

# FAMILY SUMMER READING GUIDE

Keep reading simple, positive, and consistent over the summer with Amira. Amira listens as your child reads aloud, provides help when needed, and gives practice with important reading skills like sounds, words, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension. Using Amira over the summer helps your child build on the progress they made this year and grow into a more confident reader.

## How Often Should My Child Use Amira?

**Aim for 2–3 days per week, 10–15 minutes per session** – about 30–60 minutes of reading with Amira weekly.

**Pro Tip:** Short, consistent practice is more effective than long, occasional sessions.

## Tips for Success

- ✓ **Pick 2–3 reading days.** Choose days that work best for your family.
- ✓ **Remind your child to log in.** Help them get started if needed.
- ✓ **Find a quiet spot.** Your child should read where Amira can hear their voice clearly.
- ✓ **Use headsets with a mic if possible.** Headsets help Amira hear your child more clearly.
- ✓ **Encourage your child to read aloud clearly.** Amira will listen and help when your child gets stuck.
- ✓ **Stay nearby.** Your child may need support getting started or staying on track.
- ✓ **Celebrate effort.** Praise effort, not just correct answers. Teachers may also distribute badges to celebrate progress.

**Reminder:** You do not need to teach the lesson. Amira will guide the reading practice.

## Beyond Amira: More Ways to Read at Home

Amira is only one part of summer reading. Other great options include:

- Reading a library book together
- Listening to your child read aloud
- Reading signs, recipes, menus, or directions
- Talking about new words
- Asking your child to retell what happened in a story
- Letting your child choose books they enjoy

## What If My Child Gets Frustrated?

If reading time gets tough, try this:

- Keep it short and positive
- Take a short break
- Remind your child that reading takes practice
- Help them restart if needed
- Stop for the day if they are too frustrated

**Remember:** The goal is steady practice, not perfection.