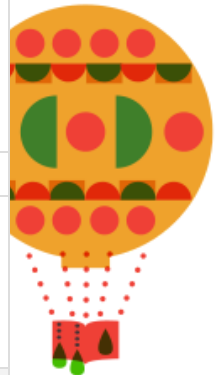
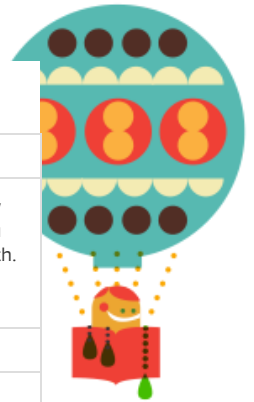


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						Set a goal for how many minutes you will read this month.
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Read a book before breakfast, lunch, and dinner today.	<b>Labor Day</b> Read a military book and write a soldier a thank you note.	Take a nature walk and look for seasonal changes.	What's today's date?	<b>Read A Book Day</b> Grab your favorite book and read for at least 20 minutes!	Read a nonfiction book today.	<b>Literacy Day</b> Celebrate World Literacy Day by having a "Read In."
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
<b>Grandparents Day</b> Read with a grandparent or try writing them a letter.	<b>National Swap Ideas Day</b> Exchange ideas with a friend about something you want to do.	<b>9/11 Remembrance Day</b> Talk with an adult about terrorism and the heroes of 9/11.	Dance to different types of music today!	Happy Birthday author Roald Dahl!	Write a poem about your favorite subject in school!	<b>Hispanic Heritage Month</b> Read about Hispanic history, people and culture.
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
<b>Guacamole Day</b> Try making your own guacamole and share it with a friend.	Have a reading Fiesta!	Add your own text to a wordless story.	<b>International Talk Like A Pirate Day</b> Arrrr you ready to read some good pirate books?	Make a reading fort from blankets and chairs.	<b>World Gratitude Day</b> Go out of your way to thank someone for their kindness.	<b>National Hunting And Fishing Day</b> Try out one of these outdoor sports with an adult!
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
<b>Autumn Equinox</b> Celebrate the first day of Fall!	Read the nutritional label on your favorite breakfast food.	Celebrate author Shel Silverstein's birthday!	<b>Johnny Appleseed Day</b> What is your favorite way to eat apples?	September is a peak month for hurricanes. How do they form?	<b>National Good Neighbor Day</b> How can you be a good neighbor? Create a list and act on it.	Play the game I Spy with a friend.
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Start your own rock collection.						



**September 1, 2018**

**Saturday**

- Take a trip to the library and pick out some new books to read this month! Then set a reading goal for September. If you need some book suggestions, click on the View Resources button to see some great Back to School titles and activities.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/search?query=back+to+school+>

**September 2, 2018**

**Sunday**

- Our bodies need at least three nutritious meals a day to stay healthy. Do the same for your mind by reading at least three books! Do you want to read about food? Check out the resources below.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/search?query=eating>

**September 3, 2018**

**Monday**

- Labor Day  
 When was Labor Day first observed? Why is it important? Find answers to questions like these in a book. Then check out the book, *H is for Honor* by Devin Scillian, to learn more about the military. You can view a student read aloud of the book and check out the activities in the teacher packet by viewing the resources.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/book/h-honor-military-family-alphabet>

**September 4, 2018**

**Tuesday**

- Get outside and look for signs of fall. Then visit your library to check out the book, *Goodbye Summer Hello Fall* by Pak and Kennard, to see if you saw some of the same signs of fall in your neighborhood. Draw a picture each month of your yard and see how your pictures change the next few months.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/book/goodbye-summer-hello-autumn>

**September 5, 2018**

**Wednesday**

- Talk with your parents or an adult about today's date. What month is it? What year is it? What day is it? What day of the week is it? Check out the book, *The Wednesday Surprise* by Eve Bunting, to see how two kids and their grandma used Wednesdays to create a special surprise for their dad. See the book and activities for the book by clicking on the View Resources button.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/book/wednesday-surprise>

**September 6, 2018****Thursday**

- Read A Book Day

Celebrate Read a Book Day by reading your favorite books! Ask your family members, neighbors and friends what their favorite book is and maybe you'll find a new favorite too! Check out some favorite Caldecott Award books and accompanying activities by clicking View Resources.

<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/search?query=caldecott>

**September 7, 2018****Friday**

- Check out the Reading Rockets guide for *Growing Readers!: Getting the Most out of Nonfiction Reading Time*. Try some of the activities with a few new nonfiction books from your library.

[https://www.rif.org/sites/default/files/Support\\_Materials/ReadingRockets-ReadAloud.pdf](https://www.rif.org/sites/default/files/Support_Materials/ReadingRockets-ReadAloud.pdf)

**September 8, 2018****Saturday**

- Literacy Day

Invite friends over to read and share their favorite stories. Need suggestions? Click on the View Resources button to see some Newbery Medal Award Winning books.

[https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/search?query=newbery&f%5B0%5D=supported\\_grades%3A72](https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/search?query=newbery&f%5B0%5D=supported_grades%3A72)

**September 9, 2018****Sunday**

- Grandparents Day

Grandparents are special! If you live close to your grandparents, spend time reading with them today. If they aren't close, then try writing them a letter. You can tell them about your favorite book! Click on the View Resources button to see some books with grandparents in them.

<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/search?query=grandparents>

**September 10, 2018**

**Monday**

- National Swap Ideas Day

National Swap Ideas Day encourages us to share a creative or helpful idea with someone and trade them for their ideas in return. Leonardo da Vinci was great at swapping ideas! Check out the book, *Neo Leo: The Ageless Ideas of Leonardo da Vinci* by Gene Baretta to see how some of the things we use today were ideas of his 500 years ago! Try some of the fun activities and games that go along with the book too!

<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/book/neo-leo-ageless-ideas-leonardo-da-vinci>

**September 11, 2018**

**Tuesday**

- 9/11 Remembrance Day

Fred Rogers wrote in his book *Mister Rogers Parenting Book*, "When I was a boy and I would see scary things in the news, my mother would say to me, 'Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping.'" It's important to discuss questions that arise about this day and to honor the helpers. Talking about terrorism can be a scary topic. Check out the guide, *Talking to your Children about Terrorism*, created by 911memorial.org for some suggestions on handling this topic.

[https://www.911memorial.org/sites/default/files/2016\\_TalkingToChildren\\_P9.pdf](https://www.911memorial.org/sites/default/files/2016_TalkingToChildren_P9.pdf)

**September 12, 2018**

**Wednesday**

- Listen to a various types of music like: classical, reggae, rock and jazz. Talk with an adult about rhythm and how you can move your body to different types of rhythms. You can read about different forms of dance and music too! Check out some dance titles by clicking on the View Resources button.

[https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/search?query=dance&f%5B0%5D=supported\\_grades%3A72](https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/search?query=dance&f%5B0%5D=supported_grades%3A72)

**September 13, 2018**

**Thursday**

- Celebrate Roald Dahl's birthday today by reading one of his books! Check out some of the books he wrote by clicking on the View Resources button below. Try some of the fun activities that go along with his books too!

<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/search?query=dahl>

**September 14, 2018**

**Friday**

- Check out the book *Math-terpieces* by Greg Tang for some poetry inspiration. Then try writing your own poem about a subject or topic in school. Once you are finished, share your poem with your teacher!  
<https://prod.rif.org/literacy-central/book/math-terpieces>

**September 15, 2018**

**Saturday**

- Hispanic Heritage Month  
 From September 15 to October 15, we observe Hispanic Heritage Month. Read some books that celebrate the histories, cultures, and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America. Click on the View Resources button to see books that celebrate Hispanic Heritage!  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/search?query=Hispanic>

**September 16, 2018**

**Sunday**

- Guacamole Day  
 Guacamole is a tasty Mexican side dish made from avocados. You can eat it with tortilla chips or put it on top of your favorite main dish. Try the recipe below!  
<http://pbskids.org/zoom/activities/cafe/guacamole.html>

**September 17, 2018**

**Monday**

- Turn off the television and read! Try having a reading fiesta by checking out the book *Book Fiesta!* by Pat Mora! Don't forget to try some of the activities and games that go with the book!  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/book/book-fiesta>

**September 18, 2018**

**Tuesday**

- *The Lion and the Mouse* illustrated by Jerry Pinkney is a good place to start. Check out the resources which include games and even a video read aloud of the book! I wonder if your story would be the same as the readers?  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/book/lion-and-mouse>

**September 19, 2018**

**Wednesday**

- International Talk like a Pirate Day

Practice talking like a pirate while reading aloud fun books about pirates with your family and friends. Click on the View Resources link below to check out some great books about pirates and you'll even find fun activities and games too!

<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/search?query=pirate>

**September 20, 2018**

**Thursday**

- After your fort is complete, spend some time reading in it using a flashlight! Need a book suggestion? Check out these scary but not so scary books! You'll find fun activities and games to go with them too!

[https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/search?query=scary&f%5B0%5D=supported\\_grades%3A243](https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/search?query=scary&f%5B0%5D=supported_grades%3A243)

**September 21, 2018**

**Friday**

- World Gratitude Day

There are so many ways to say thank you. You could write a letter, give a hug, sing a song or even draw a picture. Thanking others is a great way to show that you recognize their kindness towards you. No act of kindness is too small and should be overlooked for a thank you. How many people do you have to thank today? Read a story about thanking others for some inspiration. Click on the view resources button to see stories and activities all about saying thank you!

<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/search?query=thank+you>

**September 22, 2018**

**Saturday**

- National Hunting and Fishing Day

Hunting and Fishing is considered more of a sport these days but was once a way of life to ensure you had food to eat. Visit your local library to read the book *Daniel Boone* by James Daugherty. This story tells about a legendary young pioneer who hunted and fished. Then try out some of the fun games that go along with the book.

<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/book/daniel-boone>

**September 23, 2018**

**Sunday**

- Autumn Equinox

Did you ever wonder why we have seasons? Visit the library to read *The Reasons for Seasons* by Gail Gibbons to learn about how the Earth's position changes our seasons. Then try some fun games that go with the book by clicking on the View Resources link below.

<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/book/reasons-seasons>

**September 24, 2018**

**Monday**

- What new fact did you learn? What food group would you consider the item(s)? Read about the importance of eating healthy in the book, *Breakfast by the Numbers* by Cecilia Minden. You will learn how you can use math to help you make good choices for breakfast!

<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/book/breakfast-numbers>

**September 25, 2018**

**Tuesday**

- Read some of his poems and try to write some of your own. Click on the View Resources link to see some of his titles and find activities and games that go with his books.

<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/search?query=silverstein>

**September 26, 2018**

**Wednesday**

- Johnny Appleseed Day

You can eat apples whole, sliced, raw or cooked. Tons of recipes use apples and eating apples daily is a known method for keeping your body healthy! Celebrate the man who is known for spreading apple and pear trees across most of this country by eating an apple your favorite way and reading a book about apples! If you need a book suggestion try *How to Make an Apple Pie and See the World* by Marjorie Priceman. You will learn about the ingredients needed for this classic recipe and more about where your food comes from. Then try a few games that go with the book.

<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/book/how-make-apple-pie-and-see-world>

**September 27, 2018**

**Thursday**

- Hurricanes can be scary, learn how to be prepared if a hurricane comes your way. Check out the story sampler, *Understanding Natural Disasters* created by Reading is Fundamental. The story sampler shares books and activities that help young readers learn about the different types of natural disasters and ways to be prepared in case you experience one in the future.  
[https://www.rif.org/sites/default/files/Support\\_Materials/Understanding-Natural-Disasters.pdf](https://www.rif.org/sites/default/files/Support_Materials/Understanding-Natural-Disasters.pdf)

**September 28, 2018**

**Friday**

- National Good Neighbor Day  
 There are many ways you can help your neighbors. Pick up trash in the community, help someone who is elderly cut their grass or make a card showing someone you care. No matter what you do, your neighbors will notice you as a good neighbor and you'll bring a smile to their face. Then check out the book *The Patchwork Garden/ Pedacitos de huerto* by Diane de Ande, and learn about a young girl who made a big the impact on her neighborhood. Try the activities, games and guides for inspiration in creating change that will bring together your neighbors.  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/book/patchwork-garden-pedacitos-de-huerto>

**September 29, 2018**

**Saturday**

- Check out all the *I Spy* books by Jean Marzollo and create your own I Spy hunt for a friend. Gather a bunch of items and place them in a container or box. Provide clues for finding certain objects hidden in your unique collection of things.  
[https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/search?query=Marzollo&f%5B0%5D=lexile\\_range%3A6184](https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/search?query=Marzollo&f%5B0%5D=lexile_range%3A6184)

**September 30, 2018**

**Sunday**

- Go outside and find different kinds of rocks. Then visit your local library to borrow the book *Scholastic Discover More: Rocks and Minerals* by Dan Green. Try to identify the types of rocks you found. Don't forget to check out the guides in the resources link below that support the book with cool activities and experiments involving rocks!  
<https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/book/scholastic-discover-more-rocks-and-minerals>