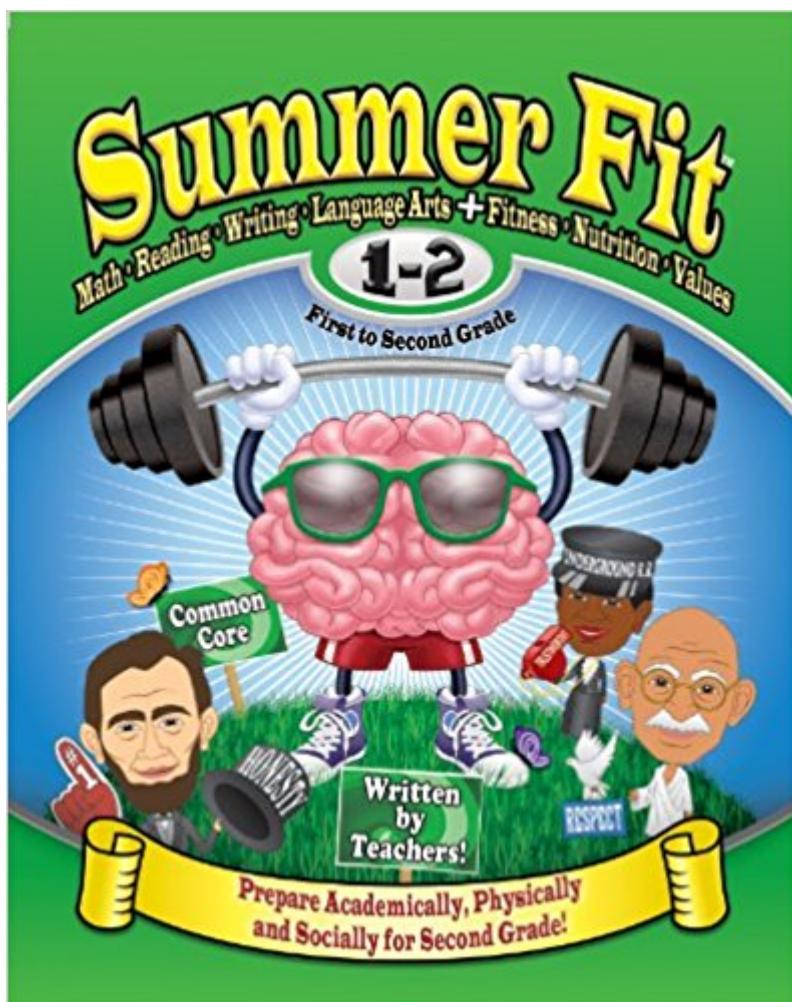


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# Summer Fit First To Second Grade: Math, Reading, Writing, Language Arts + Fitness, Nutrition And Values



## **Synopsis**

Summer Fit Activity Books move summer learning beyond academics to also prepare children physically and socially for the grade ahead. Academic exercises are based on Common Core standards and include skills in math, reading, writing, language arts and science. Fitness exercises are designed to jump start the recommended 60 minutes of active play a day that children need to grow up healthy. Role models from throughout the world including Abraham Lincoln, Gandhi and Harriet Tubman help reinforce core values such as honesty, respect and trustworthiness. Summer Fit extends the summer learning experience online with free reading and math digital downloads, book reports, health and wellness activities and fitness videos. \* Based on Common Core: math, reading, writing, language arts and science \* Exercises jump start the recommended 60 minutes of daily movement and play \* Role models reinforce core values, good character and social skills \* Integrated academics and physical activities reinforce the importance of the body-brain connection \* Free digital downloads

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 6 - 7 years

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## **Customer Reviews**

Summer Fit is a great way to get kids moving during the summer! USA Cycling wants to see more kids on bikes and having fun while exercising. Summer Fit is a refreshing and fun way to encourage

kids to get outside and ride while supporting them academically! -- Sean Petty, COO, USA Cycling

Active Planet Kids (APK) is an Active Lifestyle and Educational company that focuses on both cognitive and non-cognitive development to create whole child learning experiences. APK products and resources help parents and children build healthy lifestyles, leadership and social responsibility as part of their overall academic success. Kelly Terrill is an educator and mother of seven who knows what it takes to challenge her children to strive for their unique, personal best. Balancing her life as an educator and mother Terrill is well organized, disciplined and committed to making a positive impact on her students/children. Kelly received her degree in education from the University of Utah and went on to work in Special Education and after-school programs before settling into her role as active parent and educator.

I purchased this workbook for my daughter who is six years old. She is just finishing kindergarten, and the kindergarten to first grade workbook was much too easy for her. The first to second grade was much closer to her learning level. The workbook is structured into ten weeks of five days per week lessons, for a total of 50 lessons. Each day, children are asked to complete mind, body, and reading activities and color in a star when they have completed their 20 minutes (total) of work for the day. At the outset of the program, there is a skills assessment test for the child to take, which is about four pages total of reading and math problems. There is an answer key provided at the back of the book. However, no instructions or guidance are provided if a child struggles in a particular area. I really enjoyed the fact that physical activities are part of each day's work. This is a great way to incorporate physical fitness five days a week during the summer break. There is also a mix of cardiovascular and strength training. For example, some of the cardiovascular activities are: playing tag, tree sprints, and jumping jacks. Strength exercises include leg scissors, ankle touches, and push-ups. The Biggest Loser contestants are featured in the book and on the book's website. I also really liked the values lessons each week. The values included in this book are: honesty, compassion, trustworthiness, self-discipline, kindness, courage, respect, responsibility, perseverance, and friendship. Each value is exemplified with a role model, such as Terry Fox, Mother Theresa and Abraham Lincoln. At the close of each week's values lesson, there is a suggested reading list of three, grade-specific books for further reading. There is a three page Summer Journal at the back of the book, where the child has lines to write about: family vacation, favorite outdoor summer activity, and their best friend. There are many references in the books to the company's website: [summerfitlearning.com](http://summerfitlearning.com) for videos, games and additional materials.

However, when I accessed the page at the end of May, there was only a countdown to summer clock and preview pages of the workbooks. I am hoping this will change to deliver the promised content. The book has a Summer Reading List, which I was not happy with. Having bought the Grade Two to Three Workbook for my older child, I immediately noticed that the Summer Reading List was exactly the same in both books. The titles range from "The Cat in the Hat" to "Freckle Juice" and "Clifford, the Big Red Dog." I can assure you that asking my third grader to read "The Cat in the Hat" was insulting! The reading list should have been grade-specific and not generic across the workbook series. The workbook asks the children to read the books on the list, complete a book report (which is at the back of the book) for each book they read. The problem is that there is only one book report form and 24 books on the list. You will need to copy or scan and print the book report page. All books on the list should be readily available at your local library's children's section, so you do not have to purchase additional materials. There are other things that are exactly the same across the workbook sets: the values order, the exercise plans are precisely the same down to the same page number, the introductory materials, the Fitness Index (which includes vocabulary words which should have been modified for age levels), and the values introduction at the opening of each new week is word-for-word identical. The authors clearly re-used content between workbooks. However, this could be a real advantage if you have several children working on this series for the summer, as it will be easier to keep their activities organized down to the same page number. The book refers to many websites that parents will need to visit before letting their children visit: [www.values.com](http://www.values.com), [www.myplate.gov](http://www.myplate.gov), [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov), [www.championsforchange.net](http://www.championsforchange.net), [www.stopbullying.gov](http://www.stopbullying.gov), and more. While there are things I did not like about this workbook, on the whole, I am very satisfied with it and look forward to using it, especially the fitness component, with my girls this summer.

This is for summer!!! Or as a good unschool/homeschool book. There's not a lot in them because it was intended for sort summer focuses. Plus, they have timed reading! Put a lot into the books they're going to spend 20 minutes a day reading. Or add your own chore list, to do star too it. This is a great way to get the kids to spend some time "thinking, reading, and healthy" without jumping through the school's hoops. Summer is short. So make the most of it. Versus the 180s of required 1 hr focus time they're going to spend in school. Be creative on your with this book. I'll be buying this book for my 7th grade going to 8th grade next summer.

I purchased this book for my 1st grader so that he would be prepared for second grade. I love the

book and they way that it is organized. I did not have to help him much with the layout and activities. He read them and we did them together. There is lots of room for physical and mental work in this book. I love that they give the children different games they can play that help them exercise. Overall, I think this book is a great balance for summer. It includes mental and physical work for kids so they don't have any trouble when entering the next grade. I will be buying this book for each of the next school years.

Really great book to keep your kids from forgetting everything over the summer. It's light and fun so it wont feel like school work, but it's just enough of a review so that they'll be ready for school in the fall.

I was just recently introduced to the new SUMMER FIT series and am excited about this new series of summer workbooks. We received our books just a few days ago and my kids love them! I spent some time and went thru each of my children's books (k-1 and 1-2) and was pleased at what I found. SUMMER FIT contains all the basic skill activities in reading, writing, math and language arts that I look for to keep my children on grade level during the summer, but it also includes a daily fitness program and core value activities to help develop good exercise habits and character skills. Both exercise and value activities are important parts of the book, but they do not take away from the educational value and my children will still get a full review of the grade they are leaving and a preview of the grade ahead. SUMMER FIT also includes online games with each book (there are 5 available) and my children love the brain on the cover! My biggest challenge is going to be keeping these books hidden from my kids until they are out of school for summer vacation! A lot of thought was put into this series and there are too many extras to mention- well done!

My 7 year old loves zipping through workbooks, especially when she is out of school. I am very impressed with the variety of lessons in this book, but wish it could have more to it. The book is only about a half inch thick, and, while the pages are beautifully put together, I have to repeatedly warn my daughter not to do too much, or it will be finished in about a week. I suggest supplementing the workbook with others, but I cannot deny that the Summer Fit workbook is a great tool! If your kiddo needs or wants to get ahead, this is a great start. If your child just wants something to do, I suggest this, but look for others to add to it.

I worked through this book with my 7 year old son over the summer and it was fantastic! Great

summer curriculum!

This is the second year I've bought these workbooks for my kids. I like that they're geared for transitioning between grades. I'm always afraid my kids will backslide during the summer and these books keep that from happening.

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