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Summer 2020 Projects and Learning Opportunities

Elementary Students

- Review grade level **math skills** and reinforce any topics of challenge.
- Develop **reading comprehension** – Read short passages and complete questions about the passage.
- Read age appropriate novels (If reading is a challenge, consider listening to books on tape and following along with the actual book). Find books or series of books your child finds interesting. Read, read, read!

Middle School Students

- **Prepare for upcoming math classes** by reviewing material from prior grade level to make sure content has been mastered. Begin preparing for upcoming year by previewing first chapters of appropriate textbooks and learning new concepts.
- **Read** appropriate grade level chapter books. Consistent reading improves speed of reading as well as comprehension skills.
- Preview upcoming Social Studies and Science textbook chapters and answer questions at end of each chapter. Great way to make a good first impression with new teachers as well as develop reading comprehension skills.
- Preview material for any foreign language course you will take in the fall.

High School Students

- **Review Summer Assignments** posted on your high school's website. Complete all assignments!
- Prepare for upcoming year by previewing first chapters of new textbooks and learning new material. This is especially beneficial for math courses.
- **Read appropriate grade level novels.** Challenge your student to read a novel a week! Find books in whatever genre he or she enjoys. The goal is to get them reading! Active reading develops reading speed as well as comprehension skills. Ask your student questions about what they are reading. Read the same book so you can discuss.
- Preview material for any foreign language course you will take in the fall.
- **ACT/SAT Test Prep** – Check out the colleges you are most interested in attending to determine if they will be requiring test scores. If they are or if they are optional, consider preparing and scheduling a test date. Note that even though many sites in California are closed for testing, neighboring states are open! You can always take an exam out of state.
- **Rising seniors:** You have plenty to do for your college applications! Check on-line for counselor letters of recommendation questionnaires, coordinate teacher letter of recommendations, prepare a list of 10-12 schools you are interested in attending, research the list of schools on-line taking notes as to why you would be interested in attending. Draft required essays, prepare a resume which focuses on your activities and accomplishments to date. The Common Application opens as of 8/1/2020 for the 2021-2022 academic year.

This is just a few items that you can consider for activities this summer! Academics ETC. has tutors available to assist your students with each of these activities!