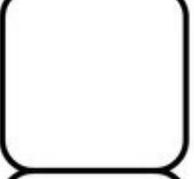
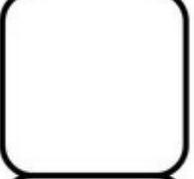
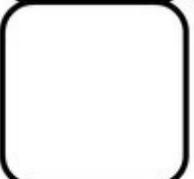
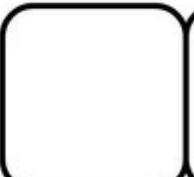
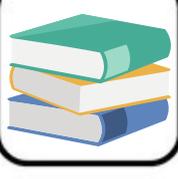
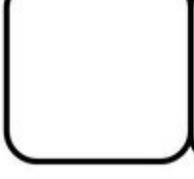
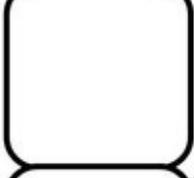
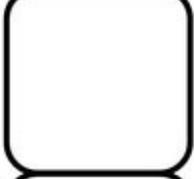
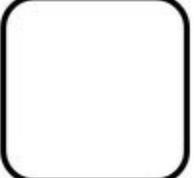
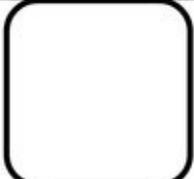
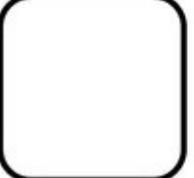
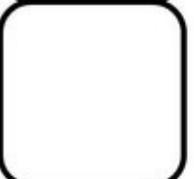
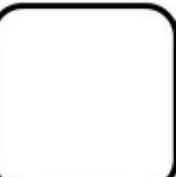


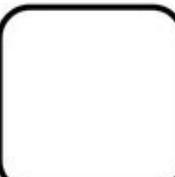
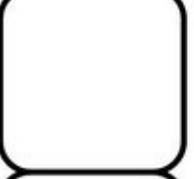
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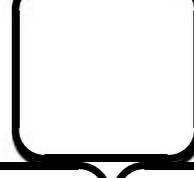
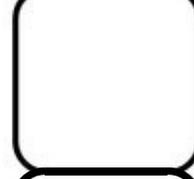
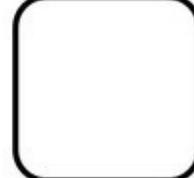
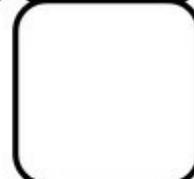
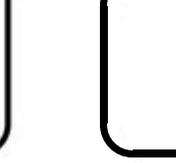
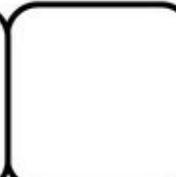
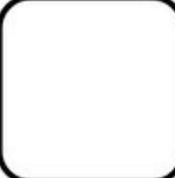
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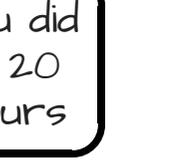
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15 hours!  
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going!



You did  
it! 20  
hours



Name:

Teacher:



= 30 minutes

(color 1/2 for 15 minutes)



# SUMMER READING!

@ St. Paul's

Hey Pacers Parents!

Reading is so important for your child's academic success, and not just during the school year! Research continually shows that the more students read and write, the more proficient they become at those skills. Summer reading can play a significant role in developing literacy, building fluency, and preparing your child for the next grade. Take every opportunity this summer to help your child explore new interests, exercise their imagination, and expand their reading horizons.

Reading is like exercise; the more you do it, the better you get! Reading stamina, the ability and attention span to read for extended periods of time, is built gradually. We suggest starting with 15 minute increments. As you read, color in the squares on the game board to represent time spent reading (one square is 30 minutes, 1/2 square is 15 minutes). You might choose to use the icons on the game board to celebrate progress towards the goal of 20 total hours - have a picnic, go out for ice cream, take a trip to the zoo, set up the sprinklers in the backyard - anything that you and your family enjoy!

Recording book titles is not required. Bring this game board back to school in August, and we will celebrate participating students in Town Meeting with a certificate and a treat!

## **What "counts"?**

If your child is not reading on their own yet, they can listen to you, or anyone else (sibling, grandparent, babysitter, audiobook, etc.), read out loud. Your child can also spend time looking at the pictures of a book. Anytime your child is exposed to the written word for an extended period of time (at least 15 minutes) it counts because their brain is engaged in developing literacy!

This summer, escape the heat, grab a good book, and we can't wait to celebrate your child's reading accomplishments when we see you again in August! Need suggestions or recommendations about what to read? Need an extra game board? Check our website! <http://bit.ly/SPESReads>

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