

5th Grade Places to Visit in the Summer

Starting July 7, Bank of America® and Merrill Lynch® card holders can get complimentary admission to seven New Jersey museums -- all of them family-friendly -- the first weekend of each month. Just present your credit or debit card and a picture ID for one free general admission. Visitors still have to pay for children's admission. Participating locations include:

- Garden State Discovery Museum in Cherry Hill
- Hunterdon Art Museum in Clinton
- Liberty Science Center in Jersey City
- WheatonArts and Cultural Center in Millville
- Montclair Art Museum in Montclair
- Morris Museum in Morristown
- Aljira, A Center for Contemporary Art in Newark

Saturdays, July 7 onward Keep cool the first Saturday in every month at the Freehold Raceway Mall at the [Kids Club: Powered by Nat Geo Kids](#), with fun activities, free carousel rides, and prize drawings.

Creative kids can drop in each Wednesday and unleash their creativity at the New Jersey State Museum's Summer Maker Space. Each week a different hands-on challenge will be offered for young inventors to make and take home. This free program is held in the museum's Innovation Studio.

Thursday, July 26 A kids' movie in a theater for free? Yup! [Mayo Performing Arts Center](#) kicks off its summer movie series with *The Greatest Showman*..

Saturday, July 14 Take a bite out of summer as Jenkinson's Boardwalk celebrates [Shark Awareness Day](#).

Bake with Your Child- anytime! Practice equivalent fractions, adding fractions, and working with fractions overall!

Take a nature hike- anytime! Look for different species, how they interact, what they need to survive, etc. You can also visit [The New Weis Center for Education, Arts & Recreation](#) for a guided hike!

Look at the stars! Download a free app, such as Skyview Free, Night Sky Light, NASA App, and Star Chart

Have your student invent something! How much weight can it hold? Could they have used less material? What could make it even better?

ReadingTips and Sites

Links below are for additional summer reading lists and tools to help with book selection.

*Books, Reviews, Authors, and Children's Book Choice Awards: www.kidsreads.com

*Tool to help find a book that's just right! www.bookadventure.com

www.scholastic.com/teachers (look for Book Wizard)

*Summer Reading Lists by Grade:

www.hbook.com

www.scholastic.com/teachers/article/summer-reading-tips-students-and-parents

*Fun websites to keep reading skills sharp:

www.funbrain.com

www.abcya.com

www.readworks.org

~ Novels in Verse/Graphic Novels~

Crossover.....Alexander
Lunch Lady (series).....Knopf
The Baby-Sitter Club Graphix.....Telgemeier
Sunny Side Up.....Holm

~Fiction: Action/Adventure/Humor/Myth/Mystery~

A Dog's LifeMartin
BFG.....Dahl
Candymakers.....Mass
ChampJones
Cleo Edison Oliver, Playground Millionaire.....Frazier
CoralineGaiman
Crimebiters!.....Greenwald
Diary of a Wimpy Kid, (Series) Kinney
Dogs Don't Tell Jokes or Small StepsSachar
Dragons of DeltoraRodda
Dying to Meet YouKlise
Earthquake TerrorKehret
Flora & Ulysses.....DiCamillo
Foxcraft: The Taken.....Iserles
Gaby, Lost and Found.....Cervantes
Game Changers Play Makers.....Lupica
Hank Zipzer (Series)Winkler/Oliver
Key to Extraordinary, The.....Lloyd
Little Secret, TheSaunders
Lost and FoundClements
Love that DogCreech
May Bird, (Series) Anderson
Misadventures of Benjamin Bartholomew PiffLethcoe
My Life as a Cartoonist.....Tasjian
The Oodlethunks.....Griffin

Peter Nimble.....Auxier
 Robot's Go WildPatterson
 Room OneClements
 School's OutHurwitz
 Secret ZooChick
 Space Taxi (series)Mass, Brawer
 Spaced OutGibbs
 Stick Dog (Series)Watson
 Trumpet of the SwanWhite
 Tuck EverlastingBabbitt
 Twice Upon a Time (series).....Mass
 Urban OutlawsBlack
 Warriors, seriesHunter
 Wild RobotBrown
 Worst Class Trip Ever, The.....Barry

~Realistic Fiction~

Allie, First at Last.....Cervantes
 Anything but Typical.....Baskin
 Cake, Pop Crush.....Nelson
 I Funny TV.....Patterson
 Jake Maddox Sports (Series).....Maddox
 Justin Case: School, DroolVail
 Landry News, The- Clements
 London Eye Mystery, The-Dowd
 Music of Dolphins, The-Hesse
 Pick of the Litter- Wallace
 Save Me A Seat.....Weeks
 Sit, Stay Love.....Howard
 Skink, No Surrender.....Knopf
 Song of the Trees-Taylor
 Week in the Woods, A-Clements
 WonderPalacio

~Historical Fiction~

American Girl (Series)-various
 Caleb's Story- 3.1 or Skylark-Maclachlan

Dear America (Series)Various
Little House on the Prairie-Wilder
Nory Ryan's Song-Giff
Out of the Dust-.....Hesse
Run Away Home-McKissak
Titanic Crossing-Williams
Some Kind of Courage.....Gemeinhart
Thunder at Gettysburg-Gauch
Watsons Go to Birmingham, The-Curtis

~Classics~

A Little Princess-Burnett
Ann of Green Gables-Montgomery
Black Beauty-Sewell
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory-Dahl
Charlotte's Web-White
Chronicles of Narnia, The (Series)Lewis
King Arthur-(Scholastic Junior Classics).....Mason
*Tales from the Odyssey (Series)-Osborne