

Practice all the skills you
learned this year with
these fun reading, writing
and math activities and be
ready for school when you
return!

REVIEW

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... Avoid the Summer slide!



What Is The Summer Slide and How to Avoid It!



The summer holidays are almost here. This is a perfect time to travel, relax, spend time with family and friends and unwind from a busy school year.

Many children however forget some of what they've learned or slip out of practice during the summer months causing what is known as the "summer slide" or summer learning loss. To avoid this, students should read, write and practice math often over the summer holiday.

At QISS, we care about your child's education and we want to help your child be ready for school and keep the skills taught throughout the year fresh and ready for the new school year.

The QISS Summer Review Pack has four parts: a reading log, IXL math login details, a writing activity and fun ideas and suggestions you can try and do this summer as a family.

Reading Log

Children who do not read over the summer could lose more than two months of reading achievement. To avoid this, encourage your child to read at least 20 minutes per day and to use the reading log to keep track of everything that is read.

Read together as a family, discuss characters, setting, problems and solutions. Read menus when you are in a restaurant, read the newspaper, magazines and many of the books found at Tumblebooks and RazKids.

Writing Activity

Writing is also very important to practice over the holiday. Each classroom teacher has developed a fun writing activity. Don't stop there! Give your child a summer journal to record thoughts, ideas, stories and whatever comes to mind. Have your child read back to you what they are writing about.

Math and IXL

Encourage your child to practice math at IXL and to keep the math skills fresh. Use math in every day situations like the supermarket, restaurants, cooking etc.

Happy summer holidays and thank you for your support!

See you in August,

Mr. Antonio

QISS Summer Reading Log

During this holiday, AVOID the summer slide and keep up with your reading skills. Keep a log of the books you read and bring this form back to school after the holiday. Read books on Razkids, Tumblebooks, chapter books, magazines, just READ, READ, READ! If you need more pages, go to your classroom website to find the link. Happy reading!

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Practice your math skills this holiday by using the game board feature of the IXL online program. Follow these steps:

- Log In to IXL
- Click on the Awards tab, on the top to access the game board feature.
- A question mark appears on a square telling you that a math challenge is ready. You may complete another
 grade level then your own if you wish. There is a drop down menu right above the game board from
 which to choose the grade level.
- Click on the square with the question mark and a pop-up will appear giving you a link for the math practice. The topic to be covered is indicated to you in the pop-up.
- When a challenge is completed, and a prize has been uncovered, there will now be a glowing square on the board
- Continue practicing to get better!

Other Math Fun Ideas you can Try to keep your Skills sharp and ready for School

- Spend time with brain teasers, puzzles or solving interesting problems. These will help develop logical
 thinking, which will help you big time! Do a Google search and have some fun. Why not make up your
 own?
- Estimation is one way to increase your number sense and help you tackle math problems in class. Estimate how many apples will fit inside a bowl. Estimate how many cherries are in a bag. Look around to find all the items you can estimate, then count afterwards to compare the actual number to the estimate. Is your answer reasonable?" How close were you? The more you practice the better you will get:
- The supermarket is an ideal place to use your math skills. If you had spend \$10.00 to spend, what could you buy? Would you have and change left over?
- Practice using a calculator
- The kitchen is a great place to practice math, as long as there's an adult home to supervise. How many tomatoes will you need to double the recipe for sauce? If you put 10 slices of mushroom on the pizza, can you put twice as many olive slice? How many is that? If there are three people in your family and 15 strawberries to divide equally among them, how many strawberries will each person get?
- Read math books!

Grade 2 Summer Writing

While on vacation this summer, you should all keep on writing! Continue with your weekend journals, and write about the best parts of your week. Write about somewhere you traveled to, the people you see and meet, and the food you eat! You can write in your journals as much as you want, but try to write at least once every week. Practice your spelling, grammar, punctuation, and using the 6+1 Traits of Writing!

Other Writing Ideas...

- Write a letter to your grandparents
- Write a story about your favorite sport
- Write a recipe
- Write a song or a poem
- Write a menu for dinner
- Write a joke and read it to someone
- Send a postcard to your Grade 3 teacher:

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100 Things to Do This Summer

□ bowling	meteor showers	magic show	visit grandparents
□ beach	wagon ride	ride bikes	breakfast for dinner
200	origami	potato stamps	flashcards
☐ fishing	photo booth	science day	cookies for friends
☐ blow bubbles	bean bag toss	farmer's market	cereal necklace
make lemonade	croquet	flea market	new playground
☐ finger paint	badminton	frisbee	homemade pasta
□ water fight	lizard shop	relays	bbq w/friends
make popsicles	ball pit	art project	handprint art
☐ treasure hunt	box cars	feed ducks	tour fire station
swim	"drive in movie"	watercolor	play tennis
□ piñata	hopscotch	make cards	sleep in tent
☐ bird watching	pienie	movie night	twister
reading party	kids plan dinner	soccer	play post office
☐ dollar movies	fireworks	pillow fort	build with tools
peculiar F Party	parade	3-legged race	craft night
□ telescope	obstacle course	caramel popcorn	pillow fight
□ splash park	game night	pull taffy	block tower
□ cookout	catch bugs	make a movie	card games
□ hike	fly kites	mini golf	factory tour
nature center	make shirts	sprinklers	make pizza
□ planetarium	paper airplanes	apple sauce	dress-ups
make ice cream	play dough	sandcastle	service project
□ visit a farm	library	model plane	balloon animals
sidewalk chalk	write a book	make robot	aquatic center