

Discovery Guide

**FIND YOUR
VOICE!**



SUMMER READING 2023

IT'S FOR YOU!



Quincy Public Library

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JUNE 3 - JULY 29

FIND YOUR VOICE!



This summer, **FIND YOUR VOICE** with QPL! Our voices include the sounds we make, the words we write, the art we create, the movements we perform, and the actions we take.

Make reading fun for all ages by enjoying what YOU like: books, magazines, newspapers, graphic novels, audiobooks, or picture books! However you read - being read to, reading to someone, or reading on your own - all reading counts.

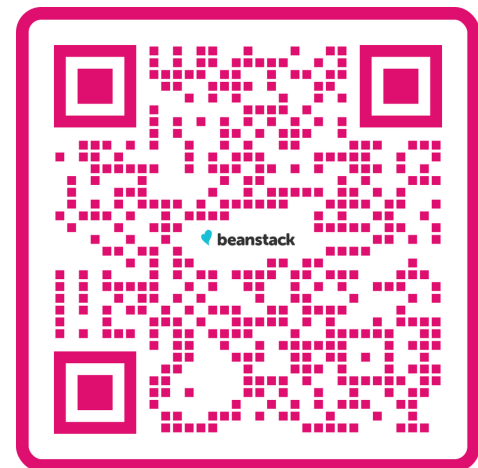
How does it work?

Sign up in Beanstack* on or after June 3.

Log the minutes you read to unlock the prize level(s).

Once you unlock the prize level(s), come to the library and pick up your reward for reading!

*paper logs available at QPL



Challenges!

KIDS

8 hrs: Treasure chest prize

14 hrs: Children's book

20 hrs: \$5 Gift card

*every odd hour of reading earns you 1 entry for the raffle prizes!

TEENS

10 hrs: Young adult book

20 hrs: Popp'n on Maine \$10 gift card

30 hrs: Electric Fountain Brewing Co. \$10 Gift card

ADULTS

2 hrs: Magnetic bookmark

6 hrs: Book-It & Beer ticket

30 hrs: 10 bonus raffle tickets

*every even hour of reading earns you a raffle ticket for prize baskets!

FOR ADULTS



Change our Language, Change our Politics: IL Road Scholar

Lecture | June 6 | 6PM - 7:30PM

Ted Williams III joins us to educate on how to find our voice via the language we use in our social justice causes: when speaking to our representatives, when running for office, and when fighting for equality.

Getting Schooled: Community Conversations on Education

Lecture; Q&A | June 10 | 1PM - 3PM

In celebration of Juneteenth, QPL is offering conversations around sharing and telling more than one story when educating. How do you, as parents and educators, talk about Juneteenth and what it stands for? Learn from a QPS teacher about a model that was effective in her K-5 classroom. Followed by a Q&A.

Come Write In with NaNoWriMo

DIY | June 15 & July 26 | 6PM - 7:30PM



Want to find and use your writing voice? QPL has partnered with NaNoWriMo as a host location and writer's meet-up spot! Come write with us at QPL in person or online via Zoom if you register.

Storytelling for Civic Pride: There's More Here

Lecture | June 22 | 6PM - 7:30PM

Laura Sievert, MPA, is the Executive Director of Arts Quincy and also an Illinois Humanities Road scholar.

Join us at QPL to hear Laura discuss how we can use our voices to tell our stories as a community to bring about growth and progress.



Find your Style with Chris from 644 Maine!

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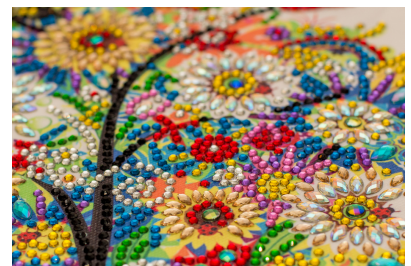


Diamond Painting at QPL!

DIY | June 27 | 6PM - 7:30PM

Stretch your voice by trying a new art style! Register to try the art craze, diamond painting! Diamond painting is a craft hobby that's a mix between paint by numbers and cross stitch.

Space and supplies are limited to 30.



Living Room Conversations: Find the Style of Your Voice!

Q&A | June 29 | 5:30PM - 7:30PM

Everyone has a voice and a style of using that voice. How does one go about finding their artistic expression? QPL has done the work for you! In a collaboration with local artists, come and have one-on-one conversation with them to learn if their artistic expression is right for you! For a full list of experts visit the website.

Living Room Conversations: Finding Your Voice: How to Advocate for Yourself

Q&A | July 6 | 5:30PM - 7:30PM

Everyone has a voice, but some feel powerless to use it, or may not be knowledgeable of resources that strengthen it. In a collaboration with a number of Quincy organizations, QPL has arranged an opportunity for you to have one-on-one conversation with people and organizations' resources! For a full list of experts visit the website.



Rock Painting Workshop: Voicing Kindness

DIY | July 8 | 1PM - 3PM

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Vote Your Voice: The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU): Using Your Voice to Produce Change

Lecture | July 20 | 6PM - 7:30PM

The ACLU has long used its voice to protect civil liberties and enact change for almost 100 years. Join us at QPL and learn what the ACLU does, what they stand for, their recent struggles, and how you can use your vote and voice in the fight for equity for all.

Voice Your You! With Comfort Comedy

Comedy | July 21 | 7PM - 9:30PM

QPL welcomes David Graham of Comfort Comedy. Join us at State Street Theatre and laugh away all of your stress as David tells you how he found his voice through comedy-- and how you can find yours, too!



Legally Speaking: Using Your Voice Though the Law

Lecture | July 25 | 6PM - 7:30PM

The law can be complicated, and some people are afraid to (or don't know how to) use their voices when it comes to the law. QPL, in partnership with Land of Lincoln Legal Aid, is offering this program to help you learn what your rights are, expand access to legal knowledge and help, and use your voice not only for self-advocacy, but for a better quality of life.



Breaking Barriers to Justice

Using Your Voice & Self-Publishing: Local Author Book Signing & Talks of Self-Publishing

Lecture | July 27 | 6PM - 7:30PM

In writing, you not only use your voice to tell stories, but you can also use your voice to self-publish. Join us at QPL and listen to a reading excerpt from Ted Ridder's humorous book *A Reluctant Lieutenant at Bitburg Air Base*, hear Ted talk about the process of self-publishing, and then purchase a copy of the book, (if you choose) and get it signed by the author!

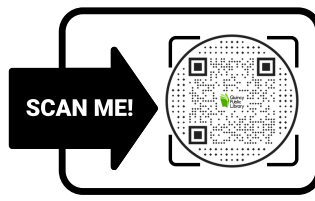
Your Voice, Your Vision: Vision Board Workshop

DIY | July 29 | 1PM - 3PM

Did you know that using a vision board significantly increases your chances of attaining your goals?

At the workshop, learn how to identify specific goals for your future and how to voice your dreams and goals in a visual way. All supplies provided; however, if you have a favorite quote(s) or personal photos we advise you bring them.

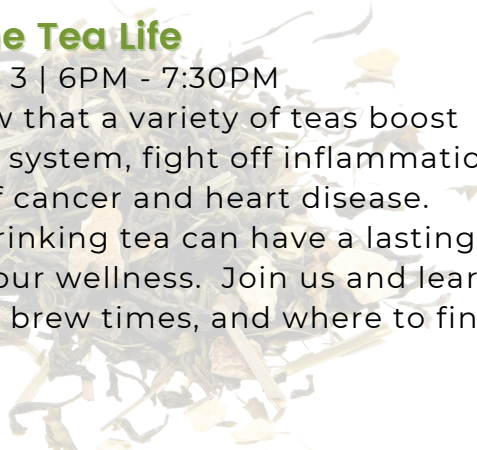




FOR ADULTS

Taste of the Tea Life

DIY | August 3 | 6PM - 7:30PM
Studies show that a variety of teas boost the immune system, fight off inflammation, and ward off cancer and heart disease. Regularly drinking tea can have a lasting impact on your wellness. Join us and learn tea benefits, brew times, and where to find them.



Crop Swap!

DIY | August 26 | 10AM - 12PM
Do you have corn coming out of your ears? Or more tomatoes than you know what to do with? Come to QPL's Crop Swap! Bring your extras, set-up a table, and go home with different extras! Anything you grew, tended, and raised come trade it for something new!



Bringing Women's History Forward: Influential Women in the Area

Lecture | August 24 | 6PM - 7:30PM
In honor of Women's Equality Day, QPL, in partnership with the Quincy Museum, is Bringing Women's History Forward! Come learn the details of influential women in history: one local to Quincy and another local to the Tri-State area! Seemingly small people can end up having a big impact.



Craft Time: Book Earring and Necklace Making

DIY | August 31 | 6PM - 7:30PM
Love books? Love unique jewelry? Join us at QPL and learn how to make earrings and necklaces with actual books on them! Supplies and space are limited.

Story Walk History Trail

Drop-in | June | Available during QPL operating hours
Walk with us! Come to the Library, walk its perimeter, stop where signs are and read a bit of history at each stop! By the time you are finished, you will have read a piece of history, and added .23 miles of walking to your day!



June 3 - 17
Celebrating PRIDE: An Equal Rights History Trail

June 19 - June 30
Celebrating Juneteenth: A Civil Rights Trail



The Voices of Quincy, Part 1 : The Eternal Tale

Drop-in | June - July | Available during QPL hours
Quincy Public Library presents an eternal story! We will provide a story starter, and members of the community will use their voice to add to the story. Stop by the library, pull up a chair, read and get to write our next chapter.

The Voices of Quincy, Part 2 : A Quincy Zine

Drop-in | June - July | Available during QPL operating hours
Have you ever wanted to see your creative work in print? If so submit your work to the Quincy Public Library Community Zine: The Voices of Quincy. Bring your paper artwork, poetry, photos of sculptures, paintings, poems, and short stories to the library during the submission period. At the end of the submission period, we will assemble Quincy's voices into a community zine that will be accessible via online, once it is completed! Anonymous submissions accepted.



BOOK CLUBS & DISCUSSIONS

Book Clubs

Bookies Book Club

Wednesdays | 1 - 2:30 pm | In-person

<i>The Readers of Broken Wheel Recommend</i>	June 7
<i>White Collar Girl</i>	July 5
<i>The Man Who Loved Books Too Much</i>	August 2

Unshelved Book Club

Wednesdays | 1 - 2 pm | In-person

<i>The People We Keep</i>	June 14
<i>The Cat Who Saved Books</i>	July 12
<i>Wrong Place Wrong Time</i>	August 9

Banned Book Club

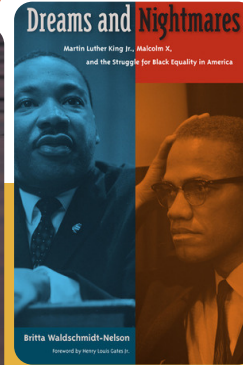
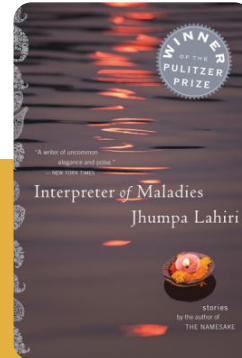
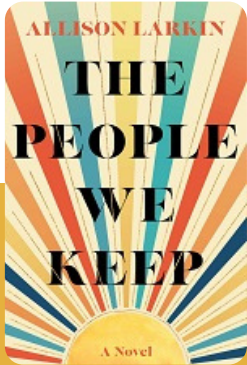
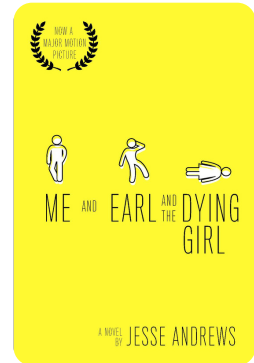
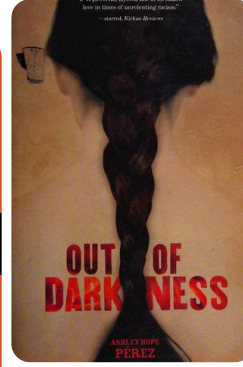
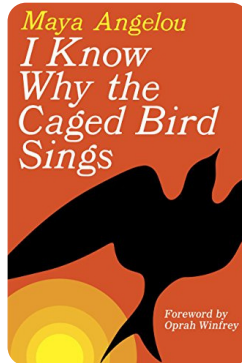
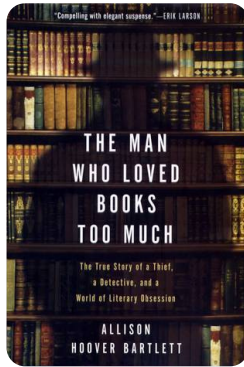
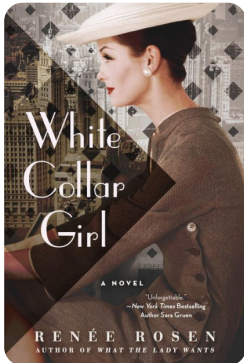
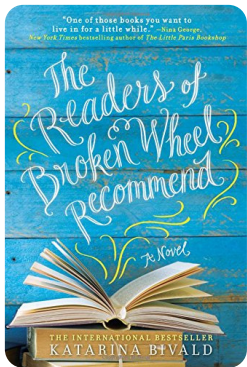
Tuesday or Thursday | 6:30 - 7:45 pm | Hybrid

<i>I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings</i>	June 8 & 20
<i>Out of Darkness</i>	July 13 & 18
<i>Me and Earl and the Dying Girl</i>	August 10 & 15

Renaissance Readers

Tuesday | 10am - 11:30 am | In-person

<i>Interpreter of Maladies</i>	June 13
<i>Dreams & Nightmares</i>	July 12
<i>Communist Manifesto & Das Kapital:</i>	August 8



Discussion Groups

Socrates Cafe

June 9, July 14 & Aug 11
| 10 am - 12 pm |

June Topic: Creating a Single Payer Health Care System

July Topic: Bail / Illinois Bail System

August Topic: TBD

Candid Conversations

June 24, July 29, & Aug 26
| 10 am - 12 pm |

June Topic: TBD

July Topic: TBD

August Topic: TBD



MOVIES & MORE

Movie Mondays

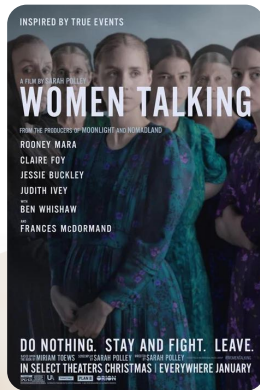
June 5
1pm & 5pm



June 12
1pm & 5pm



June 19
1pm & 5pm



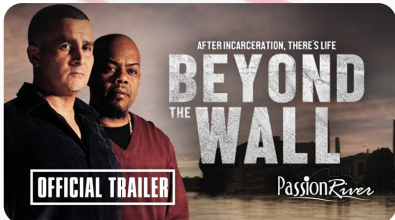
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July 10
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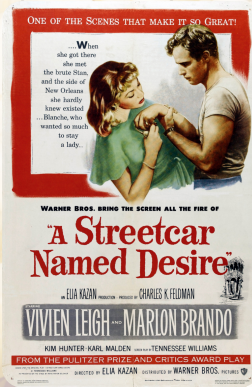
July 17
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July 23
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July 31
1pm & 5pm



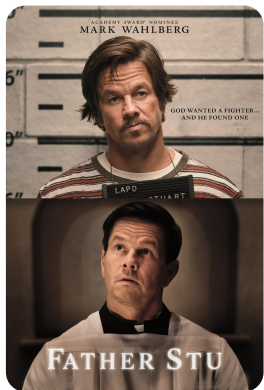
Aug 7
1pm & 5pm



Aug 14
1pm & 5pm



Aug 21
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Aug 28
1pm & 5pm



Saturday Movies

July 15
1pm



Aug 19
11am



KIDS & FAMILIES

Toddler Time

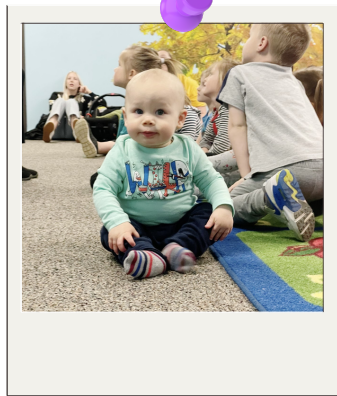
In-person | Storytime that is best for ages 16 - 36 months. Every Tuesday @ 10am in June, July, & August, except July 4.



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Baby Time

In-person | Storytime that is best for birth - 16 months. Every Wednesday @ 10am June, July, & August.



Preschool Time

In-person | Storytime that is best for ages 3+. Every Thursday @ 10am in June, July, & August.



Playdate

In-person | Playdate is best for ages 6 and under. Every Friday @ 10am in June, July, & August.



Lego Club

In-person | Lego Club is designed for ages 6 - 12. Every Wednesday from 3:30 - 5pm in June, July, & August.

Magnificent Mondays

In-person | Fun family night perfect for 6 years and under. Every Monday @ 6pm.
June 5: Different is Beautiful Craft
June 12: The Rainbow Colors of Me Craft Program
June 19: Little Explorers - Dinosaurs
June 26: STEAM Stations
July 10: "My Emotional Belly" Author Visit w/Tracy Schlepphorst
July 17: Ready to Write
July 24: Little Mermaid Party



Monday Funday

In-person | Fun family night perfect for 6 years and under. Every Monday @ 6pm.
July 31: Playdate
August 7: Process Art - "Kite Day"
August 14: Playdate
August 21: Process Art - "Cupcake"
August 28: Sensory Play



KIDS & FAMILIES

Friends & Family Time

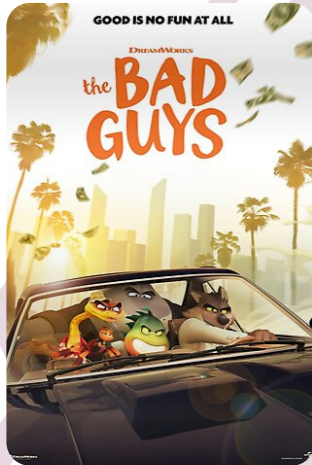
In-person | Fun family night perfect for 12 years and under. Every Thursday @ 6pm.
June 1: STEM Fun - Marshmallow Challenge
June 8: Self Portrait
June 15: Kindness Rocks
June 22: STEAM Plane & Glider Craft
June 29: 3D Sculpture
July 6: Flapping Butterfly Craft
July 13: Can You Hear Me Now?
July 20: Puppet Show Spoon Craft
July 27: Balloon Word Scramble Game
August 3: Game Night
August 10: Straw Roller Coaster Challenge
August 17: Move It - Games Edition
August 24: Scratch Art
August 31: Game Night



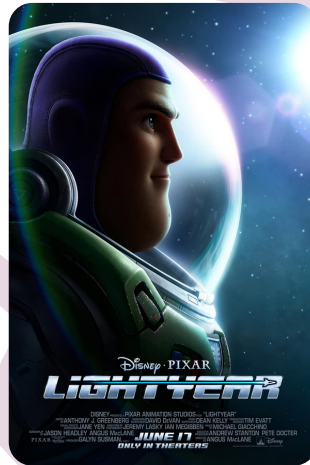
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June 27
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July 11
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July 18
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July 25
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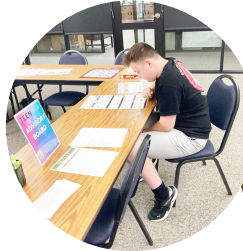
FOR TEENS

Teen Tuesdays | 3 - 4:30 pm | Drop-In

Ages 13 - 18

Every Tuesday in June, July, & August.

Fun activities, videogames, DIY's, and snacks! Come hangout and have fun!



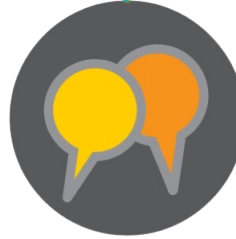
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Teen Pride Presentation with Tri-State Diversity Coalition

Lecture | June 22 | 3PM - 4PM

Members of the Tri-state Diversity coalition will facilitate a presentation related to Pride and LGBTIA+ history.

There will also be two crafts that you can do: decorating shirts and decorating signs or door holders!



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Story Writing Program with Melissa Deverger

DIY | July 27 | 2PM - 3PM

Come to the library to learn about writing! Melissa

Deverger will provide engaging and interactive activities that will help you learn to write about yourself!



SPECIAL EVENTS

Comedy Night

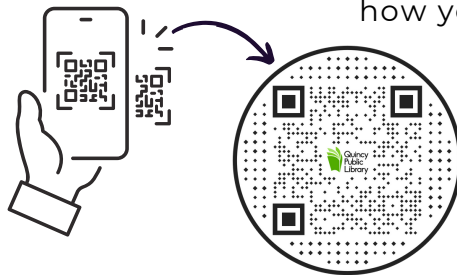
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STATE STREET THEATER
— QUINCY, ILLINOIS —



Nitro Joe

Performance | July 22 | 10am & 1pm

Join Nitro Joe as he presents thrilling, fast-paced, high-energy sciences presentations that will dazzle children and adults alike! This show is designed for children ages five and up, but all are welcome to attend. All QPL shows are free and open to the public, but space is limited; reservations are requested.



Book-It & Beer

Summer Reading Prize | July 12 | 6pm - 8pm

Grown-Ups shouldn't have to miss out on the fun of Summer Reading!

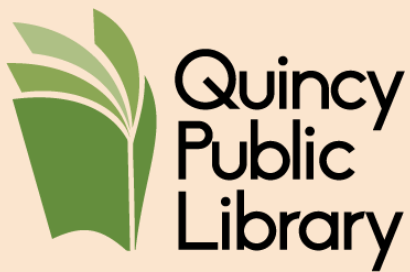
Join the Book-It and Beer Adult Summer Reading challenge by downloading the 'Beanstack' app, sign-up for Summer Reading at QPL, then grab a good book, listen to your favorite audio book, or read an adventure story with your family.

Once you read 6 hrs, join us at the Ratskeller on July 12th and receive a coupon for a free \$5 beer and an entire pizza. Perfect event for the whole family! It all counts as you read your way toward free pizza and beer (for the over 21 crowd)!

Not 21 or Beer not your thing, no worries! Non-alcoholic options will be available too.



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Fri. - Sat. 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

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All programs are subject to cancellation or rescheduling. All program registrants and participants must permit the taking of photographs of themselves during library activities and programs for future publication materials.

Tag us!

Experience something fun while at the library? Make sure to tag us on social media @quincylibrary!



FIND THE LIBRARY AT...

Makers Market
June 17 | 1pm - 7pm
Quincy Brewing Company



Arts Quincy Summer Nights
June 13 & July 11 | 6pm
Jackson-Lincoln Swim Complex

Juneteenth Community Festival
June 17 | 1pm - 8pm
Jackson-Lincoln Swim Complex



How to Beat the SUMMER SLIDE



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Have your child read for at least **20 minutes** every day.
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Spend time **cooking** together.
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Explore different kinds of **reading material** like picture books, chapter books, and magazines.
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Make use of your **local library**.
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Listen to **audio books** on summer car trips.
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Read aloud with your children daily.
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Review skills with fun, hands-on review activities.
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Engage in **meaningful conversation** and help build your child's vocabulary.
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Enjoy a **new hobby!**