**10 Tips to Avoid the SUMMER SLUMP… the summer reading loss is real.**

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* **Do it daily – turn off the TV and make time to read.**
* **Read aloud with your child.**
* **Discuss parts of the story.**
* **Read words you see to increase vocabulary. Read signs traveling, at the grocery store, in the newspaper, anywhere! And, talk, talk, and talk some more with a language rich vocabulary.**
* **Join the Summer Reading program at your public library.**
* **Take advantage of books found online – available 24/7.**
* **Keep a reading log to show progress.**
* **Be a good example – let your child see you reading.**
* **Encourage your child to write. Allow them to write the grocery list, a to-do list, a letter to grandma, a friend or find a pen pal.**
* **Just do it, keep reading and have a GREAT summer!**