

A List of Summer Reading Programs for Kids That Give Free Books, Money and More

Updated for summer reading 2011!

Summer reading programs are a great way to encourage your child to read over the summer months. So why not give them a little incentive to really get into that summer reading? Especially if those incentives are some great kid freebies!

Below you'll find a list of summer reading programs that will get your kids free stuff like free books, money, gift cards, movies, and more.

Between these summer reading programs and [free summer movies](#), your kids will be very busy this summer!

[1. Barnes and Noble Summer Reading Program 2011: Imagination's Destination](#)



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The Barnes and Noble summer reading program gives out a free book to each child who reads 8 books over the summer.

This program is great because the child gets to choose what book they want from a big list of titles. Also part of the program is parent activities that can be used to encourage children to read.

[2. Borders Summer Reading Program 2011: Double-Dog Dare Challenge](#)



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The Borders summer reading program gives out free books to children as well. After kids read 10 books, they're eligible to choose a book from the list of free books.

The free books on the Borders summer reading list include *Danny and the Dinosaur*, *The Cat in the Hat* and *Ramona the Brave*. Click the link above for a complete list.

[3. Half Price Books Summer Reading Program 2011: Feed Your Brain](#)



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Half Price Books gives out free gift cards to kids who read books this summer.

When kids read for 600 minutes during June and July, they'll get a free \$5 gift card to Half Price Books. One lucky kid in each age group and store will get a \$20 gift card.

4. TD Bank Summer Reading Program 2011



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When your child completes the TD Bank summer reading program, they'll get \$10 free! Kids will need to read 10 books and have a new or existing Young Savers account at a TD Bank to get this deal.

5. National Amusements Summer Reading Program 2011: Bookworm Wednesdays



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For each book kids read and write a book report over, they'll get to see a movie at a National Amusements movie theater for free. The movies are at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesdays this summer and adults and younger siblings will get in free as well.

6. Chuck E. Cheese Reading Rewards



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Chuck E. Cheese has a summer reading program where kids can earn free 10 Chuck E. Cheese tokens for reading each day for 2 weeks.

7. Public Library Summer Reading Programs



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Some of the best summer reading programs are at your local public library. Every public library has a different summer reading program but almost all of them have rewards and prizes for kids as well as fun events.

More Summer Freebies for Kids

- [Free Summer Movie Tickets](#)
- [Free Summer Craft Classes](#)
- [Free Classes for Kids at Lowe's](#)

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- [Free Books for Kids](#)