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## DATES & DEADLINES

- SAVE THE DATE – Early Years Conference in Boise. October 29-30, 2014.
- Elementary School Library workshops [August 5 in Coeur d'Alene](#), [August 8 in Idaho Falls](#), [August 11 in Boise](#).

## WELCOME

By Erica Compton

I can't believe that summer is here. It seems like I was just sending my little one off to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and now the school year is over! I think part of it is that time just seems to be going by faster as I get (a bit) older, but I know that part of the reason is that the Read to Me team has been busier than ever. Between My First Books, Books to Go, Mini-grants, Summer Slide Pilot, and prepping for SIX new VISTAs at the Commission, we have had our hands full! But I don't think any of us would change a thing, because when it gets this busy it means that kids are getting great programs and libraries are pushing the limits in reaching the underserved in their communities. Thank you to all of you who help make a difference out there! We have tried to keep this issue a bit shorter as we know you are swamped with summer reading. Enjoy and stay cool!

## LIBRARY TO LIBRARY

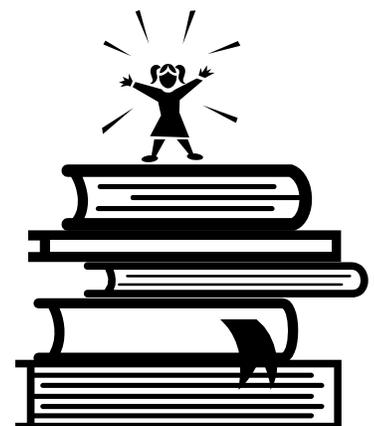
### Family Reading Week Theme (FINALLY!) Announced!!

I know that the Read to Me team has been extraordinarily slow in getting the word out on this year's Family Reading Theme! Usually we have it ready to announce at the RTM meeting in March, but that just was not going to happen with all that we had going on!

So finally, we want to announce that the 2014 theme will be....drum roll please.....

### Building a Community of Readers!

We will be sharing more information as we develop it! Look for more amazing artwork from our talented Ben. It's going to be fun.



## Get Caught Reading Winners

We drew three names from the submissions for our **Get Caught Reading** contest in May. Congratulations to the following folks:

**Roxanne M. Renteria**, Children's Librarian, Burley Public Library: For fun: *American Gods*, by Neil Gaiman and *Iced*, by Karen Marie Moning; for Mother's Day Storytime: *Llama, Llama Misses Mama*, by Anna Dewdney, *My Monster Mamma Loves Me So*, by Laura Leuck, and *Snuggle Puppy*, by Sandra Boynton

**Claudia Jones**, Director, Prairie-River Library District: *Any Other Name: a Walt Longmire Mystery*, by Craig Johnson

**Amanda Hatfield**, Cataloger / Computer Specialist, Buhl Public Library: *The Science of Evil*, by Simon Baron-Cohen, *Design, Make, Play*, by Margaret Honey, and *Hungry Like a Wolf*, by Christine Warren

These lucky ladies will receive a fun summer reading prize and a book to add to their beach bags, as well as complimentary bookmarks and posters from Becca Worthington, Project Manager at the Association of American Publishers, sponsor of the nationwide [Get Caught Reading](#) campaign. Thanks to all who submitted the titles you were caught reading or listening to in May. See a complete list of the great books [here](#).

## Nampa Public Library hosts The Wonderful Rhythms of Planet Earth

*By Tracie Wood, Nampa Public Library Youth Services Associate*

The Nampa Public Library hosted a Family Fun Saturday on May 10 featuring renowned percussionist David Gluck. Mr. Gluck presented a fun-filled program demonstrating percussion instruments from around the world including the didgeridoo, the marimba, many different types of drums and more. He emphasized the important connection between children who learn to play an instrument and the positive impact this has on his or her cognitive development.

Audience members were delighted to play many of the instruments and remained mesmerized during the entire presentation! The cost was surprisingly minimal for such a high-quality program presented by a seasoned performer and educator. Several audience members expressed their gratitude for bringing "The Wonderful Rhythms of Planet Earth" to our library. Following the program, the children created their own balloon drums and shakers. Brad Spencer of Spencer's Music in Middleton sponsored this awesome program. For more information, please contact David directly: davidgluckr@gmail.com.

### David Gluck Profile:

As a founding member and percussionist of the internationally renowned Rhythm & Brass and Madera Vox, he has been critically acclaimed by such publications as the New York



Times, Entertainment Weekly and Downbeat. His music has been featured on the BET Network, NPR and in Jazz Player Magazine. He has nine recordings on the Koch, Summit, d'note, Bear Claw and Skinny-Tie labels. He is published by Hal Leonard and Universal Editions and co-authored the book "Rhythms of the Game: The Link Between Musical and Athletic Performance" with former New York Yankee, Bernie Williams and Dr. Robert Thompson. David is sponsored by the Yamaha, Zildjian and Innovative Percussion Corporations and has been a featured performer and clinician throughout the States, Japan, Thailand, Australia, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Italy, the Caribbean, Mexico and Canada. He has had works premiered at Carnegie's Weill Recital Hall and the Salvador Dali Museum, and has been commissioned by the United States Air Force Band.



## Lewiston City Library Celebrates Anniversary

~by Heather Stout

We have been in our new library for one year! We had a kick-off for our Summer Reading Program with science experiments AND Star Wars Storm Troopers! Check out a 30 second video about the event at:

<http://www.klewtv.com/news/local/Lewiston-City-Library-celebrates-one-year-anniversary-262556791.html?tab=video&c=y>

## YOUNG ADULT CORNER

### Teen Read Week™ 2014 Materials Available!



Turn Dreams into Reality @ your library with our all-new Teen Read Week 2014 themed products! From posters to bookmarks and more, get all your Teen Read Week 2014 materials from the ALA Store! Teen Read Week 2014 will be celebrated October 12-18, 2014 with the theme Turn Dreams into Reality @ your library. For complete details about Teen Read Week and this year's theme, please visit [www.ala.org/teenread](http://www.ala.org/teenread).

### Teens to Takeover The Hub during Teen Read Week™

YALSA's young adult literature blog, The Hub, is looking for teens to guest blog during Teen Read Week, October 12-18, 2014. Teens aged 12-18 are eligible to apply. Teens will be blogging about various topics related to young adult literature and literary culture. [Apply](#) by August 1, 2014.

### Ready-to-Use Readers' Advisory Tools

Just download, print and distribute! These two digital downloads offer hundreds of recommended reads for teens by genre.

- Outstanding Books for the College Bound, <http://ow.ly/xwTkh> (download includes 5 brochures, 1 handout and 1 poster)
- Reads 4 Teens, <http://ow.ly/xwTbe> (download includes 37 pamphlets and 8 bookmarks)

## Upcoming YALSA Activities & Events

- Apply by June 15<sup>th</sup> for a travel stipend to the YA Literature Symposium, [www.ala.org/yalitsymposium](http://www.ala.org/yalitsymposium)
- June 19<sup>th</sup>, Thinking Outside the Book to Improve your Teen Collection, [www.ala.org/yalsa/webinars](http://www.ala.org/yalsa/webinars)
- July 1<sup>st</sup>, Reading with a Critical Eye: Evaluating Young Adult Literature e-course, [www.ala.org/yalsa/onlinelearning/info](http://www.ala.org/yalsa/onlinelearning/info)
- July 1<sup>st</sup>, deadline to submit a program proposal to YALSA for ALA's 2015 Annual Conference in San Francisco, <http://ow.ly/xwUDT>
- Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>, applications accepted for Teen Blogging Contest, <http://ow.ly/xwS7y>
- Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>, Teens' Top Ten voting opens, [www.ala.org/yalsa/teenstopten](http://www.ala.org/yalsa/teenstopten)
- Oct. 12 – 18 Teen Read Week™, [www.ala.org/teenread](http://www.ala.org/teenread)
- Nov. 14 - 16, YA Literature Symposium, [www.ala.org/yalsa/yalitsymposium](http://www.ala.org/yalsa/yalitsymposium)

For more events and information, visit [http://wikis.ala.org/yalsa/index.php/Calendar\\_of\\_Events](http://wikis.ala.org/yalsa/index.php/Calendar_of_Events)

## 2015 Annual Conference CE Proposals

YALSA is now accepting proposals for continuing education sessions to be presented at the 2015 ALA Annual Conference in San Francisco, June 26 - 30, 2015. Proposals may be submitted through July 1 through the [online form](#).



## SCHOOL ZONE

### It's Not Too Late to Register for August Workshops!

Registration is still open for three regional workshops for Idaho's elementary school library staff. See below for more information!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Elementary School Library Workshops

Read to Me is sponsoring workshops in your area in August. **Supporting the Common Core & Much More: A Workshop for Idaho Elementary School Library Staff** will be held in three locations. These free workshops will cover these topics:

- Background on how literacy develops in elementary-age students and how school libraries can best support that development
- Circulation policies that increase access
- Summer Learning Loss
- Importance of informational text in supporting the common core and a hands-on look at good nonfiction choices for this age group
- Novelist K-8
- A word (or two) about weeding

Workshops will run from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch and light snacks are provided. Mileage will be reimbursed for those traveling more than 40 miles one way from your school to the workshop location. Travel forms will be available at the workshops. Email [Stephanie.bailey-white@libraries.idaho.gov](mailto:Stephanie.bailey-white@libraries.idaho.gov) for questions. More information and registration links follow:

- Coeur d'Alene: <https://cdacommoncore.eventbrite.com>
- Idaho Falls: <http://commoncoreidahofalls.eventbrite.com>
- Boise: <http://commoncoreboise.eventbrite.com>



## TIPS AND TOOLS

### Idaho Community Foundation (ICF) Opens Grant Cycle in Southwestern Idaho on May 1

The Idaho Community Foundation (ICF) Southwestern Region Competitive Grant Cycle opened May 1. Deadline for applying is July 1. More Info: [www.idcomfdn.org/Regional\\_Cycle](http://www.idcomfdn.org/Regional_Cycle)

### Best Buy Building 21st Century Grants

The Best Buy Community Grants Program provides support to nonprofit organizations that are located within 50 miles of a Best Buy facility. Grants promote programs that provide teens with places and opportunities to develop 21st century technology skills that will inspire future education and career choices. Eligible programs must build technology skills in teens ages 13-18, deliver community-based youth programs during out-of-school time, and serve a diverse population. Grants average \$5,000, and will not exceed \$10,000. Online proposals may be submitted between June 2 and June 27, 2014. Visit the Best Buy website to review the program guidelines. For more information, and to apply, click [here](#).

### Collection Development Grant

YALSA's Margaret Edwards Collection Development Grant awards \$5,000 for a school or public library to use towards improving or expanding its teen collection. Funds may be used for print, non-print and/or digital materials. All personal YALSA members who represent a public library or school library are eligible to apply. Up to four grants will be awarded in 2014. All applicants must be current personal members of ALA/YALSA at the time the application is submitted. Applications must be submitted by Dec. 1 via the [online form http://ow.ly/xwVn4](http://ow.ly/xwVn4).

### Westinghouse Grant Opportunity

#### N-Visioning a brighter future

Schools and teachers who want their students to learn more about STEM through a hands-on project should apply for this grant.

Deadline November 14, 2014

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## Costco Charitable Giving

Costco Wholesale's giving guidelines specifically support programs focusing on children, education and health and human services.

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## Internet Safety Site

Idaho Attorney General: For parents, practitioners, and kids

[http://www.ag.idaho.gov/internetSafety/internetSafety\\_index.html](http://www.ag.idaho.gov/internetSafety/internetSafety_index.html)



# SUMMER READING NEWS

## Summer Reading Program Report

What better way to kick off your summer programs than to think about collecting participation statistics?! We ask that every Idaho public library submit the number of children and teens that participate in your summer reading program each year. If you are not hosting a program this year, you only need to answer one question on the report telling us such. We try to keep the required questions on the report limited to the information we need for our own reporting purposes; we also ask optional questions that help us improve our service to you. Reports are due **August 31** and the link can be found at <http://libraries.idaho.gov/landing/summer-reading>. See a [preview of the report here](#).

**New this year:** Submit your report on time (or get an approved extension from Staci) and be entered to win a 2015 summer reading t-shirt (provided compliments of CSLP)!

## News from CSLP

CSLP announces a new partnership with CWIST, a parent-driven motivational system where kids embark on adventures with the goal of earning a wish once they've completed a fun, educational project.

### CWIST Services for Members

- Cwist will create a short introduction video for libraries that describes the value of cwist to their library.
- The video will describe how cwist works for families of K-5 readers.
- It will briefly describe how a parent can easily sign in and assign reading challenges that will add fun and educational extensions to the reading the child does over the summer
- For each library system that provides cwist with their summer reading lists, cwist will create challenges (or update last year's) for each grouping of books they support. In some cases lists are grouped by grade or multiple grades, and in others there is one large list; cwist will reflect that library's grouping.
- The challenge will be CSLP branded inside the challenge itself
- The challenge will have links to the unique list for the library system
- The challenge main image will be the logo of the supported library
- Parents will be able to sign up their families for free
- Families will have access to a list of retail and free incentives to use as goals for completing the challenges.

For more information contact [Chris Sleat](#), CEO Cwist

## Order your 2015 summer reading manuals by June 18

The ICfL orders program manuals for every publicly funded public library and branch in Idaho, unless the library opts not to receive one. Military Base libraries also qualify.

[https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2015SRPManuals\\_Idaho](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2015SRPManuals_Idaho)

### 1) Choose program manual type

Note: If your library does not specify a format, the traditional package will be ordered for you. You may also opt not to receive a manual if your library does not offer a summer reading program.

### 2) Choose number of School/Community Partner Upstart incentive catalogs

### 3) Choose which posters your library would like

Please submit your choices via the Survey Monkey link above by June 18, 2014.

Before submitting your choices, please communicate with all summer program staff in your library and elect one person to submit your library's preference. Each branch should submit a separate survey.

Program manuals will be shipped in the fall of 2014 to all libraries that submitted their 2014 summer programs report. Posters will be shipped Winter 2015.

## Read For My Summer – Free Online Summer Reading Program

Read for My Summer is We Give Books' free online summer reading program! June 9- August 15

Each week we'll highlight a special book for you and your child to read online, along with fun activities and reading tips to make them come to life, including custom activities from ReadWriteThink.org.

<http://resources.wegivebooks.org/readformysummer/>

## FEATURED:

### The Changing of the Guard

~by Julie Armstrong

As we start into the summer season there is change in the air at ICfL. We have placed 10 VISTA Summer Associates (VSAs) around the state to support libraries with their summer reading programs. VSAs have been placed in Lewiston, Burley, Jerome, Caldwell, Nampa, and four at ICfL. VSAs give 10 weeks of service during the summer to help build the capacity of the organization they're working with. The four VSAs at ICfL are supporting Boise Public Library- Main, Hillcrest and Collister branches, Garden City Library, and Ada Community Library. They are also doing summer reading activities



at three Community Centers in Boise, the library at Desert Sage Elementary School, and the day camps run by Boise City Parks and Recreation. If you see them around the office or in the parks please welcome Karen, Kaitlin, Levi, and Sarah. The other VSAs around the state are Aubry, Autum, Bonnie, Cole, Damien and Jamie. We're excited to have all of them working in the library world this summer.

The VSAs around the state come to their positions with a variety of skills and background. Some are students, some are teachers, and some are doing VISTA work to help them figure out what they want to do with their lives. The VSAs are doing outreach in the parks and schools so that summer learning loss is less of an issue in these communities.

In July there will be more VISTAs on board at ICfL, as Julie Armstrong ends her second year of service. She will be staying at ICfL for a while as a Project Coordinator, helping the programs she's been working on become more sustainable. In her place will be two AmeriCorps VISTAs, Shondell Maillo and Sabonn Dammarell. They will be starting service on July 14<sup>th</sup> and will be serving for a year. We're looking forward to tapping into their skills and abilities to augment the Read to Me programs. It has been an amazing two years for me as I've worked with the Read to Me team and librarians throughout the state. I don't think that the general public realizes how far-stretching and hard working librarians and their programming is. It has been an honor and a pleasure to get to know you all, and I look forward to working with you for a while longer in a different capacity. The guard is changing but will still be present.



## CE NEWS YOU CAN USE

### Webjunction Training Events

<https://www.webjunction.org/find-training/free-events.html>

A special session of Info2Go! this month – anyone going to ALA for the first time at the end of the month, be sure to tune in on Monday June 16 for a session just for 1<sup>st</sup> Time ALA Conference Attendees! This is a very large conference – spread over a large conference center and several hotels – get tips and tricks from seasoned veterans on how to make the most of your conference attendance without becoming overwhelmed, lost, or just dog-tired! June 16 – 12:30 pm Mountain Time at <http://icfl.adobeconnect.com/ce> -- see you then!

### Alliance for Excellent Education Archived Events

**Webinar: [Transforming Spaces to Transform Learning: Connected Learning in Action \(April 3, 2014\)](#):** This Google Hangout explored how one Pennsylvania school district has transformed librarians into guides; study carrels into beanbag chairs; and a library into a learning environment where students can grab a coffee, explore new technology, discuss projects with friends, and work with mentors.

### Creative Spaces and Family Engagement in Libraries

**Presenter:** [Bridget Alexander](#)

**Date:** Thursday, June 12, 2014 **Start Time:** 12 Noon Pacific

- Struggling to infuse creativity into a cramped, quiet or quirky space?
- Tired of following powerful literature with cookie cutter crafts?
- Confounded by events attended by children 2 to 18 years old?
- Think you have to be an artist to engage children in the arts?

As an institution, the library has the power to teach families the joy and meaning derived from the creative process. Yet, too often, after a powerful story, we shut down the opportunity for authentic, individual responses by asking children to mass produce popsicle stick protagonists or glue soaked story props.

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## Making Your Maker Space: Building for Hands-on Learning in Libraries



Presented by: *Library Journal*, Humphries Poli Architects, Demco, & MSR Design

Event Date & Time: Wednesday, June 18, 2014, 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM EDT / 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM PDT

Libraries around the world are undergoing considerable changes in response to the ever evolving technological landscape and patron needs. Maker Spaces are surfacing constantly and forcing libraries to examine their role in hands-on learning.

[http://lj.libraryjournal.com/2014/06/webcasts/making-your-maker-space-building-for-hands-on-learning-in-libraries/#\\_](http://lj.libraryjournal.com/2014/06/webcasts/making-your-maker-space-building-for-hands-on-learning-in-libraries/#_)

## Continuing Education Topics Survey

The Idaho Commission for Libraries is connecting with new continuing education webinar/course providers. To make sure we provide access to continuing education that is most relevant to you, please take a moment and complete this one-question survey by selecting five continuing education topics that will help you improve your workflow and / or library services.

The survey can be accessed at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CYQT3ZZ> -- Survey closes on Friday, June 13!

# MULTICULTURAL CONNECTIONS

## 14 {Fun} Multicultural Education Activities

Check out this blog with great activities for kids!

<http://kidsactivitiesblog.com/24727/multicultural-education-activities>

## More Resources

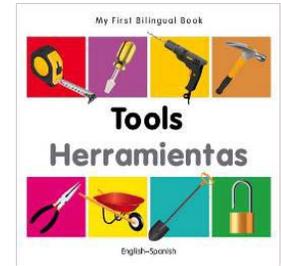
Looking for more multicultural resources? Check out the EdChange project.

<http://www.edchange.org/multicultural/>

and a new publisher I found with bilingual books: <http://www.milet.com/>.

## Bilingual Board Books Coming

My First Bilingual Books has a series of board books planned for release in September 2014 including: Clothes/Ropa, Plants/Plantas, School/Colegio, Tools/Herramientas, and Vehicles/Vehículos,



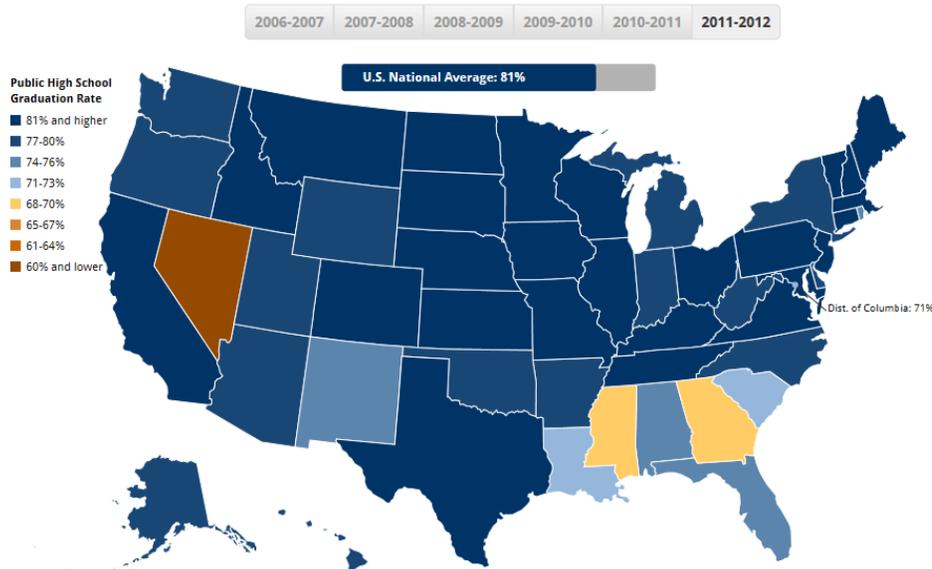
## KNOW THE NUMBERS

### Graduation Rate Trends 2006-2012

This interactive map shows graduation rates for the United States from 2006-2007 through 2011-2012. The “Diplomas Count 2014” report is linked on the site as well.

[www.edweek.org/ew/dc/2014/grad-rate-trends.html?cmp=ENL-EU-NEWS2](http://www.edweek.org/ew/dc/2014/grad-rate-trends.html?cmp=ENL-EU-NEWS2)

#### Graduation Rate Trends 2006-2007 to 2011-2012



## STEAM IS EVERYWHERE

### President Obama Announces Competition for Teachers of Math and Science

Obama announced a new \$35 million Education Department competition to train the best math and science teachers. He also announced an expansion of AmeriCorps to help teach science and math to 18,000 low-income students this summer, and national science and math mentoring projects in Chicago; Philadelphia; San Francisco; Allentown, Pennsylvania; Indianapolis; the Research Triangle Park in North Carolina; and Wichita, Kansas.

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## STEM Needs a New Letter

There is a lot of discussion about whether we need the ARTS in STEM. This is a great [article](#) that might help frame the discussion for those wanting to learn more and decide for themselves.

## The Board Game For Little Programmers



Robot Turtles is a board game you play with your favorite 3 to 8-year-old kids. It sneakily teaches the fundamentals of programming. The game was successfully funded through kickstarter and is now on the shelves at some of the major stores out there!

## Role Models Matter Toolkit

### An initiative to prepare STEM professionals for outreach

This toolkit might be designed for STEM professionals, but there is great advice and guidance provided that can benefit anyone doing outreach. Check out the toolkit and the resource page for even more wonderful ideas for STEM.



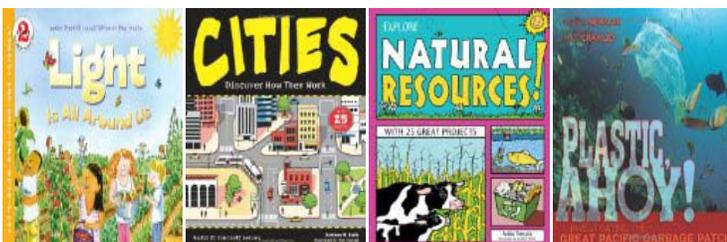
# BOOK LOOK

## Summer Science Reads

### Summer Science Experiments

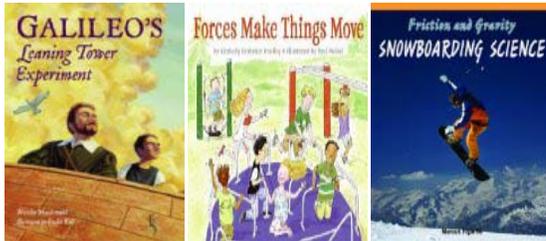
Summer is almost here—the perfect time for students to explore the world of science away from the classroom. The following books about science experiments are a great place to start.

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## Forces & Motion

Even young children understand that Superman has enough force to stop a moving train or alter the direction of an asteroid, but a true understanding of what force is exactly may be elusive. The books in this annotated bibliography provide a solid introduction to the ups and downs of forces and the three laws of motion, developed by Sir Isaac Newton.



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**Talk Back:** *We welcome your feedback on anything in The Scoop. Just email [Stephanie](#), [Staci](#), or [Erica](#) and we'll print your comments in The Scoop.*

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