Youth Resources

**Reading Online:**

● TumbleBooks

○ <https://www.tumblebooklibrary.com/Default.aspx>

○ As a library you can get a free account right now, send an email to info@tumblebooks.com with subject line Free TumbleBooks

○ <https://daily.tumblebooks.com/> has a free book every day.

● International Digital Children’s Library

○ <http://en.childrenslibrary.org/>

○ Pretty poor collection, but it’s something.

● Oxford Owl

○ <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/welcome-back/for-home>

○ Sign up for a free account.

● Amazon Free Kids Ebooks

○ <https://www.amazon.com/Best-Sellers-Kindle-Store-Childrens-eBooks/zgbs/digital-text/155009011/ref=zg_bs?_encoding=UTF8&tf=1>

○ Need a Kindle or the Kindle app

● Barnes & Noble Free Kids Ebooks

○ <https://www.barnesandnoble.com/b/free-ebooks/nook-books/kids/_/N-ry0Z8qaZtu1>

○ Need a Nook

● Indianapolis Public Library - 100+ Free Readalouds

○ <https://www.indypl.org/blog/for-parents/free-video-read-alouds>

YA Reads from Riveted  
<https://rivetedlit.com/free-reads/>

Library of Congress Classic Children’s Books   
<http://www.read.gov/books/>

Short Stories for Middle School  
<https://www.weareteachers.com/best-short-stories-for-middle-schoolers/>

Teen Book Cloud  
<https://www.teenbookcloud.com/Home.aspx>

**Educational:**

Melissa Stewart Science Books and Nonfiction Teaching Resources

<https://www.melissa-stewart.com/videos/video_mini_lessons.html>

Poetry Lessons

<https://padlet.com/laurashovan/4x6a0cj7fdxa>

Cool Math Games

<https://www/coolmathgames.com/>

Shark Education

<https://www.facebook.com/atlanticwhiteshark/?__tn__=kCH-R&eid=ARByyHX3DIhB5eZnHGNfUfv2D2xK3TkLmhkK3_puE9OBujEd32Tbm-UZnYMoTRvjHZIkAU1mIbTANYw8&hc_ref=ARTHGXZ8S1CCKCrsfWKlv0LfXMRkKnfCW1enUz-eKdcsiJgMlrjb7OXDz87V2aVq_Wk&fref=nf>

CK-12

https://www.ck12.org

History for Kids

www.historyforkids.net

Typing Club

www.typingclub.com

Mad Libs for Kids

https://www.squiglysplayhouse.com/writingcorn/storybuilder

Fun Brain

https://www.funbrain.com/

Exploratorium

<https://www.exploratorium.edu/snacks>

English Worksheets Land

https://englishworksheetsland.com/

NeoK12

<https://www.neok12.com>

Wordville

https://wordville/com/ReadingComp/

K12 Reader

https://www.k12reader.com/grade-level/grades-k-12/

Mystery Doug

https://mysterydoug.com/

Writing Lessons

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLerR86L8tR9UNGBMOV_VhTlG2k0lkf0De>

Reading & Writing Prompts

<https://sarahdarerlittman.com/covid-19-resources---spring/index.html>

Scholastic Learn at Home Initiative

<https://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome.html>

Virtual Reality Tours of Cultural/Historic Interest

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/travel/2020/03/18/these-historic-sites-attractions-are-offering-virtual-tours-during-coronavirus-pandemic/?utm_campaign=wp_the_optimist&utm_medium=email&utm_source=newsletter&wpisrc=nl_optimist>

Drawing Lessons with Jarrett Krosoczka

<https://www.youtube.com/user/studiojjk>

Daily Doodles with Mo Willems

<https://youtu.be/MjaYnyCJDdU>

Curriculum Lessons

<https://www.cilc.org/Interactive-Content/Community-of-Learning.aspx>

Osher Map Library Curriculum Sets

<https://oshermaps.org/teach/downloads>

Nature-based Stay at Home Activities with CREA! <https://creamaine.org/category/at-home-nature-based-activities/>

Science and Health Resources

<https://medlineplus.gov/childrenspage.html>

Stimola Live

<https://www.stimolalive.com/>

Tinker Lab - lots of activity ideas

<https://tinkerlab.com/>

Khan Academy

<https://khanacademy.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/360040167432-How-can-Khan-Academy-be-used-for-remote-learning-during-school-closures->

Lakeshore Learning

<https://www.lakeshorelearning.com/resources/free-resources>

PBS Learning Media

<https://mainepublic.pbslearningmedia.org/>

Bedtime Math

<http://bedtimemath.org/fun-math-at-home/>

Math Playground

<https://www.mathplayground.com/>

Poetry Foundation

<https://www.poetryfoundation.org/learn/children>

NASA Kids Club

<https://www.nasa.gov/kidsclub/index.html>

How Stuff Works

<https://www.howstuffworks.com/>

National Geographic Kids

<https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/>

Listen Wise - Free to use. Engaging audio stories to develop listening comprehension. Real-world stories are paired with learning supports and assessments. Must create an account.

<https://listenwise.com/>

Kahoot

<https://kahoot.com/home/>

Prodigy -Free to use. Adaptive, game-based math program. Must create an account.

<https://www.prodigygame.com/>

NYT Learning Network - Free to read. Must create an account to join discussions. Prompts, activities, and articles to develop visual literacy, writing skills, and critical thinking. Topics range from current events to science to art. Lots of opportunities for students to engage.

https://www.nytimes.com/section/learning

**Listen:**

Kids Ask Authors Podcast

<https://www.kidsaskauthors.com/>

Spanish Stories

<https://www.thespanishexperiment.com/stories>

**Virtual Tours:**

Farm tours [http://origin.americandairy.com/news-and-events/dairy-diary/dairy-farming/virtual-farm-tours-while-youre-stuck-at-home.stml](http://origin.americandairy.com/news-and-events/dairy-diary/dairy-farming/virtual-farm-tours-while-youre-stuck-at-home.stml?fbclid=IwAR0QWN0y25xFNe90w7XM9lREKZGi2lO-i_ylua3z5zzQHKOmTI4TvaHbYPo)

Maine Alpaca Farm <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyqixVNSygWPzNCeve8LO2w/featured>

New England Aquarium   
<https://www.neaq.org/visit/at-home-events-and-activities/>

Thirty-three National Park Virtual Tours <https://totallythebomb.com/heres-33-national-park-tours-you-can-take-virtually-from-the-comfort-of-your-home>

List of Virtual Tours, etc.  
<https://virtualschoolactivities.com/>  
<https://wakelet.com/wake/6d977c5f-4983-4892-861d-06ab7e26ed58>  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/e/2PACX-1vTbUBsKt4U5tR-eXC8b2bogrvjrVlEBl8OJIesNPw6b7BRScYRuyXIaSAVIcl_q52BI4SqrK4_HVQCw/pub>

**Livestreams:**

Big list of animal cams including pandas, wolves, tigers, koalas, naked mole rats and much more! <https://threadreaderapp.com/thread/1239545102831366144.html> Here’s another one–there may be some repeats <https://www.adventure-journal.com/2020/03/if-youre-stuck-inside-might-as-well-enjoy-this-list-of-animal-cams/>

Home Safari at Cincinnati Zoo including Fiona the Hippo <http://cincinnatizoo.org/home-safari-resources/>

Jelly Fish!   
<https://www.georgiaaquarium.org/webcam/jelly-webcam/>

Metropolitan Opera Live Streams <https://operawire.com/metropolitan-opera-to-offer-up-nightly-met-opera-streams>

Seattle Aquarium  
<https://www.seattleaquarium.org/live-cams>

Monterey Bay Aquarium  
<https://www.montereybayaquarium.org/animals/live-cams>

**Storytime Resources:**

Songs and Rhymes - many different languages

<https://www.storyblocks.org/>

Jbrary - songs and rhymes

<https://www.youtube.com/user/Jbrary>

[#OperationStorytime](https://twitter.com/hashtag/OperationStorytime?src=hash&ref_src=twsrc%5Etfw%7Ctwcamp%5Etweetembed%7Ctwterm%5E1239593468445376512&ref_url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.teenlibrariantoolbox.com%2F2020%2F03%2Fa-roundup-of-pandemic-resources%2F)

Follow the Twitter hashtag to find authors providing online storytime.

Space Storytime

<https://storytimefromspace.com/library/>

Storyline Online - Books read by celebrities   
<https://www.storylineonline.net/>

Brightly Storytime  
 <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCvQagFNHMrGgQpYunk4rHXg/videos>

Kate Messner Website - Embedded videos of authors reading their books and sharing educational lessons.  
<https://www.katemessner.com/read-wonder-and-learn-favorite-authors-illustrators-share-resources-for-learning-anywhere-spring-2020/?fbclid=IwAR1wKRNHVL7CVzdTrK9ghhW-VyILR-JO93_MGj3O3CwwcVR3CGmzc2jdASs>

Authors Everywhere - Authors reading and doing lessons.  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCowhHSUaWp3KJDcuI0nR0vw/videos>

Kid Lit Events Calendar  
<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=kidlitevent@gmail.com&ctz=America/New_York&fbclid=IwAR32dROSDdl5M54X07e6uuK31uYmq2jfjtHf0KqxV4O3Tk-Anllc51Jz8hU&pli=1>

Rhymes, Songs, Fingerplays  
<https://kcls.org/content/>

Getting Ready for Kindergarten  
<https://www.scld.org/getting-ready-for-kindergarten/>

List of author readings, etc.  
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/14sKF93Q15buUUtJwrRvR8K8xAQdQSVss9Rzp69_oQRM/htmlview?usp=sharing&sle=true>

Smithsonian Learning Lab  
<https://learninglab.si.edu/>

Imagine Children's Museum Learning Online  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSuuvrwdWSxSkSLN8X6bfiA>

**Movement:**

Kids Yoga

<https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga>

Go Noodle

<https://www.gonoodle.com/>

Alvin Ailey Dance

<https://www.aileyextension.com/keepdancing>

**About Coronavirus for kids:**

* [Helping Children Cope (Ready.gov)](https://www.ready.gov/helping-children-cope)
* [Just For Kids: A Comic Exploring The New Coronavirus (NPR)](https://www.npr.org/sections/goatsandsoda/2020/02/28/809580453/just-for-kids-a-comic-exploring-the-new-coronavirus)Comic that includes information from healthcare experts interviewed for an NPR story. Can also be printed and folded into a zine.
* [Parent/Caregiver Guide to Helping Families Cope with the Corronavirus Diease 2019 (NCTSN)](https://www.nctsn.org/resources/parent-caregiver-guide-to-helping-families-cope-with-the-coronavirus-disease-2019)This resource will help parents and caregivers think about how an infectious disease outbreak might affect their family— both physically and emotionally—and what they can do to help their family cope.
* [Talking to Children About COVID-19 (Coronavirus): A Parent Resource (NASP/NASN)](https://higherlogicdownload.s3.amazonaws.com/NASN/3870c72d-fff9-4ed7-833f-215de278d256/UploadedImages/PDFs/02292020_NASP_NASN_COVID-19_parent_handout.pdf?fbclid=IwAR0v5QlXPfl2D3xrmL1uqiZyYpA8iAg6mxNiBHNdLf7O9vjX8yrSCsY3j5k)Guidelines from the National Association of School Psychologists and National Association of School Nurses
* [Supporting Individuals with Autism through Uncertain Times](https://afirm.fpg.unc.edu/supporting-individuals-autism-through-uncertain-times)A toolkit with seven strategies and corresponding resources, from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Education and Frank Porter Graham Child Development Institute.
* [Coronavirus Infographic and Game](https://tumblehomebooks.org/coronadownloads/)Free resources for teaching children about the Coronavirus and hygiene.

**Play and design digital escape rooms from home!**

To experience a digital escape room, try this Harry Potter one from Peters Township Public Library in McMurray, PA: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSflNxNM0jzbZJjUqOcXkwhGTfii4CM\_CA3kCxImbY8c3AABEA/formResponse](https://nam03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fdocs.google.com%2Fforms%2Fd%2Fe%2F1FAIpQLSflNxNM0jzbZJjUqOcXkwhGTfii4CM_CA3kCxImbY8c3AABEA%2FformResponse&data=02%7C01%7Ckara.reiman%40maine.gov%7Cba9075ae7d8c444f0dff08d7d006fe90%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637206600775065047&sdata=Wxs3%2Bj9FB8FJ0dI3PYcW3dnovzsT699Fc6RIkX8FAr4%3D&reserved=0) or this Dogman one from Shiloh Valley Elementary School in NC: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdvvgOhiVwRzXSxHuHlEzfGEUPQaABbgpL6JLPHn8A93ThWpw/viewform?fbzx=-5350833537370311211](https://nam03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fdocs.google.com%2Fforms%2Fd%2Fe%2F1FAIpQLSdvvgOhiVwRzXSxHuHlEzfGEUPQaABbgpL6JLPHn8A93ThWpw%2Fviewform%3Ffbzx%3D-5350833537370311211&data=02%7C01%7Ckara.reiman%40maine.gov%7Cba9075ae7d8c444f0dff08d7d006fe90%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637206600775065047&sdata=xbNYOtNALSUz8glcovxgw1JNfyyIlztm1iNZEnb8IBU%3D&reserved=0)

These links can be shared with your patrons, if you’d like. Try your hand at designing your own!

Other escape-style online games:

<https://ditchthattextbook.com/30-digital-escape-rooms-plus-tips-and-tools-for-creating-your-own/>

[https://www.365escape.com/Room-Escape-Games.html](https://nam03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.365escape.com%2FRoom-Escape-Games.html&data=02%7C01%7Ckara.reiman%40maine.gov%7Cba9075ae7d8c444f0dff08d7d006fe90%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637206600775065047&sdata=b2wkSuVlnp8FruO7fvPOtN6mmmDr4%2Ff1zL9QQ9tZyxY%3D&reserved=0)