

June 2018



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					It's the birthday of the American actor and narrator Morgan Freeman.	Today is the birthday of children's author Norton Juster.	6
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It's the birthday of children's author Anita Lobel.	Today is Hug your Cat Day!	Celebrate Richard Scarry's birthday with one of his classic books.	D-Day World War 2 was brought to the shores of France on this day in 1944.	Are you going to the beach this summer?	Happy Best Friends Day, from Frog and Toad.	Celebrate World Ocean Day with an ocean-themed book.	
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It's the birthday of children's author Maurice Sendak.	It's National Corn on the Cob Day. What letter does corn start with?	Does a mouse celebrate National Peanut Butter Cookie Day?	Happy National Weed Your Garden Day.	Flag Day "F" is for flag. Practice your ABCs and patriotism today.	Today is National Nature Photography Day.	Celebrate Fresh Veggies Day with a vegetable-themed book.	
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Father's Day Read a book about fatherhood to celebrate the day.	It's the birthday of children's author, Chris Van Allsburg.	Juneteenth Celebrate abolitionists by reading a book about Harriet Tubman.	Get outside in the warm weather and count some butterflies.	Summer Solstice Celebrate Summer Solstice with a summer-themed book.	Today is Take Your Dog to Work Day.	The sun is bright and high in the sky now that it's summer.	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Summer is a great time to look for wildlife at a nearby pond.	It's the birthday of author and illustrator Eric Carle.	Today is the birthday of baseball inventor, Abner Doubleday.	Celebrate Sun Glasses Day by reading a book outside.	Read about the man of legend on Paul Bunyan Day.	Have you ever been to summer camp?	It's the birthday of author David McPhail.	Į



June 1, 2018	Friday
Not only is Morgan Freeman a famous actor, he is also the narrator for films such as March of the Penguins. Can you find a penguin in Jean Marz a Penguin? How about the word "penguin" in this fun word search game? https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/i-spy-penguin-word-search-1	ollo's <i>l Spy</i>
June 2, 2018	Saturday
 Celebrate by reading his book The Hello, Goodbye Window, then play a word search based on the characters and words from the book. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/hello-goodbye-window-word-search 	
June 3, 2018	Sunday
 Celebrate by reading her alphabet book Alison's Zinnia. Then, practice your ABCs with a memory match game. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/upper-case-letters-memory-game-level-2 	
June 4, 2018	Monday
 What better day to read a book about Pete, everyone's favorite blue cat? You can even watch a read aloud video of James Dean's Pete the Cat's read by Ms. Becky. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/pete-cat%E2%80%99s-got-class-read-aloud-video 	Got Class,
June 5, 2018	Tuesday
 Read What Do People Do All Day, by Richard Scarry, to learn about all the jobs people do each day. When you finish the book, you can play a work to see if you can find words from the book. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/what-do-people-do-all-day-word-search 	ord search

June 6, 2018	Wednesday				
D-Day <i>Madeline</i> was written and set in France 5 years before D-Day. Read this French classic to understand why freeing France was worth fighting for, then play a word search about the book. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/madeline-word-search					
June 7, 2018	Thursday				
If you are going to the ocean, see if you can find any of the wildlife from National Ge yourself to the ocean by reading this book along with this handy guide for parents a https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/first-big-book-ocean-guide-parents-and-f	nd families.				
June 8, 2018	Friday				

Read about their adventures in friendship in Frog and Toad Together, by Arnold Lobel. Then play a memory match game to see if you can pair up words from the book.

https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/frog-and-toad-together-memory-match-medium

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Find out how much you know about our planet's largest bodies of water in Allan Fowler's *The Earth is Mostly Water*, then play a fun criss cross game with words and clues from the book.

https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/earth-mostly-ocean-criss-cross

June 10, 2018

Celebrate his birthday with a reading of his book Where the Wild Things Are, performed by Isaac Mizrahi. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/where-wild-things-are-read-aloud-isaac-mizrahi



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June 11, 2018 Monday It's "C." Now see if you can find the corn on the cob in the alphabet book Eating the Alphabet, by Lois Ehlert, and practice your ABCs with a fun memory match game. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/upper-case-letters-memory-game-level-2 June 12, 2018 Tuesday He does! But if you give him one, he'll ask for a glass of milk. Celebrate this most delicious day by reading If You Give a Mouse a Cookie, by Laura Numeroff. You can also watch a reading of the book! https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/if-you-give-mouse-cookie-read-aloud-reading-pioneers June 13, 2018 Wednesday Learn all about the rewarding work that goes into tending a garden in Stella Fry's book Grandpa's Garden. Use this guide for parents and families to help plan a discussion of the book and fun garden-related activities. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/grandpas-garden-guide-parents-and-families June 14, 2018 Thursday Flag Day Salute the beautiful American flag illustration on the cover of Gretchen's abc, by Gretchen D. Simpson, then practice your ABCs with a fun memory matching game. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/lower-case-letters-memory-game-level-2 June 15, 2018 Fridav National Geographic is known for their stunning nature photography, and the National Geographic Big Book of Animals is no exception. Read this books to

celebrate the day, then plan some animal-themed discussion and activities using extension activities for educators.

https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/national-geographic-big-book-animals-extension-activities-educators



June 16, 2018 Saturday Read Sylvia's Spinach by Katherine Pryor and see how even your least favorite vegetable can grow on you. Try giving spinach another chance, and if you still don't like it, you still have a fun memory match game to play at least. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/sylvias-spinach-memory-match June 17, 2018 Sunday Father's Day Meredith Costain's Daddies are Awesome is a book that celebrates the various ways fathers bond with their children. Read the book and play a word search to see if you can find all the words. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/daddies-are-awesome-word-search-medium June 18, 2018 Monday It may be a long way from polar temperatures now, but it's never too soon to read Chris Van Allsburg's classic, The Polar Express. You can even watch a reading of the book by Liam Neeson! https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/polar-express-read-aloud-video-liam-neeson June 19, 2018 Tuesday Juneteenth Juneteenth commemorates the announcement of the abolition of slavery in America on this day in 1865. This step toward equality wouldn't have been possible without brave abolitionists like Harriet Tubman, so celebrate by reading Aunt Harriet's Underground Railroad in the Sky, by Faith Ringgold. After

reading the book, play a word search to see if you can find the words and character names from the book.

https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/aunt-harriets-underground-railroad-sky-word-search

June 20, 2018

Wednesday

Learn all about butterflies in Jerry Pallotta's Butterfly Counting. Use this guide for parents and families as you read the book for discussion questions and butterfly-themed activities.

https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/butterfly-counting-guide-parents-and-families



June 21, 2018	Thursday
 Summer Solstice It's the official beginning of Summer, so go on a virtual vacation to Maine with the family from <i>Time of Wonder</i> by Robert McCloskey. Then, play a gamemory match with words from the book. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/time-wonder-memory-matching-medium 	ame of
June 22, 2018	Friday
 What would happen if you brought your dog to school? Find out what an adventure it might be as you read about Biscuit's day in <i>Biscuit Goes to Se</i> Alyssa Satin Capucilli. Then, play a word search game about the book. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/biscuit-goes-school-word-search-2 	chool by
June 23, 2018	Saturday
 Learn all about how sunlight is essential to all of the life on Earth by reading <i>Living Sunlight</i> by Molly Bang and Penny Chisholm. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/living-sunlight-word-search 	
June 24, 2018	Sunday
 Become a pond expert by reading Allan Fowler's <i>Rookie Science: Life in a Pond</i>. Read the book, find a pond, count some turtles, then play a pond- memory match game to make a whole day out of it. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/rookie-science-life-pond-memory-matching-medium 	themed
June 25, 2018	Monday
• Celebrate his birthday by reading Eric Carle's most famous book, <i>The Very Hungry Caterpillar</i> . Can you help the honey bee find the flower in this Elipspired maze. You can also do some coloring on the same page!	ric Carle-

https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/eric-carle-maze



June 26, 2018 Tuesday Celebrate the sport Mr. Doubleday made by reading Teammates by Peter Golenbock, a story about the famous baseball player, Jackie Robinson. There is even a word search based on the book that you can do. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/teammates-word-search June 27, 2018 Wednesday What better book than Sunshine Makes the Season, by Franklyn Branley. Read about how the sun affects seasonal changes on Earth, then play a word search with the book's vocabulary words. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/sunshine-makes-seasons-word-search June 28, 2018 Thursday Steven Kellogg's Paul Bunyan is a retelling of the classic tall tale with charming illustrations to match. After you read the book, see if you can find words from the book in this word search. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/paul-bunyan-word-search June 29, 2018 Friday If yes, were there any dinosaurs there? If not, don't worry, you can go to camp with Danny's dinosaur in Danny and the Dinosaur Go to Camp by Syd Hoff. Read about their adventures and play a fun memory match game with words from the book. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/danny-and-dinosaur-go-camp-memory-match-medium June 30, 2018 Saturday

Celebrate his birthday by reading David McPhail's *Hermana/Sisters* and playing a memory match game based on the book. https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/hermana-sisters-sp-memory-matching-medium