

Dear Incoming Second Graders,

We hope that you will have a wonderful fun-filled summer vacation. Over the summer, however, is also an ideal time to keep up with your academic skills so you can be successful next school year. Below is a list of suggestions to make learning fun over the summer. Enjoy!

1. Read. Read. Read. Every single day pick up a book and read for at least 20 minutes! **Create a Reading Journal using a notebook. Follow the attached directions!**
2. Log on to Raz-Kids.com and READ! 😊
3. Drill basic addition and subtraction facts. Remember the Second Grade goal is 100 problems in five minutes. Practice two and three digit addition and subtraction.
4. Read. It is worth repeating.
5. Write simple paragraphs describing things and places. Do you have a topic sentence? Three Juicy details? A conclusion?
6. Play games with your family and friends. Follow the rules.
7. Take responsibility for a chore at your house. Do it without being reminded. This is what families do to help each other.
- 8. Visit Mathletics and practice your math skills!!!**
9. Play a fun game from our technology list.

Pray each day! Have fun! Be safe!

God bless,  
Miss Plumley and Ms. Nicholson

## **Technology Tips**

### Educational Apps for the iPad:

1. Sushi Monster (Math)
2. Grade 2 Math (free version)
3. Meerkat Math (a Second grade Favorite!)
4. Endless ABC (more basic, but still fun)
5. Spelling City
6. Stack the States (learn the states)
7. Grammar Wonderland Primary by McGraw Hill
8. Bluster
9. Tic Tac Toe (Phonics) by Lakeshore Learning
10. Brain Quest (all the grades are included)

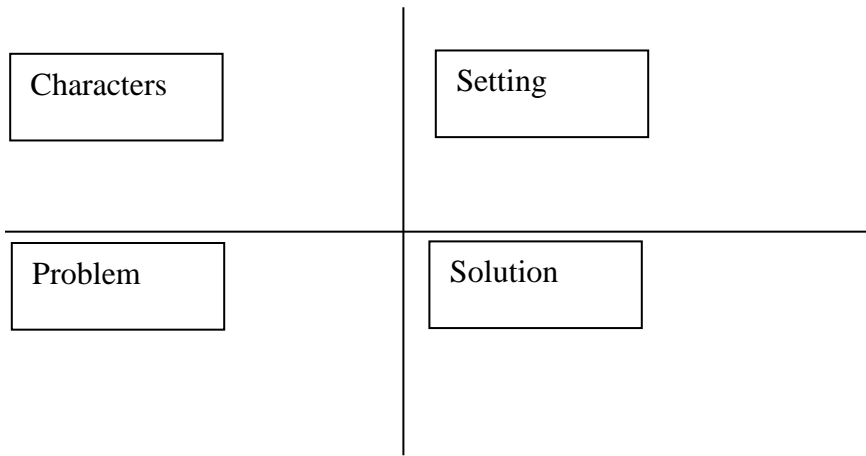
### Educational Websites:

1. Great Resources with Games for all Subjects  
<http://interactivesites.weebly.com/index.html>
2. ABCYA- Fun Games based on Grade Level <http://www.abcya.com/>
3. Amazing Fleas Game- fast paced learning game  
<http://www.tvokids.com/games/amazingspellingfleas>
4. Fun Brain- fun interactive games <http://www.funbrain.com>
5. AAAMath <http://www.aaamath.com/>
6. Grammar Ninja <http://www.kwarp.com/portfolio/grammarninja.html>

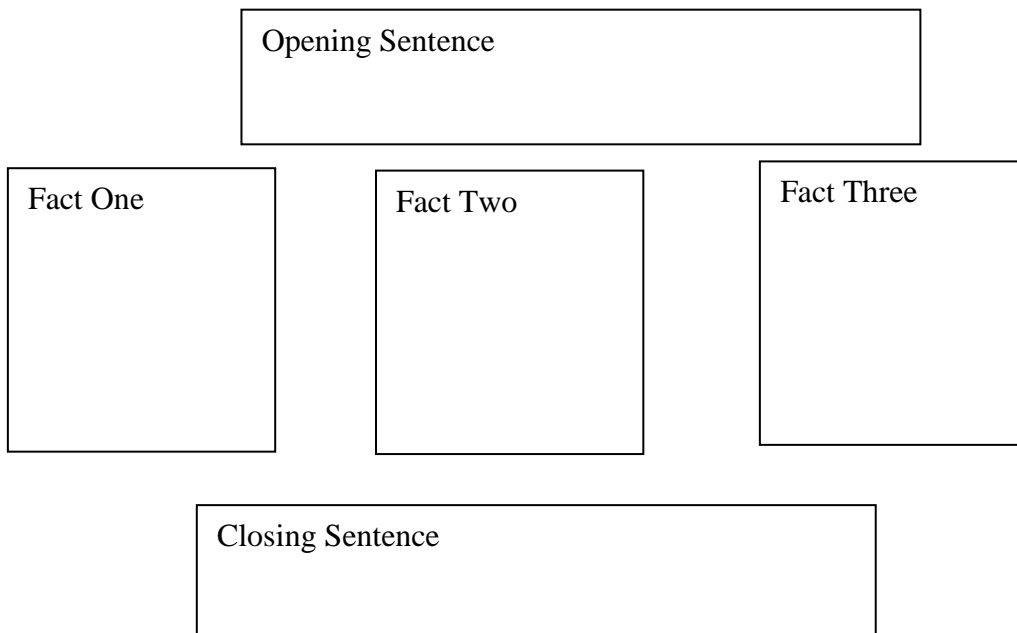
# Summer Reading Journal Directions

Using one of the four composition books from your supply list, create a Reading Journal. You must have 8-10 entries when we return to school in August. This journal will be used throughout the school year, so keep it safe! Below are the options, as well as graphic organizers, that will help you plan out your writing!

**FICTION READING:** Read a literature book and write a retell (4-6 sentences) of what the story is about. Don't forget to include characters and setting. If you need help organizing your ideas, try using the graphic organizer below!



**NONFICTION READING:** Read an informational book and write a summary (4-6 sentences) of what you learned! Don't forget your opening and closing sentences! Try the graphic organizer below to plan your writing!



# Example Journal Entry

Book Title: Stellaluna

Author:

I just read the book Stellaluna. In the story, the characters are Stellaluna, her mother, and the family of birds. The setting is outside. The problem in the story is that Stellaluna gets separated from her mother. The solution is that Stellaluna finds her mother. You should read this book!

\*Feel free to add a picture in the extra space, your graphic organizer, or add more details!



## Keep track of your child's math progress.

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Your child is using Mathletics as part of their math learning program at school. This means your child has take-home access to Mathletics with their existing school username and password.

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- 1 Visit [www.mathletics.com/parent](http://www.mathletics.com/parent)
- 2 Complete the form and click "Submit"
- 3 Look out for a weekly progress email in your inbox each Monday.

Activity	Results	Points	Date Completed
Word Problems - 2 Question Problems	100%	20	28 May 2015
Word Problems - Place a Place Value Millions	100%	20	28 May 2015
Word Problems - Investigate Fractions in Real Life	100%	20	28 May 2015
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### PC & Mac

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### Student Mathletics Login:

**TEACHER:** please staple a printed Mathletics sign-in card here.

Or have students complete (carefully!) by hand.

Username: \_\_\_\_\_

Password: \_\_\_\_\_

Sign in at: [www.mathletics.com](http://www.mathletics.com)



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**GRADE 2**  
**SUPPLY LIST**  
2017 - 2018

- 1 large zippered pencil pouch (No boxes please)
  - 1 plain red pocket folder - NO PRONGS
  - 1 plain green pocket folder - NO PRONGS
  - 1 box (24 only) Crayola Crayons – No name
  - 1 box (12 pack) colored pencils – No name
  - 1 box (8 pack) Crayola Classic Color Markers – No name
  - 8 large glue sticks
  - 1 pair Fiskars brand scissors – Name required
  - 1 pack of 4 different color highlighters
  - 24 **sharpened** pencils
  - 1 large eraser
  - 1 package of Manilla File Folders
  - 1 container of antibacterial wipes
  - 1 box of tissues
  - 1 roll of paper towels
  - 4 composition notebooks
  - 1 set of ear buds (to be used with iPads)
  - 1 twelve inch ruler (with inches and centimeters)
  - 1 small student pencil sharpener
  - 1 tote bag (reusable grocery store type bags are acceptable) - The tote bag does not need to have a zipper, but needs to be foldable to fit into the cubbies. NO BACKPACKS PLEASE.
  - 1 box of Ziploc baggies: Girls - sandwich or snack size / Boys - Quart size
- \*Any extra school supplies you would like to donate (craft supplies, pencils, markers, dice, playing cards, cardstock, etc.)**