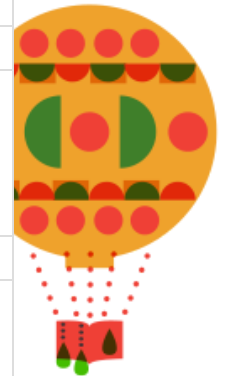
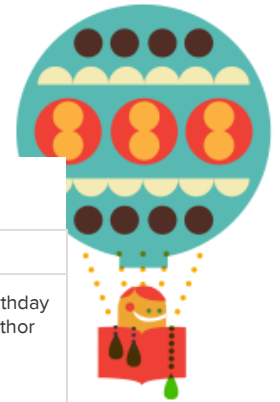


# June 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Today is Flip a Coin Day.	2 Today is the birthday of children's author Norton Juster.
3 It's a great day for some ice cream and a book.	4 Today is Hug your Cat Day!	5 Celebrate Hot Air Balloon Day with a Balloon-themed book.	6 <b>D-Day</b> The largest seaborne invasion in history was on this day in 1944.	7 It's the birthday of author Louise Erdrich.	8 Today is the birthday of the architect Frank Lloyd Wright.	9 Celebrate World Ocean Day with an ocean-themed book.
10 Today is Iced Tea Day. Have a literary tea party with the Mad Hatter.	11 It's the birthday of Gene Wilder, who famously played Willy Wonka.	12 Celebrate Red Rose Day by reading <i>The Little Prince</i> .	13 Happy National Weed Your Garden Day.	14 <b>Flag Day</b> Celebrate Old Glory with a book about military families.	15 Today is National Nature Photography Day.	16 Celebrate Fresh Veggies Day with a vegetable-themed book.
17 <b>Father's Day</b> Read a book about fatherhood to celebrate the day.	18 It's the birthday of Beatles singer-songwriter Paul McCartney.	19 <b>Juneteenth</b> Celebrate by commemorating the Emancipation Proclamation.	20 It's Ice Cream Soda day.	21 <b>Summer Solstice</b> Celebrate Summer Solstice with a summer-themed book.	22 Today is Take Your Dog to Work Day.	23 Are you struggling to find something fun to do this summer?
24 It's the birthday of author Kathryn Lasky.	25 The 2018 World Cup is underway.	26 Today is the birthday of baseball inventor, Abner Doubleday.	27 It's the birthday of author Esther Forbes.	28 Read about the man of legend on Paul Bunyan Day.	29 Island life sure sounds like a dream this time of year.	30 Summer break is a great time to do some travelling.



**June 1, 2018**

**Friday**

- If the chance of a coin landing on heads is 50%, what do you think the chances are of it raining meatballs? Well, the chances are pretty high in Judi Barrett's book *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs*. Read the book, then play a criss cross game with words and clues from the story.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/cloudy-chance-meatballs-criss-cross>

**June 2, 2018**

**Saturday**

- Celebrate by reading his book *The Phantom Tollbooth*, then play a word search based on the characters and vocabulary words from the book.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/phantom-tollbooth-word-search>

**June 3, 2018**

**Sunday**

- It's an even greater day for a book about ice cream! Read *Let's Find Out About Ice Cream* by Mary Ebeltoft to learn everything you ever wanted to know about the sweet treat, then play a fun memory match game based on the book's content.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/lets-find-out-about-ice-cream-memory-match-medium>

**June 4, 2018**

**Monday**

- Celebrate by reading *Romeow & Drooliet* by Nina Laden - and by hugging your cat if you have one, obviously. You can also listen to the book in this read aloud video with Haylie Duff.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/romeow-drooliet-read-aloud-haylie-duff>

**June 5, 2018**

**Tuesday**

- Read *The Twenty-One Balloons* by William Pene du Bois, a story of retired school teacher's balloon adventure over the Pacific Ocean. After reading, see if you can complete this criss cross puzzle with words and clues from the book.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/twenty-one-balloons-criss-cross>

**June 6, 2018**

**Wednesday**

- D-Day  
Commemorate the landing of the Allied Forces in Normandy and the invasion of France. Read the *The Diary of Anne Frank* to remember why the Allies fought to liberate Europe. Afterwards, test your knowledge with a criss cross game.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/anne-frank-diary-young-girl-criss-cross>

**June 7, 2018**

**Thursday**

- Celebrate her birthday by reading her book *The Birchbark House*. Then, play a criss cross game based on the book.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/birchbark-house-criss-cross>

**June 8, 2018**

**Friday**

- Celebrate his birthday with an architecture-themed book like *Iggly Peck, Architect* by Andrea Beatty. Use this helpful guide for parents and families to lead discussions and plan themed activities.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/iggly-peck-architect-guide-parents-and-families>

**June 9, 2018**

**Saturday**

- Whales are some of the most fascinating and threatened wildlife in the ocean. Read about the story of four divers who saved a humpback whale off the coast of San Francisco in Jennifer O'Connell's book *The Eye of the Whale*. Use this helpful guide for parents and families to lead discussions and plan themed activities.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/eye-whale-guide-parents-and-families>

**June 10, 2018**

**Sunday**

- Read *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* by Lewis Carroll, and imagine you are at the table with the Mad Hatter, the March Hare, and the Dormouse in chapter 7. After reading, test your knowledge with a criss cross puzzle.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/alices-adventures-wonderland-criss-cross>

**June 11, 2018**

**Monday**

- While the movie, and Gene Wilder's portrayal of the eccentric chocolatier, are fantastic, there is nothing like reading Roald Dahl's original book, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*. Read the book and test your knowledge with this fun quiz.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/charlie-and-chocolate-factory-multiple-choice-quiz>

**June 12, 2018**

**Tuesday**

- Just like the title character's mysterious rose, Antoine de Saint-Exupery's *The Little Prince* is a beloved treasure. Read the classic book and play a fun criss cross game based on the characters and vocabulary words.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/little-prince-criss-cross>

**June 13, 2018**

**Wednesday**

- Learn all about the rewarding work that goes into tending a garden and building community in Diane de Ande's book *The Patchwork 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/patchwork-garden-guide-parents-and-families>

**June 14, 2018**

**Thursday**

- Flag Day  
*H is for Honor* by Devin Scillian is all about the sacrifices that military families make to help keep our country safe. Watch a read aloud video of this patriotic ABC book.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/h-honor-student-read-aloud>

**June 15, 2018**

**Friday**

- National Geographic is known for stunning nature photography, and the National Geographic book *Face to Face with Wolves* is no exception. Read this books to celebrate the day, then try to find words from the text in this fun word search.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/face-face-wolves-word-search>

**June 16, 2018**

**Saturday**

- Read *First Peas to the Table* by Susan Grigsby. Learn all about Thomas Jefferson's love for growing peas and how to turn gardening into a competition. Along with reading, use this helpful guide to plan a discussion and some fun activities related to the book.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/first-peas-table-guide-parents-and-families>

**June 17, 2018**

**Sunday**

- Father's Day  
 Read *Father Bear Comes Home* by Else Holmelund Minarik and play a game of memory match.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/father-bear-comes-home-memory-match-medium>

**June 18, 2018**

**Monday**

- Celebrate Sir Paul's contributions to the band, and music at large, by reading *Fab Four Friends: The Boys Who Became the Beatles*. After reading all about the birthday bassist and his three bandmates, play a criss cross game based on the book.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/fab-four-friends-boys-who-became-beatles-criss-cross>

**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, or Abraham Lincoln's issuance of the Emancipation Proclamation a few years prior. Kelly Starling Lyons's book *Hope's Gift* was written to commemorate the latter. Read the book along with this helpful guide to plan a discussion and some fun activities related to the book.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/hopes-gift-guide-parents-and-families>

**June 20, 2018**

**Wednesday**

- What a great excuse to eat some ice cream and read *Ice Cream Summer* by Peter Sis. After reading the book, play a fun game of word search.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/ice-cream-summer-word-search>

**June 21, 2018**

**Thursday**

- Summer Solstice  
Read *One Crazy Summer* by Rita Williams-Garcia and play a criss cross game based on the content of the story.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/one-crazy-summer-criss-cross>

**June 22, 2018**

**Friday**

- Okay, maybe it's best to leave your dog at home, but what if your dog has his very own job like the title character in *Rags: Hero Dog of WW1* by Margot Theis Raven? Read all about how Rags became a hero and play a memory match game based on the book.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/rags-hero-dog-ww1-memory-match>

**June 23, 2018**

**Saturday**

- Well you're not alone! Read *Weslandia* by Paul Fleischman, the story of a bored Wesley who creates his own world to fill the time. Get some insight into the author's inspiration by reading this interview.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/weslandia-author-interview-paul-fleischman-and-kevin-hawkes>

**June 24, 2018**

**Sunday**

- Celebrate with her book *The Librarian Who Measured the Earth*, a story of Greek philosopher and mathematician, Eratosthenes. Practice your reading with a librarian-themed reading passage.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/leveled-reading-passage-once-upon-loud-librarian-medium>

**June 25, 2018**

**Monday**

- Read about one of Brazil's most famous and beloved soccer players of all time in *Pele: King of Soccer/ El Rey del Futbol* by Monica Brown. Use a helpful guide for parents and families to plan a discussion of the book along with some fun soccer-themed activities.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/pele-king-soccerel-rey-del-futbol-guide-parents-and-families>

**June 26, 2018**

**Tuesday**

- Celebrate his birthday with a story about how baseball provided an important outlet in a terrible situation. Ken Mochizuki's book *Baseball Saved Us* is a fascinating tale about a young Japanese-American boy's love of baseball in the tragic surroundings of a World War II internment camp. Listen to a read aloud video of the story.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/baseball-saved-us-read-aloud-video>

**June 27, 2018**

**Wednesday**

- Celebrate her birthday by reading her classic book *Johnny Tremain*. After reading, play a fun game of criss cross based on the book.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/johnny-tremain-criss-cross>

**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/leveled-reading-passage-making-legend-medium>

**June 29, 2018**

**Friday**

- Or does it? Read Eva Murray's book *Island Life* to see the pros and cons of living on an island in Maine. Use a helpful guide for parents and families to plan a discussion of the book along with some fun island-themed activities.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/island-birthday-guide-parents-and-families>

**June 30, 2018**

**Saturday**

- Read all about Amber Brown's summer travels in *You Can't Eat Your Chicken Pox, Amber Brown* by Paula Danziger. You can even play a game of criss cross when you are done.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/material/you-cant-eat-your-chicken-pox-amber-brown-criss-cross>