

OC Read Newsletter



Literacy Fact: Any type of writing can yield emotional, intellectual, and psychological benefits, improve memory functions, and bring greater happiness. This is why many people like to keep a personal diary or journal and jot down anything that comes to their minds.

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VOCABULARY

Click on the [purple](#) words to learn more.

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As summer approaches, the great outdoors calls us to explore sparkling oceans, sandy beaches, [towering](#) redwood forests, and winding trails that lead to caves, mountain tops, and secret beach coves. The United States boasts over 400 National Parks, with the top ten including Yosemite and Sequoia National Park—two of California's awe-inspiring treasures. From Death Valley to the Channel Islands, California is the home of nine National Parks and 279 State Parks that [encompass](#) 340 miles of coastline, 15,000 campsites, and 5,200 miles of trails.

So as you head out into the great outdoors this summer, don't forget to stop by the library and pick up a few good summer reads to take along on the adventure.



Learner Successes



Congratulations to Noriko, who recently wrapped up meeting with her tutor. Noriko, your time and dedication are very much appreciated. Best of luck to you in the future!

Ardo, thank you for being so patient while you waited for a new tutor. Congratulations on your match!

Congratulations to Yuko for finishing her meetings with her tutor! We appreciate all your hard work and wish you the best of luck in all your future endeavors!

Nice work, everyone!

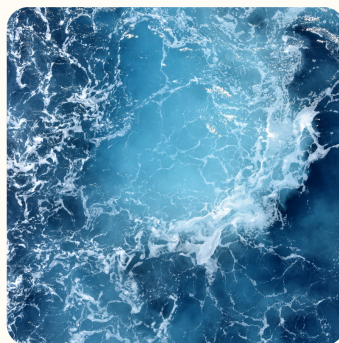


TUTOR CLASSES

These classes are open to all OC Read tutors. To register for a class, follow the "To RSVP" instructions below each description.

Beyond Boundaries Tutoring

Monday, June 13 @ 5 PM
Virtual Event
To RSVP, contact OC Read



BBT meetings are your space to share, collaborate, and learn from your fellow tutors.

All tutors are welcome, regardless of if you are meeting, matched, or waitlisted.

The topic for June's BBT is *selecting materials*. Bring your best tips for finding reading materials for beginning readers.

Tutoring Tip

The three main senses a learner uses in developing literacy skills are hearing, sight, and touch. Many tutors find that using multisensory teaching helps learners process information and skills.

A multisensory approach to teaching and learning involves all three of these senses. It has the following advantages:

- It ensures that the tutor will provide opportunities for a learner to use the sense that works best, even if the tutor is not sure what the sense is.
- The more senses a learner users, the more likely they will remember/retain the information.
- People tend to rely on different senses depending on the tasks at hand.

Lipke, T. (2013). Learning Differences and Learning Disabilities. In Teaching adults: A literacy resource book. essay, New Readers Press, ProLiteracy's Publishing Division.

Reminders

Reports

Monthly reports open on June 20 and close June 30. Log in to your tutor account at americalearns.net/ocread to complete your report.



LEARNER CLASSES

These classes are open to all OC Read learners. To register for a class, follow the "To RSVP" instructions below each description.

Learner Leadership Table

Saturday, June 25 @ 11 AM

Virtual Event

To RSVP, contact OC Read

In this 1-hour Zoom meeting, get to know your fellow learners, share successes, discuss challenges, and become a Learner Leader.

Your ideas can help shape the direction of OC Read adult programming and pave the way for future adult learners like you.

Think about these questions to prepare for the meeting:

What are you doing in the program, the library, or in your community?

What do you want to do in the program, the library, or the community?

This program is for adult learners only.

Writing Prompt

What is your favorite kind of food to eat or cook? What [ingredients](#) does it have? Is it something you eat all the time, or is it just for special occasions?

Send in your writing by June 20 for a chance to be featured in next month's newsletter!

Email your work to:
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LITERACY EVENTS

These classes are open to the public.

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Family Literacy Day

Saturday, June 4 @ 11 AM - 3 PM

Tustin Library

345 E Main Street, Tustin, CA 92780

No registration required.

Join the OC Read staff for an exciting day full of learning and fun! We'll be hosting activities, crafts, and more to go along with the Summer Reading theme of camping and the great outdoors. Highlights of the day include:

Wild Wonders @ 11 AM

Storytime & Crafts @ 12 PM

Author Stuart Gibbs @ 2 PM

Activities are available for all ages.



Click the picture for a larger view.

Family Literacy Tip

Summer Reading Road Trip!



Go on a summer reading road trip with your family! Read books together about the places you will go and talk about what you will do when you get there. Find the places on a map and choose the best route to get there.

Can't get away this summer? Choose books about the places you would like to visit and make up a story together about what might happen there.

Then, create a travel [brochure](#) by folding a piece of paper three times. Find pictures, facts, and fun things to do or see at your destination and add them to your brochure.

This can keep your children reading during the summer. Teach them about the world around them, and give you ideas for future trips!



Reading Comprehension

Check next month's Newsletter for the answers!

Galileo and His Telescope

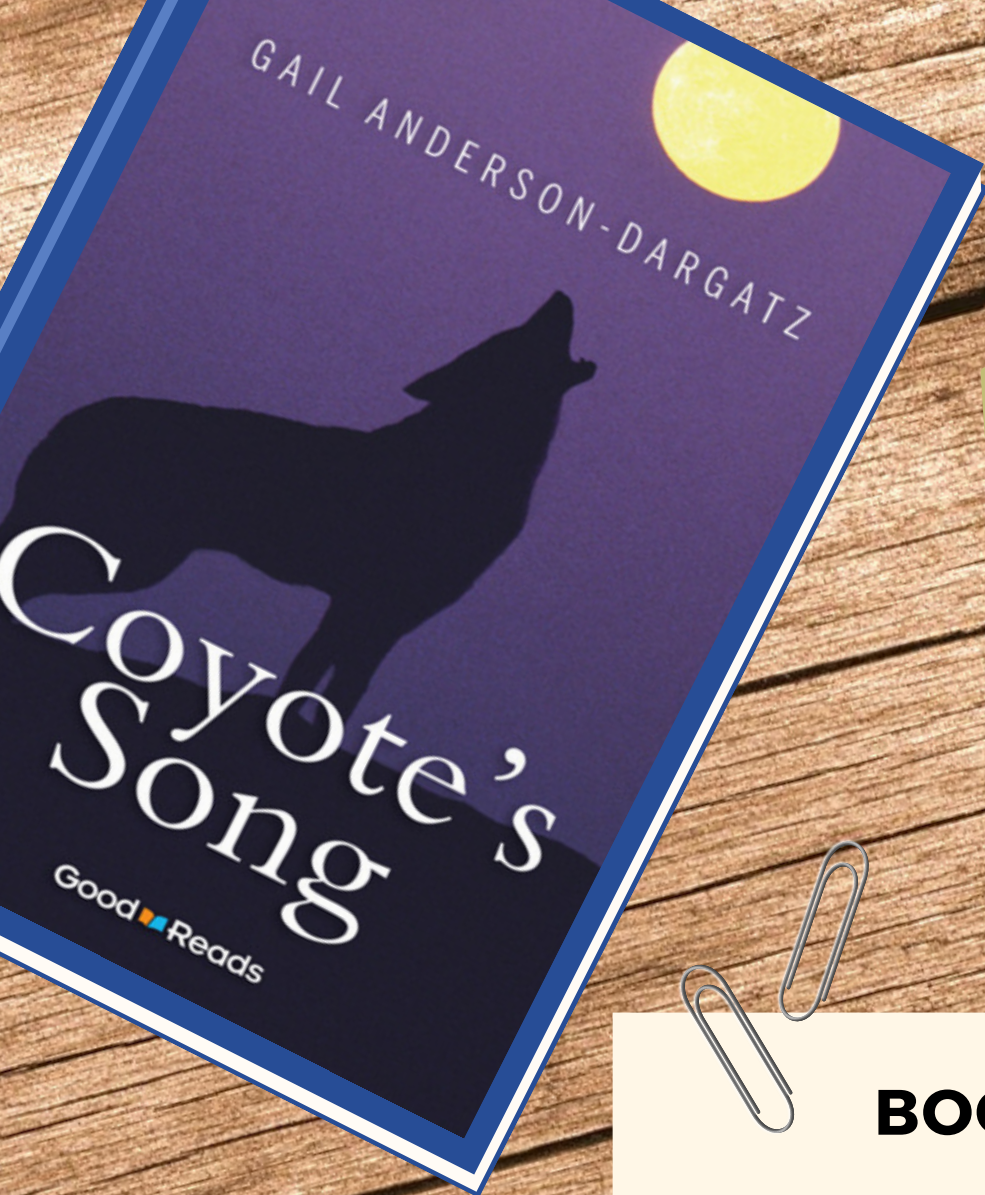
Galileo (gal-ih-lay-oh) was born in 1564 in Pisa, Italy. Galileo liked math. He did so well that the court [mathematician](#) (math-uh-muh-tish-uhn), or somebody who studies math for a living, said that he would take Galileo as a student.

Galileo needed to find a way to earn money, so he began [experimenting](#) (ek-speer-uh-men-ting), or testing different ideas, for new inventions (in-ven-shuhns) he could sell. Another inventor had come up with something called a spyglass for seeing far away, but the other inventor was keeping it a secret. Galileo decided to make one himself. In just one day, he had come up with a telescope (tel-uh-schohp) that could make things look ten times larger than real life.

With his telescope, Galileo looked at the sky and saw that the moon was not smooth like everyone thought. It had many dips and bumps in it. Over the years, people have made many [improvements](#) (im-proov-ments) to the telescope. Today, the Hubble Telescope can see light from a star almost 13 billion light-years away. That's really, really far!

1. What country is Pisa in?
 - a. Brazil
 - b. Germany
 - c. Italy
2. What do you call someone who studies math for a living?
 - a. Mathematicus
 - b. Mathematician
 - c. Not very smart
3. What does *experimenting* mean?
 - a. Testing different ideas
 - b. Making up stories
 - c. Studying animals
4. How long did it take to invent the telescope?
 - a. 13 years
 - b. 10 days
 - c. 1 day
5. What made Galileo think up a telescope?
 - a. Another inventor made something similar
 - b. He was bored
 - c. An apple fell on his head
6. How far away is the star the Hubble Telescope can see?
 - a. 100 million miles
 - b. 13 billion light-years
 - c. 10 parsecs





Title: Coyote's Song
Author: Gail Anderson-Dargatz

Text Difficulty: 1
Lexile Measure: 410
[*Click here for Lexile measure chart](#)

BOOK NOOK

Sara used to be a back-up singer in a band. She left her singing career to raise a family. She is content with being a stay-at-home mom. Then, one Saturday, Sara's world changes.

Sara and her family go to an outdoor music festival. There, on stage, Sara sees Jim, the lead singer from her old band. He invites her to sing with him. Being on stage brings back forgotten feelings for Sara - and for Jim. And Sara's husband Rob sure doesn't like what he sees.

Sara also sees something else: a coyote. Learn how Coyote, the trickster spirit, turns Sara's life upside down.

[Click here
for the
reading_guide](#)

This is an ebook. You can find it here:
ocpl.overdrive.com/media/1012673?cid=1084450

Word Game

R E V I R J T L L P D T J H H
L Z J Z E Z A L Y B E F Y Q D
E E M G F C O M N M I A L N Y
F F C P T M B X F T Z Q R R I
B B Z K L U M T H W H N E L F
N S Q M T R A N P I G T K X S
P B S W E D E C H P S D Z A V
M X Y J W E T V Q Y C U C N B
Y J Y Z H R S J M W T R R N D
H D E T E C T I V E U V T O O
S T L O E M O V I I B Z F M A
F P A Z R Q P Q S C W I N I K
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Y B O R D N O O M Y E N O H B
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cruise

honeymoon

pearls

death

murder

river

detective

mystery

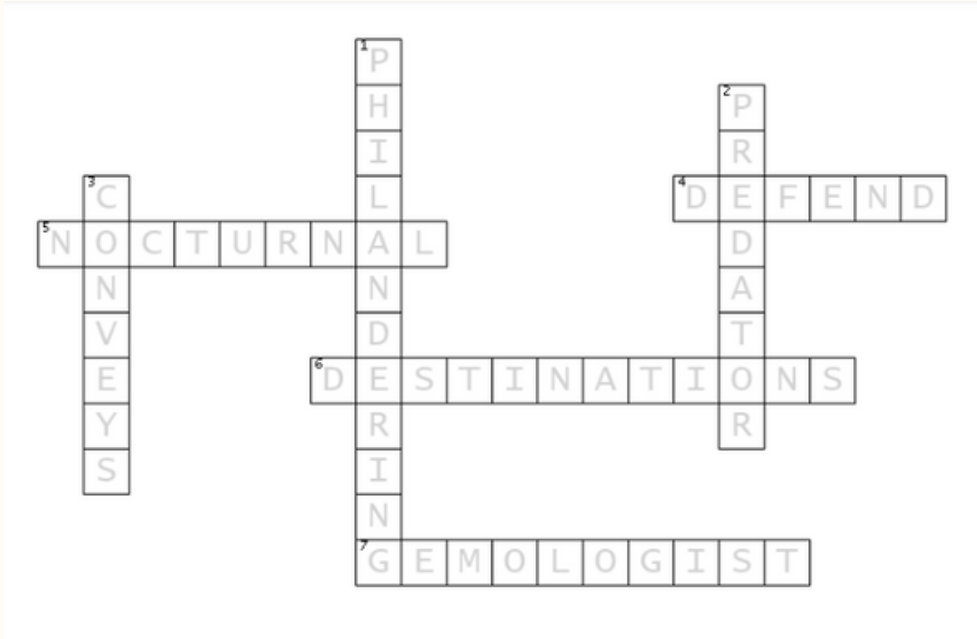
steamboat

Hint: This book was turned
into a movie that came out in
February starring Kenneth
Branagh!

Check next month's
newsletter for the answer key!

May Answer Key

Word Game



Across

- 4. defend - protect yourself from attack
- 5. nocturnal - active at night
- 6. destinations - the places a person travels to
- 7. gemologist - someone who studies gems

Down

- 1. philandering - when a married person has many affairs
- 2. predator - something that preys on other animals
- 3. conveys - communicates or makes known

Reading Comprehension – An Owl is a Bird

- 1. a. A bird
- 2. b. It is awake at night
- 3. b. Its soft feathers make it quiet
- 4. c. A predator
- 5. a. It cannot turn its eyes like humans do
- 6. c. All of the above

Spotlight: More programs from OC Public Libraries

Career Online High School

Earn your high school diploma by taking classes online during times that are convenient for you. For more information, click on the flyer, or visit ocpl.org/page/career-online-high-school



English Conversation Clubs

Are you learning English as a second (or third, or fourth) language? Join one of OC Public Libraries' many ESL conversation clubs. These clubs are a fun way to meet new people, learn new words, and share your skills. All levels of English speaking ability are encouraged to attend. The Aliso Viejo branch has started a new group! Click on the flyer for more details.

Contact OC Read to find out if there is an English conversation club at a branch near you.

