

# Reading Connection

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## Book Picks

### ■ **Straight Talk: The Truth About Food**

(Stephanie Paris)

This book explores food from many different angles. Charts, diagrams, and detailed photos combine with entertaining facts to help your child learn about and choose nutritious foods. (Also available in Spanish.)



### ■ **Saving Winslow** (Sharon Creech)

When Louie's dad brings home a sick baby donkey, Louie takes responsibility for nursing his new buddy Winslow back to health. Then, the tables are turned when Winslow winds up being a comfort to Louie after the boy's older brother leaves home to join the military.



### ■ **Clang! Ernst Chladni's Sound Experiments** (Darcy Pattison)

In 1806 the scientist Ernst Chladni went on the road with his sound experiments to raise money for his research. In this nonfiction book, learn how Chladni entertained his way through Europe, popularizing science and exploring acoustics along the way.

### ■ **Home Sweet Motel**

(Chris Grabenstein)

P.T. and his friend Gloria want to do everything they can to save P.T.'s family business, the Wonderland Motel. The duo combines P.T.'s creativity and Gloria's business ideas to try to keep the Wonderland open. The first book in the Welcome to Wonderland series.



## Reading all summer long

For some kids, summer reading comes naturally. Others need a little motivation. Either way, you can use these tips to make reading a big part of your child's life while school is out.



### Take books along

Encourage reading on the go. Help your youngster fill a backpack with things to read. Along with novels, tuck in joke books, brainteasers, and comics. Complete the package with a word search or crossword puzzle book and a pencil. Taking the backpack on the road will make it easy for your child to read and play word games anytime.

### Go outside

Find opportunities to read outdoors. Borrow nature books from the library, and take a neighborhood hike. Your child might start a leaf collection or list all the different bugs he can identify using a field guide. Read books about constellations and the solar system, and

stargaze together at night. Your youngster will see that books can help him enjoy and learn about nature.

### Plan events

Show your child how reading makes it easier to plan summer fun. He can check newspaper listings for upcoming events or read your town's website to find places to visit. When you go to the pool or community center, have your youngster scan the bulletin boards for interesting flyers.

## The power of persuasion

Advertising a summer business can help your youngster practice persuasive writing. Share these secrets for creating eye-catching ads:

● Have her look for convincing words in magazine ads and make a list for her business. For example, "ice cold" and "refreshing" are good choices for a lemonade stand.

● Teach your child persuasive techniques, like using logic or appealing to emotions. ("Don't have enough time to play with your cat or guinea pig? My pet-care service provides the attention your pets need!") *Tip:* Help her post flyers around the neighborhood to advertise her business.

