



July Literacy Calendar – 4th into 5th Grade



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		<p>Read about famous pilot Amelia Earhart, who disappeared on this day in 1937. Click the airplane for a cool site.</p> 	<p>Read the weather report in the newspaper today.</p> <p>Asbury Park Press</p>	<p>1 Make a bookmark for a younger sibling or friend today. Click the bookmark to a do-it-yourself website:</p> 
<p>4 Saturday was the Japanese festival Tanabata. Write a wish on a slip of paper and hang it from a branch.</p> 	<p>5 Create a secret code and use it to write a note to a friend. Be sure to give your friend the key to crack the code!</p>	<p>6 Have you started your summer reading? Visit the library today with a family member.</p> <p>Middletown Library</p>	<p>7 Happy Birthday, E.B. White! Celebrate the day by reading one of his books. Visit his website through the picture:</p> 	<p>8 In honor of National Ice Cream Month, list all of your favorite flavors and find a recipe for one. Write it in your journal.</p> 
<p>11 Yesterday was Bastille Day. Listen to Madeline book to celebrate this important French holiday.</p>	<p>12 Read a folktale from another country.</p> <p>Folktales for Children</p>	<p>13 Eat a slice of watermelon and read Lisa Moser's <i>Watermelon Wishes</i>.</p> 	<p>14 Make as many words as you can from the word "dictionary."</p>	<p>15 Write down all the reasons you like your favorite book or TV show.</p> 
<p>18 Write a song about your favorite book.</p>	<p>19 Happy National Mosquito Day! Check out <i>Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears</i>.</p>	<p>20 Turn off the TV and read today instead.</p> 	<p>21 What does the word "toil" mean? Look it up and then use it in a story.</p> <p>Merriam-Webster Dictionary</p>	<p>22 Write a play with a group of friends. Act it out for your families.</p> 
<p>25 Yesterday was Beatrix Potter's birthday. Read <i>The Tale of Squirrel Nutkin</i>.</p> <p>The World of Beatrix Potter</p>	<p>26 If you could invite your favorite character to dinner, where would you go? Write about the experience.</p>	<p>27 Find a cool spot to read today.</p> 	<p>28 Write a story about what you would do if you were a king or queen.</p> 	<p>29 Imagine a perfect day. Write in your journal about what you would do, eat, and wear.</p> 



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<p>1 Francis Scott Key was born on August 1st, in 1779. Read the history behind his creation of "The Star-Spangled Banner."</p> 	<p>2 National Ice Cream Sandwich Day was this past Saturday, August 2nd. Write a poem about your favorite kind.</p> 	<p>3 Try the crossword puzzle with someone from your family.</p>  <p>Asbury Park Press</p>	<p>4 How are you doing with your summer reading? Check out suggested books for your grade level on the district website.</p> <p>Middletown Public Schools</p>	<p>5 Yum! Sunday, August 10th is National S'Mores Day. Make this treat with friends and then tell ghost stories. Check out a new kind of S'more!</p> 
<p>8 It's National Smile Week. Make a list of all the things that make you smile.</p> 	<p>9 Ask faraway relatives to write you a letter telling you about their favorite books from childhood.</p> 	<p>10 Find out if your favorite author has a website. If so, check it out! Here are some to get you started:</p> <p>Cynthia Rylant</p> <p>Mo Willems</p>	<p>11 Sit down with a friend and read <i>You Read to Me, I'll Read to You: Very Short Stories to Read Together.</i></p> 	<p>12 Today is Book Lover's Day. Celebrate by reading with your family this evening.</p> 
<p>15 Write humorous captions for family photos. Make a scrapbook.</p> 	<p>16 Make a collage illustrating a scene from a book you've read this summer.</p> 	<p>17 Cal Ripken, Jr. was born on the 17th of August in 1960. Learn more about this famous baseball player.</p> 	<p>18 Write in your journal about the best thing about this summer.</p> 	<p>19 Learn about different birds that live in your area. Wake up early to go bird watching and list the birds you see.</p> 
<p>22 Look up the word "swelter" and use it in a story.</p> <p>Merriam-Webster Dictionary</p>	<p>23 Make a list of all the school supplies you need for this school year.</p> <p>Middletown Public Schools</p>	<p>24 Write a list of animals that burrow underground. Research about one of these animals.</p> 	<p>25 Martin Luther King, Jr. delivered his "I Have a Dream" speech on this day in 1963. Read this important speech.</p> <p>I Have a Dream Speech</p>	<p>26 It's National Dog Day. Do you prefer dogs or cats? Why? Write a story or draw a picture.</p> 
<p>29 Martin Luther King, Jr. delivered his "I Have a Dream" speech yesterday on Aug. 28th in 1963. Read this important speech.</p> <p>I Have a Dream Speech</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>		