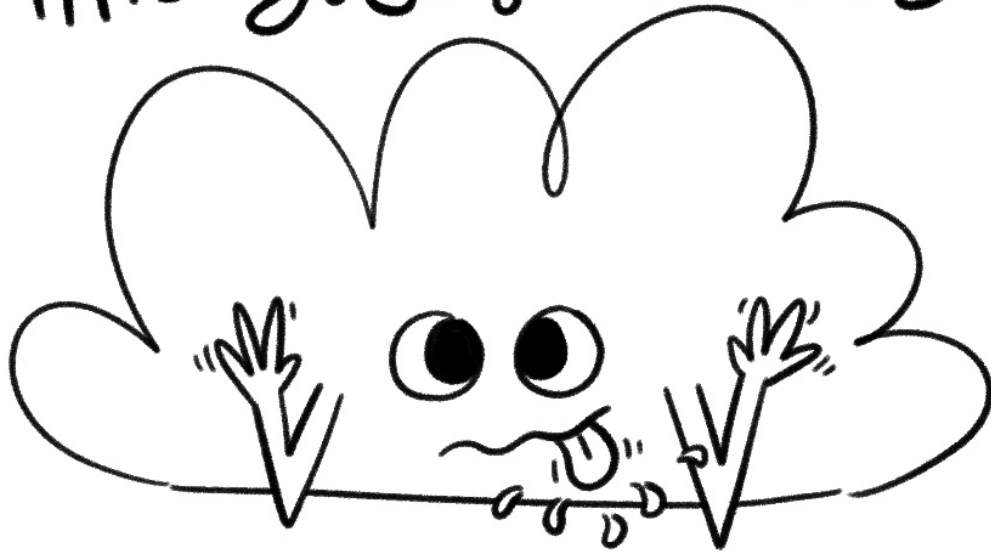
How are these pictures the same?

How are they different?





WHAT'S POURING OUT OF  
THIS SILLY CLOUD?



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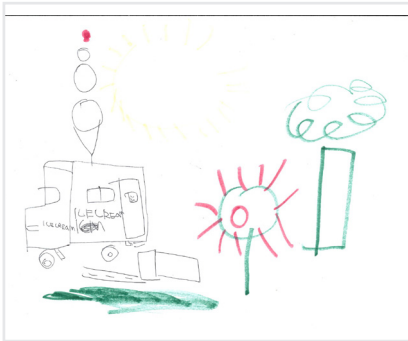
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# Kids Make ART

We invited kids at Pierce County libraries to share their artwork, poetry, stories and jokes with us in the second annual Pierce County Library System Creativity Showcase. Here are just a few pieces of art from talented kids like you!



*Summer time with ice cream truck*  
Oaks, Age 5 – Bonney Lake



*Ariel in the Sea*  
Abigail, Age 6 – Fife



*The Dandelion*  
Gordon, Age 6 – Graham



*Beach*  
Sami, Age 4 – Graham



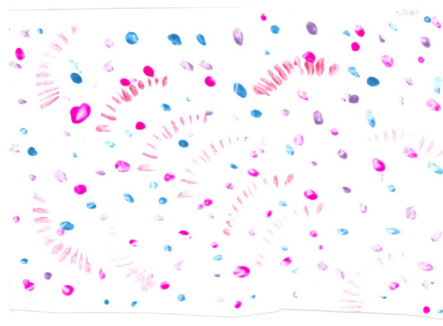
*The Sunset*  
Lexi, Age 7 – Graham



*The World*  
Adam, Age 6 – Gig Harbor



*Pinkalicious*  
Isha, Age 4 – University Place



*Splat of Color*  
Emmi, Age 7 – Sumner



*Adeline's Nature*  
Adeline, Age 6 – Sumner





*The Little Bunny*  
Amelia, Age 7 – Gig Harbor



*I like going to the library*  
Josephine, Age 6 – Parkland/Spanaway



*Robot and Rabbit*  
Dhatri, Age 6 – South Hill



*Unicorns at the Beach*  
Layla, Age 5 – South Hill



*The Dragon*  
Deacon, Age 5 – University Place



*Happy Birthday*  
Etta, Age 6 – University Place



*Lovey*  
Breanna, Age 5 – University Place



*Mermaid Splash*  
Lauren, Age 5 – University Place



*The Haz*  
Hazi, Age 5 – University Place

**Want to share your creativity?**

Look out for calls to participate in the next Showcase this fall!





# Sprinkle Kindness

We asked Pierce County kids to tell us how they show kindness—here's what they said!

I show kindness when I am playing with my friends.

*Teddy, age 7*

I show kindness when I share my mittens with my sister.

*Chelsea, age 6*

I show kindness when I help my friends learn.

*Kayson, age 8*

I show kindness when I let a new friend play with me!!

*Milo, age 5*

I show kindness when someone is sad and I ask to hug them.

*Diana, age 7*

I show kindness when I help someone in math.

*April, age 8*

I show kindness when I help my sister.

*Charlotte, age 8*

I show kindness when I share, listen, and don't lie.

*Calum, age 7*

I show kindness when I help others when they're sad.

*Samana, age 7*

I show kindness when I pick up trash so people don't trip.

*Ciara, age 6*

I show kindness when I am at school and I let my friend use my pencil sharpener.

*Avah, age 7*

I show kindness when I help people when they are hurt.

*Ashtyn, age 7*

I show kindness when I help people do math. And when I say I love you to my family and others.

*Nedah, age 7*

How do you show kindness?





# Kindness Bingo

Let's spread kindness like confetti! Complete your bingo card by performing kind acts for yourself and others!



Draw a picture and give it as a gift.	Pick up litter.	Give a compliment.	Help make dinner.	Leave someone a kind note.
Give a hug.	Tell a family member how much you love them.	Smile at everyone you see today.	Do a chore without being asked.	Write a thank you note.
Ask someone how they are.	Do something nice for yourself.		Write a letter to a friend or relative.	Help someone with a task.
Read a book with someone you love.	Let someone else choose.	Say hello or wave to a neighbor.	Say please and thank you.	Clean up a mess you made.
Say sorry if you hurt someone.	Try to make someone laugh.	Share your toys.	Hold the door for someone.	Say "good job" if someone else wins a game.







# SUNSCREEN PAINTING!

## You will need:

- Sunscreen cream (not the spray on kind)
- Black paper (or really any dark color paper)
- Paint brushes (or fingers!)

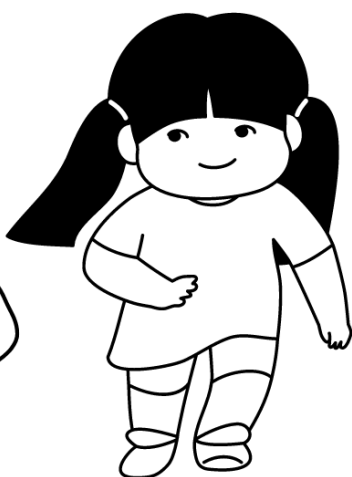
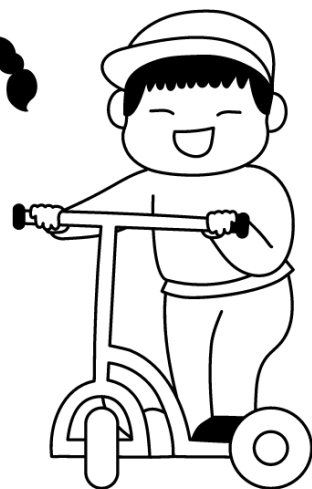
## How you do it:

- Use the sunscreen to paint a picture or write out a secret message on the paper.
- Put your paper where it will be in direct sunlight for a few hours.
- Hold down your paper with some rocks so it doesn't blow away.
- Come back and observe how the sunscreen protected the paper from fading - just like the physical barrier of the rocks did!

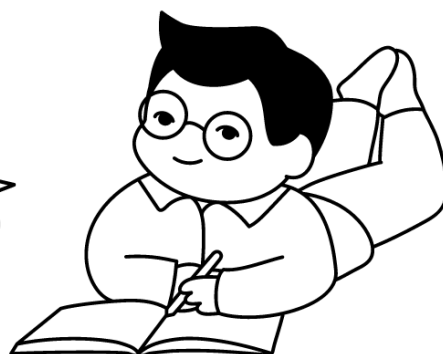
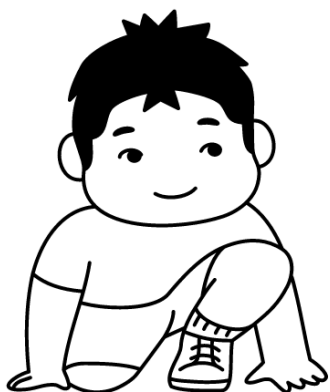
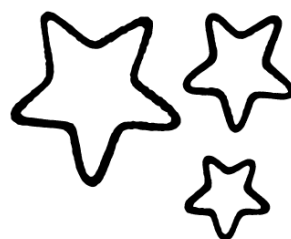




# hello



# friends!





# Highlights and Favorites

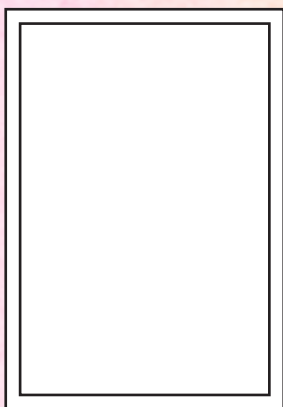
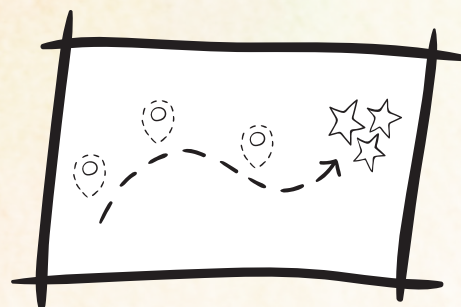


Book I'd recommend to my friends:

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A new place I read about:

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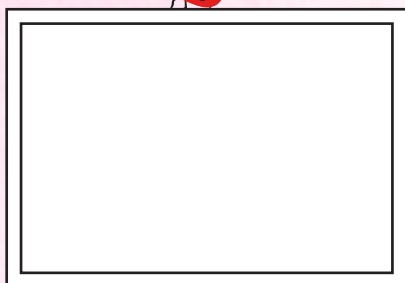


Silliest character:

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Best Book Cover:

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Someone who read to me (or with me):

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# Did you spot all the differences?

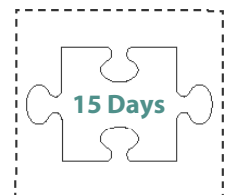
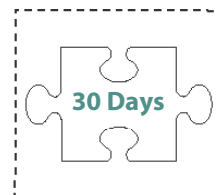
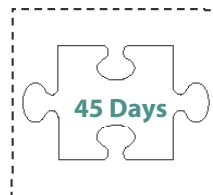


Lily appeared ten times!  
Did you find her all ten times?



**Congratulations! You're done!**

Don't forget to bring your final ticket and survey in by Aug. 31 to get your final prize!



**Kids! Your library wants to hear from you.**  
**Return this to any Pierce County Library.**

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Library: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

What do you like best about Summer Reading? \_\_\_\_\_

What do you not like about Summer Reading? \_\_\_\_\_

What one thing would you want to do at the library next summer? \_\_\_\_\_

Why did the chicken cross the road? \_\_\_\_\_



Grown-ups: Help us improve  
Summer Reading! Take the  
online survey.





Check out fun activities available all summer at your Pierce County Library!  
See what's scheduled and register at [mypcls.org/calendar](http://mypcls.org/calendar).



Get book recommendations, find activity ideas and join virtual story times on the Pierce County Library for Families with Kids Facebook group. Join today!

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