

# Ideas and resources for Library Programming

**Coloring Program Ideas Ideas:** Ultimate Guide to Coloring Programs

<https://ideas.demco.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/UltimateGuideColoringPrograms.pdf>

12 Tips for a Killer Coloring Program <https://ideas.demco.com/blog/12-tips-killer-coloring-program-library/> Librarians

Free Printable Adult Coloring Pages <https://thefarmgirlgabs.com/free-printable-adult-coloring-pages/>

**Days to Highlight:** Days/Weeks/Months to Feature in Promotion

Activity Calendar: <https://ideas.demco.com/tag/activity-calendar/>

Calendar National Days: <https://nationaldaycalendar.com/> Hover over each day of the calendar (on right of page.)

Weeks to celebrate: <http://www.ala.org/conferenceevents/celebrationweeks>

**DIY Idea Kits to take home:** Weaving ideas for kids: <https://childhood101.com/weaving-ideas-kids/>

**Facebook Groups:** Programming Librarian Interest Group—Ideas on Programs; Library Bulletin Boards and Displays

**Free printable** activities, crafts, and ideas for kids (Search for reading or books on each site)

<https://thekindergartenconnection.com/tag/free-printable/>

Library Games for Kids (free printables for easy summer learning)

<https://frugalfloidamom.com/2017/05/10/library-games-free-printables-for-easy-summer-learning/amp/>

Teachers pay teachers (free downloads for books, libraries, reading, etc.)

<https://www.teacherspayteachers.com/Browse/Price-Range/Free> (There are also items to purchase if you choose.)

**Ideas for Summer Reading Clubs:** <https://ministry-to-children.com/church-summer-reading-programs/>

How to create a Knockout Summer Literacy Program by Karen Springen

<https://www.slj.com/?detailStory=how-to-create-a-knockout-summer-literacy-program>

Intrinsic vs extrinsic Motivation in Summer Reading <https://ideas.demco.com/blog/intrinsic-motivators-summer-reading/>

Small Steps to Summer Learning Your Library Can Make Today by Erin Hoag

<https://ideas.demco.com/blog/small-steps-to-summer-learning/>

Ideas for Summer Reading Swag: <http://www.5minlib.com/2016/08/50-popular-programming-for-adults.html>

**Makerspace Ideas:** <https://ideas.demco.com/tag/getting-started-with-makerspace/>

**Miscellaneous:** Escape room ideas: <https://escaperoomgeeks.com/diy-puzzles/?pp=0&epik=dj0yJnU9SWVPcidTeXp1NXy3YUV0RG85bDFzc2VzdHJ1UHRLVjUmcD0xJm49MTVQcFdWaoJXTkYzT0hCVnFGUjktUSZ0PUFBQUFBR0hrenBN>

Escape rooms: (different ages included) <https://www.cc-pl.org/digital-escape-rooms-2> (for computer or tablets)

Scavenger Hunt Ideas: <https://www.thedatingdivas.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/Library-Scavenger-Hunt.pdf>

Minute to Win It Ideas <https://www.playpartyplan.com/minute-to-win-it-games-for-kids/#games>

**Programming Activity Ideas:** <https://www.peacelibrarysystem.ab.ca/Training-Toolkit/Library-Basics/Programming-Ideas>

Chocolate Olympics/Lego Build Tournament/Cardboard City/ <https://ontarianlibrarian.com/library-program-ideas/>

Exercise Ideas (Active) <https://letsmovelibraries.org/program-ideas/>

Passive Programming Ideas <https://librarylearn.org/programming-resources/>

Ideas for Programming for Adults: <http://www.5minlib.com/2016/08/50-popular-programming-for-adults.html>

**Promotion/Marketing Insights:**

17 Promotion Ideas for the Church Library: <https://www.religiousproductnews.com/17-promotion-ideas-for-the-church-library>

25 Ideas to Motivate Young Readers: [https://www.educationworld.com/a\\_lesson/lesson/lesson035.shtml](https://www.educationworld.com/a_lesson/lesson/lesson035.shtml)

\*\*Library Marketing: <http://www.5minlib.com/search/label/Marketing>

Instagram Challenge: <http://www.5minlib.com/2015/09>

\*\*Short You-Tube Library Marketing Videos: <https://www.youtube.com/hashtag/librarymarketing>

**Social Media Instruction** (and general computer help)

GCF Learn Free: Step by step instructions on many subjects [www.gcflearnfree.org](http://www.gcflearnfree.org) Click on Topics for help.

Akron-Summit County Public Library: Free printable handouts.

[www.akronlibrary.org/services/computer-training/handouts](http://www.akronlibrary.org/services/computer-training/handouts)