

Third Grade Updates

"Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated." – R Collier

SMES Week 37 & 38

May 16, 2022



ABC COUNTDOWN TO SUMMER!

		A 4/20 Animals Dress as your favorite animal.	B 4/21 Buddy Day Build a buddy in your class.	C 4/22 Crayon Day Master a new color.	D 4/23 Dance Day Dance to your favorite song.
E 4/26 Exercise Day Exercise for 10 minutes.	F 4/27 Fairy Tale Day Dress as your favorite fairy tale character.	G 4/28 Games Day Bring a board game to play.	H 4/29 Homeschool Day Homeschool in your classroom.	I 5/2 Investigation Day What is a mystery? It's a mystery!	J 5/3 Joke Day Share a joke.
K 5/4 Kindness Day Do a kindness for someone.	L 5/5 Lights Out Day Bring a flashlight and read a book.	M 5/6 Math Day Put your math skills to the test.	N 5/9 Nature Day Enjoy and explore nature around us.	O 5/10 Occupation Day Talk about your future career.	P 5/11 Pajama Day Wear your pajamas.
Q 5/12 Question Day Ask a question.	R 5/13 Rockstar Day Dress as your favorite rockstar.	S 5/16 Silly Sock Day Wear your silliest socks.	T 5/17 Thank You Day Express gratitude to others.	U 5/18 USA Day Wear red, white & blue.	V 5/19 Voila We will take turns sharing magic tricks.
W 5/20 Wall to wall cleaning Help your teacher clean the classroom.	X 5/23 eXcited to celebrate Exchange autographs.	Y 5/24 Year End Celebrate the end of the year.	Z 5/25 Zero More Days! Zip up your backpacks and zoom out of school!		



Monday, May 16th

Tuesday, May 17th

Math Review online

Wednesday, May 18th

Math Test

Thursday, May 19th

Module 12 Reading Test

Friday, May 20th

Mad Minute (Ice Cream Party)

NEXT WEEK

Wednesday, May 25th

Student's Last Day

Prevent the Summer Slide



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months of reading skills are **lost** over the summer.

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weeks in the fall are spent **re-learning** old material.

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months of math skills are **lost** over the summer.

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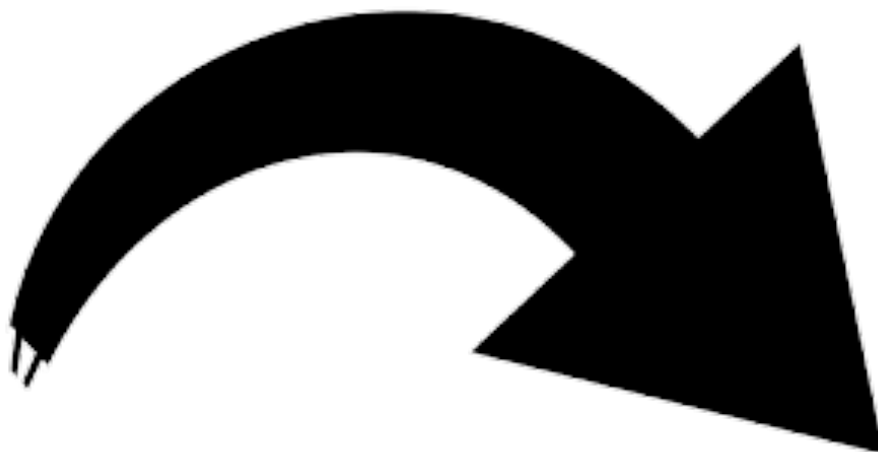
hours per week are needed to **prevent** summer learning loss.



the summer skills are **lost** over months of math

summer learning loss: needed to **prevent** hours per week are

Keep reading for ways to prevent summer slide.



Family support boosts learning, and Lexia is here to help. Try these fun games and activities to reinforce and build your reader's literacy skills from home.



Get Moving

Exercise for mind and body! Write some prefixes – word parts that come at the beginning of a word – on the ground with chalk. Have your reader jump to each prefix, read it aloud, and name a word that begins with the prefix. Bonus points for using the word in a sentence!

Here are some common prefixes to try:

con-	mis-	pre-	sub-
dis-	multi-	pro-	trans-
ex-	non-	re-	un-

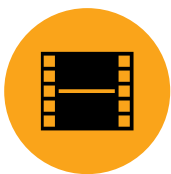


Photo Booth

Support your reader's understanding of story structure with this fun photo-taking activity. Talk about a familiar story, taking time to review these key elements:

- setting** – where/when the story happens
- characters** – people or animals in the story
- problem** – what motivates the characters
- major events** – what happens in the story
- solution** – how the problem is fixed

Have kids create their own story by taking photos to show the setting, characters, and major events. Then, look at the pictures together, and listen as they tell the story. For an extra challenge, urge them to write it down to make a mini book.



Act It Out

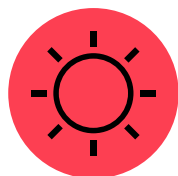
Nouns. Verbs. Adjectives. It's grammar time! Knowing parts of speech not only helps kids become stronger readers, but also helps them become better writers.

Make grammar fun for your reader by playing charades with these words – or think of your own! To be correct, players need to guess the part of speech as well as the word itself.

Nouns: firefighter, elephant, snake, tree, artist, monster, scissors, baby, teacher, dog



Verbs: swim, eat, run, climb, read, sneeze, cry, sleep, dance, trip, paint, stomp, spin

Adjectives: hungry, tiny, excited, heavy, tired, hot, cold, surprised, scared, strong



Summer Reading Bingo Challenge

Your reader can boost their literacy skills all summer long with these fun activities. Have them go for five in a row, or try to fill the whole board!

<p>Research your favorite animal. Draw a picture of the animal and its habitat. Then, list five new facts you learned.</p>	<p>Go on a grammar scavenger hunt. In a book you're reading, find and list ten nouns, ten verbs, and ten adjectives.</p>	<p>Find a poem you like, and practice reading it aloud. Then, create a beat to go with it. (Try tapping a pencil on a table!) Record yourself reading the poem in rhythm to the beat.</p>	<p>Interview friends and family members about their favorite books. Ask them to tell you what each book is about and what they like about it.</p>	<p>Read two books by the same author. Draw a Venn diagram to show what is similar and what is different.</p> 
<p>In a book you're reading, find five words you don't know. Try to figure out the meaning by looking for clues in the words around it. Then, use a dictionary to check your guesses.</p>	<p>Read a biography or an autobiography. List three facts you learned from the book.</p>	<p>Record a video to show how to make a craft, learn a skill, or play a game. Use words like <i>first</i>, <i>next</i>, <i>while</i>, <i>then</i>, <i>before</i>, <i>now</i>, and <i>finally</i> as you explain what to do.</p>	<p>Some prefixes are related to numbers. Write at least one word for each of these prefixes: <i>uni-</i> (one), <i>bi-</i> (two), <i>tri-</i> (three), <i>quad-</i> (four), <i>quint-</i> (five), and <i>centi-</i> (hundred).</p>	<p>Draw a map that shows the setting in a book you're reading. Add details from the book or from your imagination.</p>
<p><i>Complex</i>, <i>challenging</i>, <i>elegant</i>, <i>beneficial</i>, and <i>flexible</i> are all describing words. Go on a scavenger hunt for items or pictures that fit each description!</p>	<p>Record yourself reading a chapter of a book. Practice first to make your voice sound natural as you read. Share your recording with a younger friend or family member.</p>	<p>FREE</p>  <p>SPACE</p>	<p>Read a new book, and write a review. Describe what you liked and what you didn't like. Share your review with a friend or family member.</p>	<p>There are three ways to pronounce the suffix <i>-ed</i>: /ed/ as in <i>rented</i>, /d/ as in <i>sailed</i>, and /t/ as in <i>jumped</i>. In a book you're reading, find five examples of each sound of <i>-ed</i>.</p>
<p>Go on a prefix scavenger hunt. Take a book, and try to find at least one word that begins with each of these prefixes: <i>pro-</i>, <i>multi-</i>, <i>sub-</i>, <i>trans-</i>, and <i>con-</i>.</p>	<p>Tell a story by taking photos to show the setting, the characters, and the major events. Share the photos and your story with a friend or family member.</p>	<p>Read a science fiction or fantasy book. Describe a character who reminds you of someone you know or a scene from the book that reminds you of something in your life.</p>	<p>Find an example of each of these text features: a table of contents, an index, a glossary, a labeled diagram, a captioned photo, a heading, and a subheading.</p>	<p>Read about another part of the world. Create a travel brochure with facts and information, including interesting sights, fun activities, and delicious foods.</p>
<p>Read two informational articles on the same topic. List the important details that are included in both texts.</p>	<p>Draw a picture of yourself standing next to a book character. Label details in the picture to show how you and the character are the same and how you are different.</p>	<p>Write to your favorite author. Share what you like about their books. Ask a question or suggest an idea for a new book.</p>	<p>Use the letters in <i>Summer Reading Bingo</i> to make as many smaller words as you can.</p>	<p>Go on a suffix scavenger hunt. Take a book, and try to find at least one word that ends with each of these suffixes: <i>-able</i>, <i>-tion</i>, <i>-ous</i>, <i>-ture</i>, and <i>-ive</i>.</p>

Summer MATH

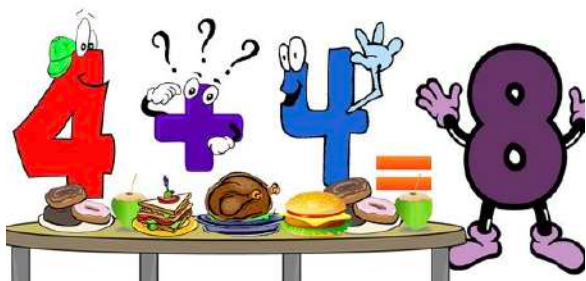
Summer Math Intensive Series: Rising 4th Graders

For rising 4th graders, the G3 Summer Intensive Series focuses on multiplication and division, which is key to their success in later grades.

Content for Rising 4th Graders: 37 Total Lessons

Mission	Mission Title	Standards	Lessons	Topics
G3M3	<p>Multiply and Divide Tricky Numbers</p> <p>This Mission extends multiplication and division to all factors between 0 and 10. Students work deeply with the commutative, distributive, and associative properties, and they'll have problem-solving opportunities at the close of each topic.</p>	<p>3.OA.1 3.OA.2 3.OA.3 3.OA.4 3.OA.5 3.OA.6 3.OA.7 3.OA.8 3.OA.9 3.NBT.3</p>	21	<p>Topic A: The Properties of Multiplication and Division</p> <p>Topic B: Multiplication and Division Using Units of 6 and 7</p> <p>Topic C: Multiplication and Division Using Units up to 8</p> <p>Topic D: Multiplication and Division Using Units of 9</p> <p>Topic E: Analysis of Patterns and Problem Solving Including Units of 0 and 1</p> <p>Topic F: Multiplication of Single-Digit Factors and Multiples of 10</p>

Why didn't the two 4's feel like dinner?
Because they already 8.



HA HA HA!

At Zearn, we believe that Summer 2022 is an important opportunity to accelerate our collective work to help all students catch-up and move forward with their learning.

Introducing Zearn Summer 2022 Math Intensive Series

Zearn's Summer 2022 Intensive Series are designed based on learnings of the over 8.5B math problems completed on our math platform: where students struggle and the specific foundational support that kids need to access grade-level math content. During the academic year, we identify and recommend these foundational lessons to teachers so they can be used for deeper interventions. Our Summer Series pulls-forward these recommendations into coherent summer math experiences. Each Summer 2022 Intensive Series offers coherent, focused 4-week sequences that build the strong foundations all rising 1st through 9th graders need to move forward during the 22-23 academic year.

Comprehensive materials for 4-6 week programs

Each Series consists of top-rated materials that can be used flexibly across summer programs:

- **Daily digital math lessons** offer a consistent structure of learning activities, designed to accelerate learning by integrating unfinished learning into the context of new learning. Students explore new concepts with real on-screen teachers, visualization of every math concept, interactive problem solving, and guided paper-and-pencil Student Notes.
- **Materials for hands-on problem solving** offer teachers and tutors daily application problems they can use to facilitate lively math discussions where students explore different ways to solve problems, unlocking creativity and joy with math.
- **Real-time reports on student learning** provide visibility into student learning and where students need additional support to move forward in their learning.

Focused on the big ideas of math

Each Summer 2022 Math Intensive Series deeply explores the big ideas of math to build the dense connections students need during the upcoming school year. In younger grades, students explore one big idea, like addition and subtraction. In older grades, students tackle longer sequences covering a few big ideas, building a strong foundation in critical capstone content that they will need for success in later grades.

Recommended Usage: In each 4-6 week program, rising 1st through 3rd graders should complete 1 lesson each day (~30 minutes). Rising 4th graders through rising 9th graders should double up on lessons, completing 2 lessons each day (~60 minutes) throughout the summer program.

Explore the content of Zearn Summer 2022 Math Intensive Series on the following pages.

Questions you may have...

Where do I find Zearn?

On myPascoconnect



What about Lexia ?

On myPascoconnect



Will my child have access to Zearn and Lexia over the summer?

Yes

Who can I call if I have questions about summer reading and math regarding Zearn and Lexia?

The front office ask for Mrs. Beck.

Mad Minute

Dear Families,

April 29th, 2022

In 3rd grade, it is an end of the year expectation for students to be fluent with all of their multiplication facts through 10 and know them quickly and accurately. In our experience, students who do not know the times tables will struggle with math in the years to come.

We are practicing multiplication fluency every day in class. You can help support your child's learning by having your child practice multiplication facts at home. There are many ways to study times tables. Try some of the following:

- Xtramath.org
- Traditional flashcards
- Online flashcards at www.mathfactcafe.com
- Reciting times tables aloud (Try singing to the tune of Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star.)
- Card games such as Multiplication War (<http://letsplaymath.net/2006/12/29/the-game-that-is-worth-1000-worksheets/>)
- Online games at <http://www.fun4thebrain.com/mult.html>. (Google search multiplication facts practice for more ideas.)
- Electronic games available at most department stores

We are excited to announce the start of our annual Multiplication Facts Contest! Beginning **May 2nd**, children will compete against themselves to earn 100% on timed multiplication drills in class. Successes will be tracked and celebrated weekly. Students will have until **May 20th** to take and pass their timed drills. Each level passed (2's, 3's, etc.) will earn an ingredient/ material for the ice cream celebration. Our celebration will take place on **May 20th**.

Please support your child's learning at home and include daily drills or review of math facts to your child's homework routine.

Thank you for partnering with us to help your child be successful.

Thank you,
The Third Grade Team





Reading: The students will research about plants and animals to create their zoo.

Math: The students will review math skills.

Science: The students will build their zoo.

Writing: The students will write informative/ explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.



Third-grade FSA reading scores

The FSA is a state-wide assessment and the tests are sent to Tallahassee to be graded. We are *hoping* that we have the reading test results by the end of the school year! If you have any questions, please reach out to the front office.



Reading Tips

What does the story mean?

Stop at natural breaks in the story and ask questions.
Avoid questions with "yes" or "no" answers.

Instead, ask questions such as:

- What do you think will happen next?
- Which character in the story did you like the best? Why?
- What was the setting of the story?
- Who was telling the story?
- What was the most exciting part of the story?
- Retell the story in your own words.
- What was the funniest, saddest, or scariest part of the story?

Thank you so much for your support at home. :)



Resources to help your child at home

- * Freckle
- * Lexia Core 5
- * Read a book with someone.

Information for Parents

We are excited to share webpages that have been created to help parents access important information.

[Navigating Elementary School](#)

[Sanders Memorial Elementary](#)

[Pasco County Schools](#)

HAPPY
SUMMER
VACATION!

We'll
Miss You