

# Summer 2013 Preview

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Boy, are we excited for summer! We've reconnected with our Uncle Seymour, who we haven't spoken to in a gerbil's age. He's got quite the around-the-world trip planned for this summer, and we gerbils have been following his travels, which he's posting on Instagram. He's found the perfect way to travel around the world for free... hide in people's carry-ons (which are PERFECTLY sized for gerbils, and usually full of snacks!).

If you aren't **really** traveling around the world this summer (because you are likely too big to fit in carry-ons like our Uncle Seymour), remember you can always travel by reading! The library, our favorite place in the whole world, has *tons* of books with stories that can jet you off to far-away places in just a few pages!

The Summer Reading theme this year is "[Have Book, Will Travel](#)". You read books or e-books, then come in and talk to a librarian about the book you read! Depending on how old you are, you earn different kinds of prizes! You can also participate online, if you want to report that way as well, or if you are *actually* traveling this summer & won't be able to visit the library. It starts on **June 3 and runs to July 27**.



**Readers under 3 and their caregivers** can share books, sing songs, and do other fun library and learning activities with each other to earn prizes and decorate a train to be displayed in the Inger Boye room. Complete all the talking, singing, reading, writing, and playing activities to earn a grand prize raffle ticket! Come to the Youth Services Desk to register and pick up a reading log.



**For preschool Summer Readers** aged [3 to 5](#), every book reported on in the library and online gives you a chance to pick a prize from our treasure chest!



**For grade school Summer Readers** entering [Kindergarten through 5th grade](#), every book reported on in the library gives you a chance to pull a travel postcard out of a suitcase. On the postcard, the number 2, 3, or 4 will be written - and that's the number of tokens you get for reporting on your book. If you read a *longer* book, you earn bonus tokens. Every book reported online earns you two tokens. Come in to the library to trade your tokens in for [prizes](#)! We've got food certificates from local restaurants, toys, jewelry, movie tickets, puzzles, and much more! You can also donate your tokens to this year's charity, which is Heifer International. You can report once per day online and once per day in person.



**For middle school Summer Readers** entering [6th through 9th grade](#), every book reported on in the library earns you 1 mile per page. Every book you report online earns 50 miles. Rack up your miles to spend on unbelievable [prizes](#)! You can report once per day online and once per day in person.

We have many great programs lined up for the summer, too. Check this [online booklet](#) for all the great program info!

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