



Addressing The Summer Slump

Research on the summer slide and summer reading

[LINK](#)

Look at the recent New Zealand and overseas research into students' reading loss over the long summer break. Use the research findings to provide inspiration and practical ideas for planning a summer reading initiative for your school.

▶ [The summer reading slide — what the research says](#)

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▶ [Barriers to summer reading](#)

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▶ [New Zealand research on summer reading](#)

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▶ [International research on summer reading](#)

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The Evidence is Clear

Children do forget skills and knowledge learned in the previous school year.

But if families and educators encourage kids to stay engaged in learning throughout the summer, students may not only maintain, but improve their knowledge.

Reference: [Summer Slump- Do Kids Backslide During Summer Holidays](#)



Early learning

0-6 years old



Primary school

5 - 12 years old



Secondary school

13-19 years old

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Ideas to help with reading, writing and maths

You can help your child's learning every day, by supporting and encouraging them and being excited by their learning. Here are some ideas to keep them developing their literacy and numeracy skills at home. Have a look at the year group for your child and have fun.

6 Ideas to Prevent the Summer Slide

[Web Resource](#)

Tip #1: Learn and Create on YouTube

Tip #2: Create Video Stories

Tip #3: Coding

Tip #4: Read with an eLibrary

Tip #5: Measure, Cook, Yum!

Tip #6: Keep Your Eyes Open

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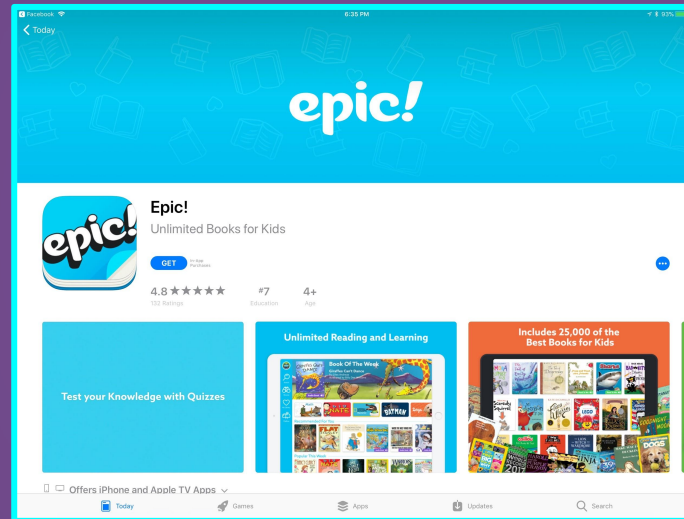
EPIC READING

- [Website](#)
- [iPad App](#)
- [Android App](#)

Free for parents
for first month

Free for
teachers

\$7.99US per
month after that



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Local libraries

Check out Christchurch City Libraries'

Summertime Reading Club

Kōrero pukapuka ā te wā o raumati



STAMP, TICK or STICKER at least 5 circles to be in the draw

WILD
about reading

- Read a book
- Read a movie
- Read an eBook
- Read a magazine/eMagazine
- Read somewhere wild
- Be read to
- Listen to an audiobook/podcast
- Read to someone/your pet

Prizes include Orana Wildlife Park Passes!

Name:
Contact:
Age:
Favourite Library:
School (if applicable):



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The Reading Agency (UK)

Summertime Reading Challenge

Children's reading can 'dip' during the long summer holidays. The annual Summer Reading Challenge helps get three quarters of a million children into libraries each year to keep up their reading skills and confidence.



...because everything changes when we read

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Wonderopolis



Still my favourite site for kids to go and read about what fascinates them. A mix of images, video and text in a short snappy format will reel them in and get them reading and wondering.

Looking to extend their reading? Use your local library or an online search to find more reading content about wonders that appeal to them.


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Reading bingo

Use a reading tracker or reading bingo sheet like this free one from [Two can do it](#) to encourage a range of reading over the summer.

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Read a poem to mom or dad.	Listen to mom or dad read a story.	Go to the library with mom or dad and pick out books to read at home.	Read a story and tell mom or dad about the main characters.	Turn out the lights and read a story by flashlight.
Listen to mom or dad tell a story about something they remember about school.	Read a story with mom or dad. Make a connection to a character in the story.	Read a story. Tell mom or dad about the setting.	Select a book. You read a page and mom or dad reads a page. Take turns throughout the book.	Read two pages in a book to mom or dad with great expression!
You read a story. Think of 2 words to describe the story.	Listen to mom or dad make a prediction about a story you are reading.	 free	Read a story together. Decide on a new title for the story.	Read a book with mom or dad. Each tells what they like about the book.
Read a non-fiction story together. Share 2 facts that you learned.	Make up a story when you are riding in the car with mom or dad.	Read a story together. Have mom or dad think of 2 words to describe the story.	Have mom or dad read a newspaper article to you. You tell about the article in your own words.	Read a story by yourself.
Tell mom and dad a prediction about a story before you start to read.	Read a story and tell mom or dad about the main characters.	Read a story. Talk with mom or dad about the illustrations.	Help mom or dad write a grocery list.	Listen to mom or dad tell about something that happened to them. You retell the story in your own words.

TwoCanDoIt.com and ReadingOverTime.net

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Mindlab Kids

A promotional banner for Mindlab Kids. At the top, there are three icons: a clapperboard with a play button labeled 'CHALLENGES', the 'MINDLAB KIDS' logo, and a lightbulb labeled 'RESPONSES'. Below these is a photograph of a child's hands working on a small robot. Overlaid on the photo is the text 'Searching for an endless supply of cool, kid-friendly, home experiments? You've found it!' and a paragraph describing the website as a place for fun, home-based challenges. At the bottom, a green button says 'Sign up your kids, it's free!'.

CHALLENGES

MINDLAB KIDS

RESPONSES

Searching for an endless supply of cool, kid-friendly, home experiments? You've found it!

An educational website featuring an ever-growing collection of fun, home-based challenges. Perfect for young makers, doers, thinkers and tinkerers.

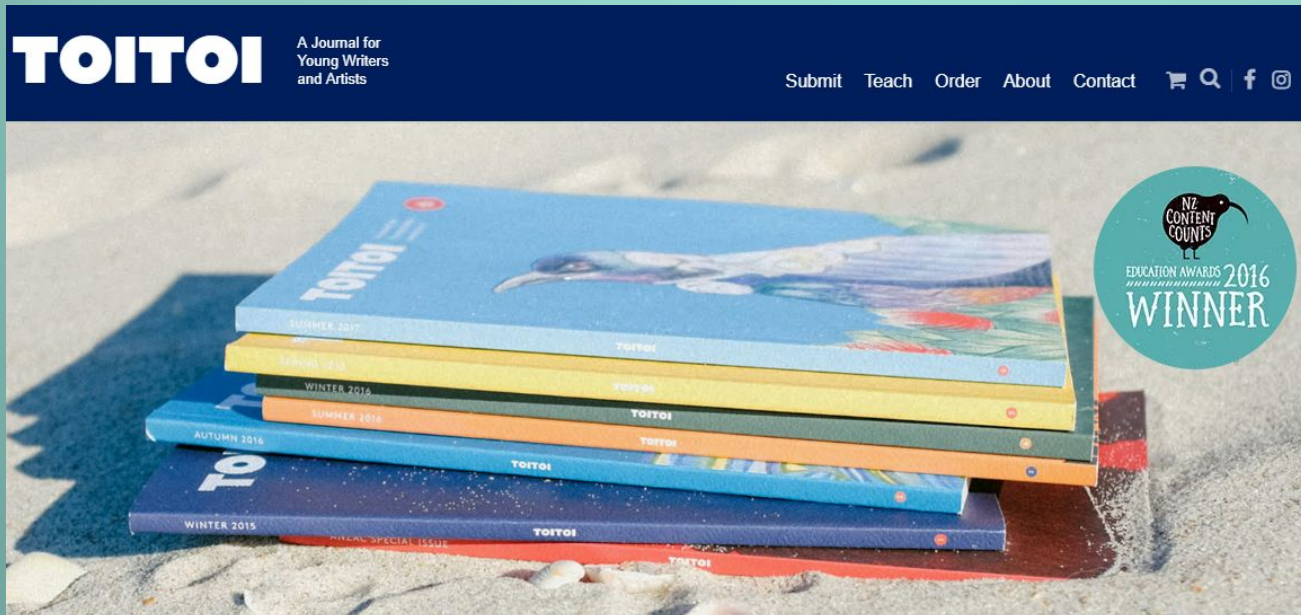
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Support your child to become a published author

Support your child to have their writing and/or art published! Toitoe is a quarterly published New Zealand journal, featuring the writing and art of young New Zealanders. The website has all the details you need to submit your child's work.

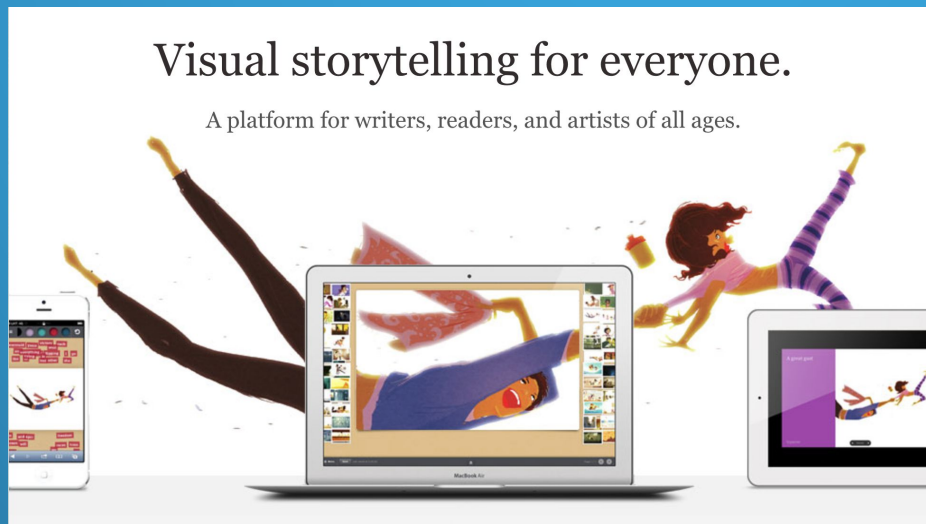


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Storybird for Writers

This is a fun one for writing. You child can select some artwork, decide on the number of pages and then write a story to go with the images they've chosen.

They can then submit their story for others to read.



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Explorer HQ

A fun [site](#) full of missions to complete by exploring your neighbourhood. Work towards certain badges by completing enough missions or challenge your friends to collect the most missions, badges or currents.



Spot the difference

Investigate the statues in a place. How are men and women differently represented? Share a photo of the most typical statue you...



Change your character

Make a mask and go on an adventure. When you put on the mask change your character, your point of view and your feelings to match the...



Twig something

Use twigs to write a poem about twigs.



Capture birds

Take a photo with as many birds as possible in it. Type the total amount of birds onto the photo and share it with us.

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Scratch

Create stories, games, and animations
Share with others around the world



Read a story together then use Scratch to code a scene from the story, or to show what a character might do next.

Read the instructions on someone else's project and see if you can code it too.

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Story Speaker

Write your story - there are templates you can follow or write your own- and then interact with your writing to make choices about how the story unfolds.

Can be played back inside the google doc.



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