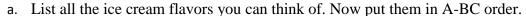
# Four Weeks of Summer Reading Adventures for Kids

## 1. Discover recipes for fun





- b. Invent a recipe for a cool summer drink. Write it on a recipe card. Serve the drink to your friends.
- c. Work up an appetite by reading a story about food. Make and eat the food you read about.
- d. Word game! How many smaller words can you find in the word watermelon?

## 2. Enjoy The Great Outdoors

- a. Pick wildflowers and press them between the pages of a heavy book until the end of summer.
- b. Plan a 'booknic' at your favorite outdoor spot, such as the beach, a park, or the woods. Pack lunch and plenty to read.
- c. Collect shells at the beach or rocks along a trail. Use a nature guide to identify them.
- d. Find something small enough to put in your pocket. Write or tell a story about it.
- e. Look for shapes and designs in the clouds. Draw them.
- f. Word game! Make a list of words to describe fireworks.

## 3. Become a publisher



- a. Make your own joke book. Collect jokes and riddles from your family and friends.
- b. Cut out pictures from an old magazine or catalog. Write a story about them.
- c. Create a rebus story (a story that uses pictures to represent words). Write a short story, and then substitute pictures (that you draw or cut out) for some of the words.
- d. Start a round-robin story. Write the beginning, then ask friends to add to it until it has an ending.

### 4. Watch the skies



- a. Learn what birds live in your area. (Birds are described in books called Field Guides.) Wake up early to go bird watching and list the birds you see.
- b. Which constellations can you see on a clear summer night? Look at the sky using a star guide to help you find the constellations.
- c. Word game! Baseballs also fly through the sky in summer. Find a list of baseball teams in the sports section of the newspaper. Put them in A-B-C order.