

Using Core5® in Summer Programs

Building and Reinforcing Literacy Skills

Summer school is an opportunity for students to build key literacy skills and to make continued progress with skills they have developed during the school year. Because intensive summer programs have different schedules and routines than the school year, here are some tips to help with planning.

Preview Lexia Instructional Resources

A variety of materials are available to support students working in Core5, including Lexia Lessons®, Lexia Skill Builders®, and Lexia Connections. All resources can be found in the *Resources* tab of the myLexia educator platform. You can also use the Search box to locate a particular skill.

Ensure ample opportunities for online work

Maximizing time spent online is particularly important for students working in a Core5 level that is below their grade level. Students can work online independently on tablets, laptops, desktops, in the classroom, in a lab, or anywhere they have internet access and a compatible device.

Provide targeted, individual instruction

Teacher-led support may be especially helpful for students who have been out of the classroom and working below grade level. Check the *Class Overview* tab in myLexia for recommended Lexia Lessons for each student. Student materials, such as letter tiles, flashcards, and graphic organizers, are included in Lexia Lessons. These resources and Lexia Lessons in a slide deck presentation format are available on the [Support for Instruction](#) page of the Core5 Resources Hub.

Deliver whole group lessons

Lexia Lessons can also be used for whole group instruction. Within the whole group, determine the grade level that is most appropriate for the largest number of students, and start by teaching the lessons designated for this grade. Adaptations included in each Lexia Lesson will help you differentiate your instruction.

Promote application and practice

Reinforce and enhance online learning with Lexia Skill Builders. This student resource is available in digital and printable formats. Consider sharing Skill Builders from the previous two levels a student completed as one way to review skills that were covered during the school year.

Lexia Decodable Readers offer additional opportunities for students to practice foundational reading skills with engaging narrative and informational texts. Detailed teacher guides provide instructional routines, fluent reading strategies, and text-specific discussion prompts. Visit the [Support for Instruction](#) page on the Core5 Resources Hub to access Student Readers and Teacher Guides.

Organize small groups

Use your students' placement in Core5 to form small groups for face-to-face instruction and partner work. Consider grouping by grade level of material. Explore the myLexia library of Lexia Connections for activity suggestions to introduce or extend skills and to provide opportunities for peer collaboration.

Enlist family support

Suggest hands-on activities to keep students engaged in learning at home during the summer program. Share Lexia's Read @ Home newsletter or the Summer Reading Bingo Challenge. These resources are available on the [School to Home](#) page of the Core5 Resources Hub.

Celebrate success!

Because it can be challenging to keep students motivated during summer months, find reasons to celebrate. Student successes can include completion of an activity, good attendance, or perseverance through challenging tasks. [Student Achievement](#) materials can be found on the Core5 Resources Hub.