## Second Grade Summer Reading List

Dear Students,

Please read a book of your choice (at your reading level) to enjoy reading this summer. You will take an Accelerated Reader quiz on the book on the first week of school. In addition, you will complete a project. Projects will be presented on the first day of school.

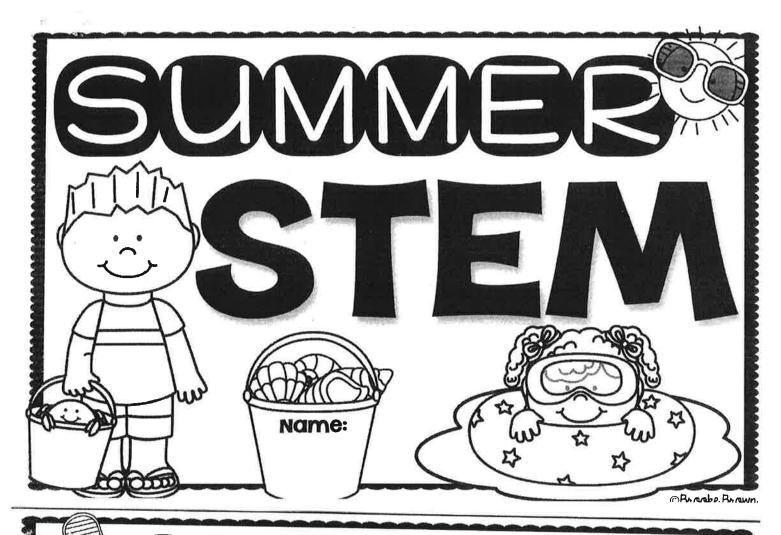
**Book Project** -- You will make a **Bottle Buddy** (person or animal) that represents your favorite character. \* I want to see your work, so don't let your parents in on too much of the fun, except for maybe hints and guidance. Be prepared to introduce your "Bottle Buddy" to your classmates.

- 1. Use a clean 2-liter plastic soda bottle for the body---partially filled with sand/pebbles for stability. Please **DO NOT** use water.
- 2. Remove cap from bottle and screw on a Styrofoam ball for the head.
- 3. Create it yourself using recycled materials such as yarn /paper for the hair-material/felt/paper for clothing—poster board for feet.

Peace,

Mrs. O'Brien

Have a **GREAT** Summer!



# SUMMER STEM

#### **Bug Catcher**

Create a device that traps or catches bugs.

#### Secret Hideout

Create an indoor or outdoor fort or hideout using blankets and pieces of furniture.

#### Pool Party

Ask an adult to use a sharp knife to slice a foam pool noodle into I-2 inch slices. Use toothpicks and pool noodle pieces to build a structure.

### Play Day

Create a working model of a playground toy, such as a swing, slide, merry-go-round, or jungle gym.

#### Float Your Boat

Create a boat, raft, or floating toy that can be used in a pool.

#### Garden Party

Create a tool that can be used for gardening or a container that can be used as a planter.

#### Critter House

Using materials found in nature, create a small house for a critter or fairy.

### **Make Some**

#### **Noise**

Create a musical instrument or noise maker.

cross off each challenge as you complete it!



# SUMMER STEM

Which challenge did you complete?

Picture of your Design



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Which challenge was your FAVORITE?

Why was that challenge your favorite?

Which challenge was EASIEST?

Why do you think that challenge was easiest?

Which challenge was most DIFFICULT?

why do you think that challenge was most difficult?

