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# Enjoy Summer Reading 2020 at the Merced County Library!

Summer Reading 2020 is up and running through Aug. 1, and is open to all ages — from babies to seniors.

The theme is all about discovery, exploration, and investigation: digging deeper into stories, discovering new facts, learning about new places and cultures, and appreciating the science behind our daily lives.

It is also a great time to observe and explore the world around us, whether virtually or just in our own backyards. Through our social media platforms, we are excited to bring our community StoryTimes, fun activities to do at home, and professional music and science programs throughout June and July. Programs include a series of online workshops offered by experts in theater, thanks to a partnership with Playhouse Merced. Summer Reading is possible thanks to generous donations from the Friends of the Merced County Library.

Sign up online at: [mcl.bookpoints.org](http://mcl.bookpoints.org) to earn prizes, share book reviews, and

enjoy activities and events!

While school is out, students can experience “summer slide,” which is a dip in reading/academic skills during the summer months. According to recent academic studies, an average of 20 percent in reading skill gains are lost in students in 3rd through 5th grade over the course of the summer. Fortunately, students only need to read five books to avoid that slide, and the library is here to help.

Library staff members are happy to answer your questions about Summer Reading or process your new library card, call 209-385-7484. Visit them online at [mercedcountylibrary.org](http://mercedcountylibrary.org). Help build a community of readers, sign up today!

All branches of the Merced County Library remain closed at this time due to state orders regarding COVID-19. However, these programs and several other resources are available online at [mercedcountylibrary.org](http://mercedcountylibrary.org). Additional information will be released when the library branches are reopened to the public.

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