



Summer Learning and Growing Program

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There are 77 days of Summer Vacation.

Each and every day you should do “The Three Things.” You should daven, learn Torah (including working on your Hebrew reading) for at least 30 minutes and read for at least 30 minutes. This is the best way to keep your brain working and become REALLY smart.

Use the chart below to keep track of your days. Bring it back the first day of school. Everyone who completes at least 70 days gets to join me for a pizza party! Everyone who completes all 77 days gets entered into a raffle for *sefarim*.

If you complete three Jewish books of your choice, ACAJE will give you a free Rita’s water ice! For details and the form you’ll need to complete, please see

<http://www.ajaje.org/assets/pdf/educationalResources/readingclub/SmrJRdg09flyfrm.pdf>

You can even start reading for Reading Olympics...Next year, we’ll have teams for both Grades 4-6 and Grades 6-8 (6th graders may select either or *both* teams.). The book lists are attached. Please be sure to check with your parents before selecting particular books as the lists come from the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit, not T.A.

Students entering Grades 6-8 also have special projects they can complete for extra credit (Students entering Grades 4-5 may also select from this list if they wish.). Time spent working on those counts towards the chart, too.

Have a wonderful summer....And remember “The Three Things” each and every day!

*Kol tuv,
Rabbi Jablon, Menahel*



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<i>Date</i>	<i>Davening</i>	<i>Learning Torah</i>	<i>Reading</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Davening</i>	<i>Learning Torah</i>	<i>Reading</i>
June 18				July 27			
June 19				July 28			
June 20				July 29			
June 21				July 30			
June 22				July 31			
June 23				August 1			
June 24				August 2			
June 25				August 3			
June 26				August 4			
June 27				August 5			
June 28				August 6			
June 29				August 7			
June 30				August 8			
July 1				August 9			
July 2				August 10			
July 3				August 11			
July 4				August 12			
July 5				August 13			
July 6				August 14			
July 7				August 15			
July 8				August 16			
July 9				August 17			
July 10				August 18			
July 11				August 19			
July 12				August 20			
July 13				August 21			
July 14				August 22			
July 15				August 23			
July 16				August 24			
July 17				August 25			
July 18				August 26			
July 19				August 27			
July 20				August 28			
July 21				August 29			
July 22				August 30			
July 23				August 31			
July 24				Sept. 1			
July 25				Sept. 2			
July 26							

Child's Signature _____

Parent's Signature _____



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Middle School Projects!

Please select one or more of these projects. For every one you complete, you'll get special mention on your report card in that subject. Please remember that time you spend on these projects DOES COUNT towards your chart.

Students entering Grades 4-5 may do projects 1-4 if they wish.

- 1) Learn all of *Mishna Messechet Taanit* and/or *Mishna Messechet Makkot*. Then take a test when you return to school. You can find help, and sample questions, at www.rabbijablon.com/Makkothhomepage.htm and www.rabbijablon.com/Taanitreview.pdf.
- 2) Learn *Pirke Avot*, Chapters 4-6. Select two Mishnayot for each chapter that you find particularly special to you. Write a friend (real or imaginary) a letter in which you explain each of these Mishnayot and say why they are so special to you. For extra, extra credit, write this letter in Ivrit!
- 3) Select a book that your teacher and parents agree is appropriate for you. Read the book and write a two page book review. The review should summarize the book. It should also say whether you'd recommend it to a friend *and why*. The review should include at least two quotes from the book. You may do this project for as many books as you'd like.

Please remember that if you read three Jewish themed books, you get a free Rita's Ice from ACAJE. Go to

<http://www.ajaj.org/assets/pdf/educationalResources/readingclub/SmrJRdg09flyfrm.pdf> for details and the form to complete.

- 4) Research the life of a great Rabbi from Eretz Yisrael. Then write a 2 page report where you tell about the Rabbi's life AND why he was so important for Klal Yisrael and Eretz Yisrael. For extra, extra credit write the report in Ivrit!
- 5) Do the webquest, "Back to Hebron," found at <http://www.rabbijablon.com/Hebronwebquest.htm>. There's a lot to read. Select and complete one of the projects.



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Elementary School (Grades 4-6) Reading Olympics

Montgomery County Intermediate Unit

Title	Author
2095: The Time Warp Trio	Scieszka, John
Artemis Fowl	Colfer, Eoin
Best School Year Ever, The	Robinson, Barbara
Big Wave	Buck, Pearl
Bloomability	Creech, Sharon
Boggart, The	Cooper, Susan
Catherine Called Birdy	Cushman, Karen
Edison Mystery: Qwerty Stevens, Back in Time, The	Gutman, Dan
Eggs	Spinelli, Jerry
Emmy and the Incredible Shrinking Rat	Jonnell, Lynne
Francie	English, Karen
Ghost Cadet	Alphin, Elaine
Gold-Threaded Dress, The	Marden, Carolyn
Henry's Freedom Box	Levine, Ellen
I Got a "D" in Salami	Winkler, Henry
Jeremy Thatcher, Dragon Hatcher	Coville, Bruce
Kickoff!	Barber, Tiki
Lightning Thief, The	Riordan, Rick
Lyddie	Patterson, Katherine
Magnificent Mummy Maker	Woodruff, Elvira
Maniac Magee	Spinelli, Jerry
Music of Dolphins, The	Hesse, Karen
Once on This Island	Whelan, Gloria
Phantom Tollbooth, The (<i>read in Ms. Marshall's class!</i>)	Juster, Norton
Ragweed	Avi
Report Card, The	Clements, Andrew
Rowan of Rin	Rodda, Emily
Secret of Platform 13, The	Ibbotson, Eva
Seeing Stone: The (The Spiderwick Chronicles Book 2)	DiTerlizzi, Tony
Snow Treasure	McSwigan, Marie
Soccer Halfback	Christopher, Matt



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Song of the Trees	Taylor, Mildred
Tale of Despereaux: Being the Story of a Mouse, a Princess, Some Soup, and a Spool of Thread	DiCamillo, Kate
There's an Owl in the Shower	George, Jean
Thirteen Ways to Sink a Sub	Gilson, Jamie
This Island Isn't Big Enough for the Four of Us	Greer, Gary
View from Saturday, The	Konigsburg, E.L.
Vision of Beauty: The Story of Sarah Breedlove Walker	Lasky, Kathryn
Wait Till Helen Comes: A Ghost Story	Hahn, Mary Downing
War with Grandpa, The	Smith, Robert Kimmel
Watsons Go to Birmingham-1963, The	Curtis, Christopher Paul
When Marian Sang: True Recital of Marian Anderson, The	Ryan, Pam Munoz
When Zachary Beaver Came to Town	Holt, Kimberly Willis
Winners Take All	Bowen, Fred
Yolanda's Genius	Fenner, Carol

For more information on the Reading Olympics please see:

<http://www.mciu.org/Divisions/CurriculumInstructionProfessionalDevelopment/StudentEvents/ReadingOlympics/tabid/355/Default.aspx>



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Middle School (Grades 6-8) Reading Olympics Montgomery County Intermediate Unit

Title	Author
100 year-old Secret, The	Barrett, Tracy
Ajeemah and his Son	Berry, James
Alice in Rapture, Sort Of	Naylor, Phyllis
Among the Hidden	Haddix, Margaret Peterson
Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl	Frank, Anne
Black Star, Bright Dawn	O'Dell, Scott
Boy Who Saved Baseball, The	Ritter, John H.
Burning Up	Cooney, Caroline
Cay, The	Taylor, Theodore
Cleopatra VII: Daughter of the Nile	Gregory, Kristiana
Contender, The	Lipsyte, Robert
Countdown	Mikaelsen, Ben
Cracker Jackson	Byars, Betsy
Dateline: Troy	Fleischman, Paul
December Stillness	Hahn, Mary Downing
Double Dutch	Draper, Sharon M.
Dragon's Keep	Carey, Janet Leet
Eagle Strike	Horowitz, Anthony
Ender's Shadow	Card, Orson Scott
Escape! The Story fo the Great Houdini	Fleischman, Sid
Fever 1793	Anderson, Laurie Halse
Gregor the Overlander	Collins, Suzanne
Hang a Thousand Trees with Ribbons	Rinaldi, Ann
Jip, his Story	Paterson, Katherine
Knucklehead: Tall Tales & Mostly True Stories...	Sceiszka, Jon
Leaving Protection	Hobbs, Will
Locomotion	Woodson, Jacqueline
Long Way From Chicago: A Novel in Stories	Peck, Robert
Midnight for Charlie Bone	Nimmo, Jenny
Monkey Island	Fox, Paula
Notes From a Midnight Driver	Sonnenblick, Jordan



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Outcasts of 19 Schuyler Place, The	Konigsburg, E.L.
Outsiders, The	Hinton, S.E.
Phineas Gage: A Gruesome but True Story about Brain Science	Fleischman, John
Phoenix Rising	Hesse, Karen
Ruins of Gorlan, The	Flanagan, John
Say Goodnight, Gracie	Deaver, Julie
Schooled	Korman, Gordon
So B. It	Weeks, Sarah
Spying on Miss Muller	Bunting, Eve
Stalker, The	Nixon, Joan Lowery
Supernaturalist, The	Colfer, Eoin
Surviving the Applewhites	Tolan, Stephanie S.
Wolf Speaker	Pierce, Tamora
Yellow Star	Roy, Jennifer

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