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# English/Language Arts Summer Learning



[Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge](#)



**RICHLAND  
LIBRARY**  
access freely.®

[Richland County Public Library](#) (Making Summer Count)

## Free Online Reading Comprehension Websites

[ReadWorks](#)

[Read Theory](#)

[TweenTribune](#)

## Free Online Writing Practice:

[NaNoWriMo Young Writers Program](#)

[StoryBird](#)

[Teen Ink](#)

[Teach to Write](#) Summer Reading Activities for your Middle Schooler

## High-Interest Books to Read:

[South Carolina Book Awards](#)

## Selecting the Right Book

[Goodreads](#)

- ★ Join Goodreads, where social media meets reading, in an interactive site with reviews and chats. As their logo says, "Find your next favorite book."

[Common Sense Media](#)

## The Columbia Museum of Art

<https://www.columbiamuseum.org/learn/summer-camps>

## Columbia Children's Theatre

<https://www.columbiachildrenstheatre.com/>

[Check out the Summer Reading Opportunities on your school's website.](#)



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## **Activities:**

- ★ Read a book to a younger child. Be expressive as you read, and use good intonation.
- ★ Participate in the Richland Library Summer Reading program.
- ★ Go see a play at a local theater. See the link below for a list of local theaters and links to each theater's website where you can view upcoming events.  
<https://www.experiencecolumbiasc.com/things-to-do/arts-and-culture/theater/>
- ★ Read a book and watch the movie that is based on the book. Compare and contrast the different portrayals of the story.
- ★ Visit a museum. Look at the exhibits and read the information that is displayed in each one.
- ★ Start a book club of your own. Choose books to read and discuss. Set meeting dates, and goals and develop discussion questions.
- ★ Start a journal with a friend or relative. Take turns writing in it all summer long. You can even do this by mail or e-mail.
- ★ Pick an important news event from another city, state, or country. Find as much information on the topic as possible – read newspapers, listen to the radio, and watch TV news. Talk about what you learned.
- ★ Start a round-robin story. Write the beginning, then ask friends to add to it until it has an ending.



# High School ELA Summer Enrichment Activities

## Reading

- ☐ Check out the summer events at the Richland Library! Between the Artist in Residence, the book clubs, and the interview practice sessions, you'll have lots of opportunities to get involved while keeping your ELA skills sharp. <https://www.richlandlibrary.com/events>
- ☐ [Join the Richland County Library Summer Reading Challenge](#)-Earn freebies and admissions to events around Columbia, SC.
- ☐ Curl up with a good Book. Search these sites for your next reading pick:  
  
[Barnes and Nobles Top YA Books](#)  
[South Carolina Book Awards](#)
- ☐ Can't make it to the library or bookstore? No problem! Browse from hundreds of ebooks and audiobooks on [Richland Two's Sora app](#).
- ☐ This summer, help your child become a confident, enthusiastic reader. [Summer Reading Skills Programs](#) are offered by Clemson University's Center for Corporate

## Writing

- ☐ Perhaps this is the summer you finally want to write that short story or novel. Never fear, support is here! Check out the Young Writer's Program. <https://ywp.nanowrimo.org/>
- ☐ [30 Day Writing Prompt Challenge](#): This activity has 30 Write Prompts that are meant to get you thinking and reflecting. For each day, read and respond to the prompt in full sentences, either in a notebook or in a digital document
- ☐ [Writing Prompts from YouTube](#): Here's a set of short videos sketched out to spark creative thinking and help students fall in love with writing.
- ☐ [Story Starters](#): Needing a jumpstart for an awesome story? Pick one of these 50 story starters to create your own story!



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Learning and designed and taught by instructors from the Institute of Reading Development.

- ❑ [Article of the Week](#): Practice reading and writing skills with the various articles posted here. Each article gives questions for response and allows for annotations and reflections.
- ❑ [US News – High School](#): Reading doesn't always mean having your nose in a book. Staying up to date with news and current events requires reading too! Check out these news articles pertaining to high school students.
- ❑ [ACT Academy](#): Practice your reading comprehension and skills.



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## Vocabulary/Grammar

- ❑ [NY Times Word Games and Logic Puzzles](#)
- ❑ Strengthen your vocabulary skills and make a global impact at the same time. For every correct vocabulary question answered [Free Rice](#) will donate 10 grains of rice to the UN world Food Programme
- ❑ Power Up your word play with [Knoword](#)

## Family Activities

1. **Book Clubs:** Start a family book club where each member picks a book to read and discuss together. Rotate who selects the book each week.
2. **Literary Movie Nights:** Choose film adaptations of classic literature or contemporary novels and discuss the differences between the book and the movie afterward.
3. **Creative Writing Prompts:** Create a jar filled with writing prompts and take turns drawing one each day. Set aside time for everyone to write and share their responses.
4. **Poetry Picnics:** Pack a picnic and head to a local park or beach. While enjoying the outdoors, take turns reading and discussing favorite poems or writing original ones inspired by nature.
5. **Library Visits:** Make regular trips to the local library to discover new books, attend author readings, or participate in writing workshops and book clubs hosted by the library.
6. **Literary Road Trips:** Plan day trips to literary landmarks, such as authors' homes, museums dedicated to literature, or locations featured in famous books.



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platforms offer courses tailored to different age groups and skill levels.

7. **Journaling:** Encourage everyone in the family to keep a summer journal. Set aside time each day for reflection and writing about experiences, thoughts, and feelings.

8. **Literature-Inspired Cooking:** Cook meals inspired by books or characters. For example, you could recreate dishes mentioned in a favorite novel or create a themed menu based on a literary genre.

9. **Theater Performances:** Attend local theater productions of classic plays or adaptations of beloved novels. Afterward, discuss the themes, characters, and interpretations.

10. **Literary Podcasts:** Listen to podcasts that discuss literature, author interviews, or storytelling. Afterwards, have a family discussion about the episodes and share thoughts and insights.

11. **Bookstore Scavenger Hunt:** Visit a bookstore and create a scavenger hunt based on different genres, authors, or book covers. Challenge each other to find specific books or items within the store.



# Middle and High School Social Studies Summer Learning Enrichment Resources 2024

[SC State Museum](#), Columbia, SC- Exhibits throughout the museum encourage exploration into Natural History and Social Studies. On June 8th, they are commemorating the 80th anniversary of D-Day with special events and a new exhibit.

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[iCivics](#)- offers free games, planners, and activities to motivate students to get involved in Civics and to learn more about Social Studies and Civics.

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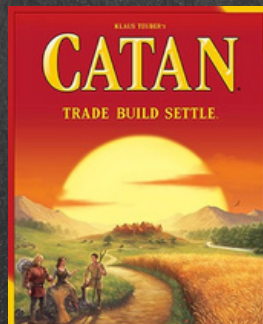
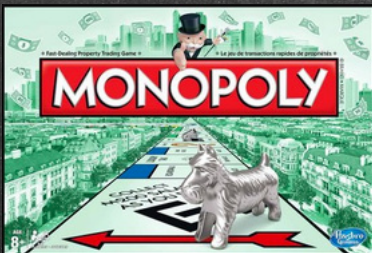
[Family Friendly Standards for Social Studies](#) - from the *SC Education Oversight Committee*. Explains what will be covered in Social Studies courses from 6th through 12th grade.

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## Games that Promote Social Studies and Critical Thinking

Did you know that board games can encourage and explore concepts related to Social Studies? Some of the following board games can be a fun way to incorporate fun and social studies into a family game night!

- **Monopoly** -Yes, the most sold board game in the US contains many different Social Studies themes. This game encourages the player to think about ideas related to economics. While playing the game, players encounter the concepts of rent, bankruptcy, taxes, and monopolies (where one business owns a whole type of business or service). After the game, talk with your student about how monopolies and rent impacted their experience in the game.
- **The Settlers of Catan** -Players learn about resources and how resources can impact a society's ability to advance and develop. All of these concepts relate to history and economics. After the game, talk with your student about how either an abundance of resources or lack of resources impacted their gaming experience.
- **Risk** -Incorporates geography and strategy into a game. Players learn about the interconnectedness of places on the world map while trying to expand their own empire. This game connects concepts related to world history and geography. After the game, talk with your student about how they think alliances, conflict, and territorial control can impact world history and events.



[Richland County Library](#)- Offers a plethora of free events throughout the Summer, fiction and non-fiction books, and apps that allow for the download of audiobooks, magazines, comics, and music. All you need is a Richland County Library card! Please note that events vary at each library location with most events occurring at the Main Library Campus in Downtown Columbia.

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**Discovery Education**- Students can access the resources through <https://classlink.richland2.org/> by logging in with their school email. Then, students will click on the Discovery Education app. The app offers the following:

- Virtual Field Trips
- Social Studies Games
- Social Studies Activities and Lessons



# Middle and High School Math Summer Learning Enrichment Resources 2024

- **MATH NATION** Get a head start on next year! See the information below about the Math Nation On-Ramp tools to get started!

## Flyers:

[On-Ramp to 6th Grade Math](#), [On-Ramp to 6th Grade Math \(Vietnamese\)](#), [On-Ramp to 6th Grade Math \(Spanish\)](#), [On-Ramp to Algebra](#), [On-Ramp to Algebra \(Vietnamese\)](#), [On-Ramp to Algebra \(Spanish\)](#), [SAT/ACT Prep Courses](#), [SAT/ACT Prep Courses \(Vietnamese\)](#), [SAT/ACT Prep Courses \(Spanish\)](#)

## Directions for accessing:

[Math Nation Access & Login](#), [Math Nation Access & Login \(Vietnamese\)](#), [Math Nation Access & Login \(Spanish\)](#)

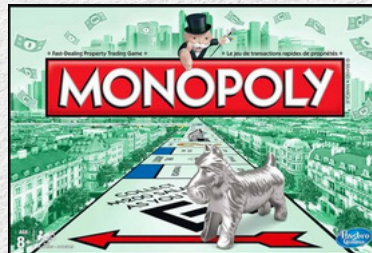
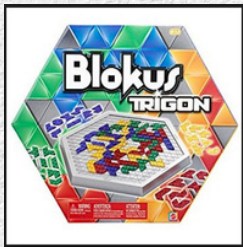
- [Summer Math BINGO](#)
- [Family Friendly Standards for Middle School Mathematics](#) - SC Education Oversight Committee

- **Games that Promote Mathematical Thinking**

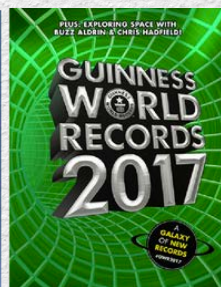
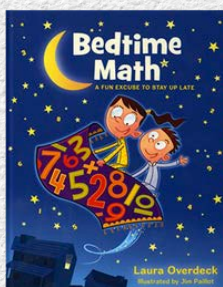
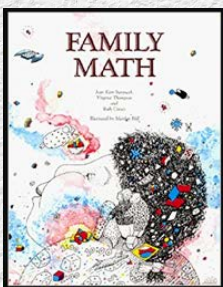
Do you have board games or playing cards around the house? Playing games such as these rely on skills necessary for math. These skills include counting, categorizing, building, logical reasoning, computing, spatial skills, recognizing patterns, etc.

Click on the link to find out how you might use playing cards to strengthen math skills.

<https://topnotchteaching.com/math/math-card-games/>



## Books and Stories



## Family Math Series:

Designed for parents to use at home to help their children with math - and to turn them on to math.

Includes lots of games that use materials easily found around the house.

## Bedtime Math Series:

Designed to show kids that math is in real-life everywhere - from pillow forts, table manners, and even underwear rotation.

## Guinness Book of World Records:

This book presents interesting real-life facts that interest students. Ask your student, "what do you notice?", and "what do you wonder?"

## Sporting Events

Review the link - there are simple ideas related to sports you can try with your child this summer!

## Grocery Store Games

Review the activities and questions for discussion - these can be done in the store or by using advertisements for grocery store items.



# 2024 Middle and High School Science Summer Learning Enrichment Resources

[Science & Technology | South Carolina State Museum](#)

[Summer Camps | South Carolina State Museum](#)

[USC youth summer camps 2024 - USC News & Events | University of South Carolina](#)

[Summer Camps | Irmo Chapin Recreation Commission, SC](#)

[Virtual STEAM Camps | Midlands Technical College](#)

[Summer Camp 2024 Registration - Blythewood](#)

Discovery Education - access through ClassLink with student account

(<https://launchpad.classlink.com/richlandtwo>).

- Lots of videos
- Current events
- Suggested activities

[Richland County Public Library STEAM Studio activities](#), at different library locations