Alaskan educators and parents were asked, “If you were to fill a student backpack full of learning tools for summer, what would be your go-to, must-have items?” This Alaska Adventures in Learning resource was created with input from those Alaskans and showcases effective summer learning activities, strategies, tools, and resources that practitioners have used and found to be effective with their students.
Alaska Adventures in Learning
Resources for Summer Learning

Reading Resources: looking for grade-level reading resources? Access online at Curriculum Associates for free printable lessons, support, and activities in reading, writing, and language skills and strategies.

- **Ology: Science for Kids** is an iPad app from the American Museum of Natural History intended to infuse scientific knowledge into young people’s heads. It does this with a mix of book-like pages and interactivity, covering a range of subjects in its few dozen sections.

- **DragonBox** Developed and published by a Norwegian studio, DragonBox is perfect for kids who love learning mathematics. It offers six different games classified into two subgroups.

- **Winky Think Logic Puzzles** An impressive 180 logic puzzles makes this the perfect educational game to help your kids analyze and solve problems in a creative and fun manner. If you want to develop your child’s analytical and problem-solving skills, we recommend this app that challenges the brain and motor skills.

Math Resources: looking for grade-level math resources? Access online for free printable lessons, guides, answer keys, and activities in math practice, instruction, and enrichment.

- **Duolingo ABC** is an educational aid, designed to help young children familiarize themselves with reading and writing. Much like the Duolingo language-learning app, lessons take the form of mini-games - although the ones here are designed to be approachable enough for young children, with minimal input from adults.

- **Stack the States** This app will turn your student into a geography genius. Stack the States allows children to learn the capitals, shapes, geographic locations, and flags of each of the states in the United States.

- **Zen Studio** is all about helping children relax and focus, by providing a kind of finger-painting that can only exist in the digital realm. Frankly, we take issue with the ‘children’ bit, because Zen Studio has a welcoming and pleasing nature that should ensure it’s a hit with every iPad user.

- **iPad: explore suggested educational applications**