

Summertime means longer days and sun, making it the perfect time for learning fun! It's also a great time to make a plan that sets your child up for success next year.

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for an easy **3-step plan** to set your child up for success plus other ways to support summer learning fun.

How can you help your child stride forward?

Know before you go.

Before school lets out, ask the teacher what your child needs more support with and what you can do to prepare for the next grade. Ask about your child's reading level so you can find the right books during the summer.

Let them show what they know!

As your child reads, plays an educational app, or during everyday moments, ask them to teach you what they've learned and what they enjoyed or didn't. This will help them review important skills and build their confidence!





Make a simple plan.

Look at your child's grades, pay attention to how easy or hard it is for them to do grade-level activities, and look out for the state test results you'll receive this summer or early fall. By having the big picture, you can best partner with your child's new teacher.

Find the fun (and free) in your community.

Check out recreation or library programs that have academic support and activities for children. Visit a zoo or museum to explore new interests.



Promote real-world skills.

Encourage life skills that help your child in and out of school. Whether it's on the playground or at home, show your child how to problem-solve, learn from mistakes, and how to communicate effectively with others, especially in tough situations.

Set your child up for success!

When math and reading skills aren't practiced over the summer, **kids can lose 2 to 3 months of progress**. This is what's known as the 'summer slide'—when kids fall behind in school over the summer break.

Share your summer learning tips with other parents and get ideas too, using #bealearninghero.