

Optional Supplemental Summer Activities for Language Arts & Writing

All Key Middle School students have **required summer reading with supplemental assignments** for their rising Humanities / Global Studies classes. You can review that information here: [Summer Math and Reading](#). If you are looking for supplemental practice and skill development, we suggest trying one of these resources below!

Vocabulary Practice through [Membean](#) (For returning students; new students will have accounts in September!)

All Middle School students have a subscription to Membean through their Key School accounts. Students will continue to have access to Membean throughout the summer.

Creative Writing

- ["48 Writing Prompts for Middle School Kids"](#)
- [Over 1,000 Writing Prompts for Students](#) (New York Times)

Skill Development

If your student's 2021 report cards indicate that they would benefit from skill development in basic writing skills such as capitalization, punctuation, sentence structure ,or paragraph organization, you can email Jane Zanger at jzanger@keyschool.org for more information.

Experiential Learning for Building Historical Background Knowledge

Experiential learning is at the heart of the Humanities program at Key. If your family would enjoy a day trip or a short overnight trip, you will find a few suggestions linked below that would provide your student with relevant background knowledge for their year ahead in Middle School Humanities. Some of these sites are recommended because we were not able to visit them this year due to Covid restrictions.

- **Rising 5th Grade**
 - [History Museum & Gardens | Historic London Town and Gardens | Edgewater Maryland](#)

- [Historic Jamestowne Part of Colonial National Historical Park \(US National Park Service\)](#)
- [National Museum of the American Indian: Home Page](#)

- **Rising 6th Grade**
 - [Home – Historic St. Mary's City - A Museum of History & Archaeology at Maryland's First Capital](#)
 - [Historic Philadelphia - discoverPHL.com](#)
 - [Colonial Williamsburg | The World's Largest Living History Museum](#)

- **Rising 7th Grade**
 - [Washington DC Monuments & Memorials | List of DC Monuments](#)
 - [Reginald F. Lewis Museum | Art. History. A Whole Lot of Culture.](#)
 - [National Museum of the American Indian: Home Page](#)

- **Rising 8th Grade**
 - [National Museum of African American History and Culture \(NMAAHC\)](#)
 - [Reginald F. Lewis Museum | Art. History. A Whole Lot of Culture.](#)
 - [Jewish Museum of Maryland](#)