5 Summer Journaling Tips for Kids

Use these fun ideas to help kids enjoy writing all summer long! Great for parents, teachers, and independent writers.

1. Use Stickers as Prompts

Choose a fun sticker and use it as inspiration for a short story, poem, or journal entry.

Examples:

- A taco sticker = write about your dream snack stand
- A dragon sticker = invent a dragon rescue team

2. Set Up a Themed Journal

Pick a fun theme for the summer journal to keep writing focused and playful.

Examples:

- Ocean Explorer
- Backyard Safari
- My Dream Vacations

3. Use Sentence Starters to Spark Ideas

Help kids get started with open-ended prompts.

Examples:

- Today I discovered...
- If I could fly anywhere, I would...
- The funniest thing that happened this week was...

4. Make It Visual

Let kids add drawings to their writing. They can illustrate a story or doodle what they did that day.

5. Involve Teachers or Parents

Parents and teachers can encourage journaling by doing it alongside kids or suggesting writing times each week.

Examples:

- Set a 'quiet journal time' 2x a week
- Write in your own journal together