



# Jr. Ranger Guide



SUMMER EDITION 2025

Just for RCU kids

## SUMMER FUN THAT DOESN'T COST A TON



Looking for ways to spend your summer without spending a lot of money? These activities will keep you entertained and help you stay refreshed—all while keeping your piggy bank happy!



### LIBRARY ADVENTURE CHALLENGE

Visit your local library and pick a book you wouldn't usually read—maybe a mystery, a cookbook, or a comic book. Make it a game: how many different kinds of books can you try by the end of summer?

### CHALK OBSTACLE COURSE

Use sidewalk chalk to draw your own obstacle course. Include things like "Hop 5 times," "Spin in a circle," or "Walk the wiggly line." Invite family or friends to complete it with you!

### ICE CUBE PAINTING



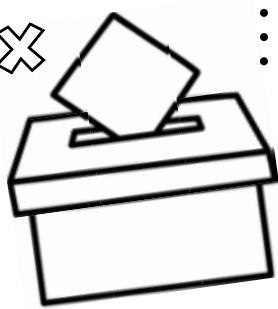
Mix a few drops of food coloring with water in each section of an ice cube tray. Add a popsicle stick to each one, freeze, and use them to paint on white paper outside!

### CARDBOARD CREATIONS CHALLENGE

Save big boxes or cereal boxes and challenge yourself to build something like a mini golf course, a race car, a puppet stage, or even a pet hotel. No rules, just imagination!

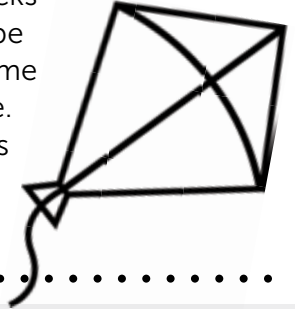
### KINDNESS MAILBOX

Decorate a shoebox or cereal box to make a mailbox. Then, leave notes or small drawings for family members or neighbors. Bonus: Ask others to leave surprise messages for you too!



### MAKE A MINI KITE

Use a paper lunch bag or a piece of lightweight paper to make your very own mini kite. Attach two sticks or straws in a cross shape for the frame and tie some string to create a handle. Decorate it with markers or stickers, then test it on a breezy day!



### PHOTO SAFARI

Grab a phone or camera (with permission!) and go on a photo adventure around your house or yard. Try to snap pictures of things by color, shape, or theme—like "5 things that are blue" or "things that look like faces."

### DIY COOL-DOWN STATION

Set up your own backyard water zone! Use buckets, plastic cups, sponges, or hoses to make a splash zone. Try sponge toss games or create a mini "car wash" for bikes and scooters.



# BANANA BEACH POPS

**A frozen snack that brings the beach to your kitchen!**

Turn bananas into tropical treats with just a few simple steps. The crushed graham crackers look like sandy shores, and the yogurt or chocolate coating is your ocean wave. Add a few sprinkles "seashells" or coconut "foam" to complete the look!



## YOU'LL NEED:

- 2 ripe bananas
- ½ cup vanilla yogurt or melted chocolate
- ½ cup crushed graham crackers (your "sand")
- Optional: sprinkles, shredded coconut, mini chocolate chips
- 4 popsicle sticks or skewers
- Parchment-lined tray

## WHAT TO DO:

1. Cut bananas in half and insert sticks.
2. Dip in yogurt or chocolate.
3. Roll in crushed graham crackers.
4. Add optional toppings for beachy flair.
5. Freeze for 1–2 hours until firm.
6. Enjoy your beach pop under the sun (or the kitchen light)!



**Fun Idea:** Set up a "beach snack bar" and let friends decorate their pops with tropical toppings!

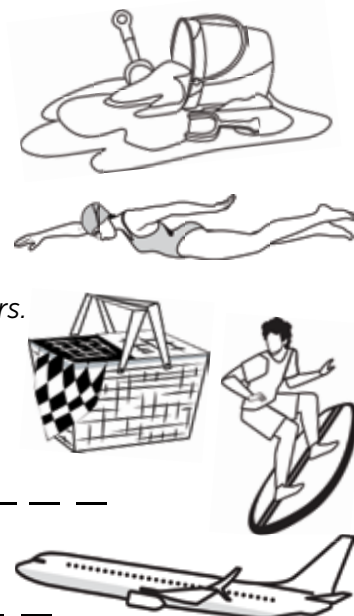


# REDDY'S SUMMER WORD SCRAMBLE

Reddy was listing his favorite summer words when a sudden gust of wind turned them into a scrambled mess. Can you help Reddy unscramble the words? *Hint: The drawings are clues to the answers.*



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| 1. ISMW → _ _ _ _ | 6. PAMC → _ _ _ _     |
| 2. SNU → _ _ _    | 7. PTIR → _ _ _ _     |
| 3. ECI → _ _ _    | 8. CIPNIC → _ _ _ _ _ |
| 4. NEOC → _ _ _ _ | 9. VAEW → _ _ _ _ _   |
| 5. RUSF → _ _ _ _ | 10. CBHAE → _ _ _ _ _ |



Answers: 1. Swim 2. Sun 3. Cone 4. Ice 5. Camp 6. Surf 7. Trip 8. Picnic 9. Wave 10. Beach

# Reddy the Redwood "Music Fest Merch Madness"



THIS GUIDE BELONGS TO:



**RCU Calendar**

Redwood Credit Union will be closed on the following holidays:

**Independence Day**  
Friday, July 4

**Labor Day**  
Monday, September 1

**Indigenous Peoples' Day**  
Monday, October 13

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