

2012 Themes

States submitted: AZ, AL, CT, GA, AK, MN, DE, CA, KY, LA, ME, IN, KS, MO, MN, NJ, NY, PA, OR, RI, ND, UT, VA, WI, OK, SD, FL, MD, MI, NE, OH, AR, ID

Key:

(#) – number of entries that were the same

[text; text] – entries that varied on wording

{ text } – my notes

Adventure (2)

Agriculture

Ancient cultures

Ancient History/Ancient worlds - mythology, ancient cultures and mysteries, etc.

Astronomy

Books to Movies/Entertainment--"From the Little Book to the Big Screen" (Various titles of books/characters from books that have been made into television shows, movies such as: Polar Express; Lola and Charlie; Harry Potter; Matilda; Toot & Puddle, Shrek, etc.)

Camp or Forests (Get Lost in the Forest of Books @ Your Library)
(Camp Read-A-Lot)

Careers (2)

Christmas in July, exploring international Christmas traditions

Circus/Fairs

Connections

Cowboys/Wild West/Horses/Western

Curious? Read! (subthemes might include: The Old Curiosity Shop [classics] / Madam Curie-osity [science] / Curious Cats [traditional tales] / Curious George [jungles, zoos, adventures])

Dare to dream

Dinosaurs (3)

Dragons

Earth – Environment/Earth Sciences/Ecology/Go Green/Gardens and Gardening

Economics/Environment/Recycling/Gardening/Endangered Species/Nature/ Outdoors/Nature

Escape @ your library (jailhouse/mystery theme)

Exercise/sports

Exploration

Explore the Oceans

Fairy Tales and Nursery Rhymes, for the Teens - could expand to international/Mythology and the REAL stories behind the fairy tales/
Fractured fairy tales

Family (2)

Toys/playing

Farming/Food

Fantasy

Fit for life (mental/physical/spiritual health, valuing diversity and persons with disabilities/Fitness, dovetailing with the Olympics/Fitness/Games/Health/Nutrition/ Hop to It--Read! with Alan Baker as kid's illustrator-- Emphasis on physical fitness, use frogs, rabbits, kangaroos, grasshoppers in art Physical fitness/ Healthy Body and Mind (Brain Age, Exercising, Relaxing)

Gaming/Games

Garden /Gardening

Genealogy

Geology

Go Back in Time @ Your Library

Hats Off to Books (Different themed hat for each week, such as Chef's Hat, Jester Hat, Crown, etc.)

Help neighbors/serve community

Heroes & Heroines/superheroes theme

History
Hometown Heroes
Hometown/Backyard
Humor

Libraries Rock!
Library Laboratory

Made in America (Library Lover...and Proud of It!)
Magic (illusion)

Math! "Reading Counts"-- fun math activities, books with math, counting for pre- K, etc. Maybe Sciezka and Lane could pair up to do the artwork similar to Math Curse. It's been shown that kids are even LESS likely to retain math than reading during the summer. Numbers/Math: Count on reading, Reading adds up, that kind of thing

Medieval Fantasy - Dragons, Knights, etc
Military (Back to Basics With Books)
Mystery theme

Nighttime/Into the Night
Ninjas

Ocean (Octipy Your Mind @ Your Library!)
Olympics (will be in London in 2012)

Other Worlds like the world of the Cats (Hunter series) or the one about Snakes \ Birds or the underground world, (Atwater-Rhodes series).

Outer space/the space program (4)

Pets (4)
Pirates
Politics

Power of Books

Raiders of the Lost Books (such as Nancy Drew, Black Stallion, etc.)

Reading/ Freedom to Read

Renaissance

Reptiles/Slimy animals

Rural life

Respect, responsibility, or some other character education

personality trait Paranormal/scary books

Science

Science Fiction (aliens, robots, etc.)

Sea theme: in the water-plants and fish, etc , on the water-ships, pirates, houseboats

Series-ness @ Your Library" with the focus on different series, such as Twilight and the Scott Westerfield series

Space/ Universe/Planets/Stars/Space

travel/Astronomy/Planets/Robots (13)

Sports/Fitness/Extreme Sports (4)

State and local history (both NM and AZ will celebrate their centennials in 2012)

Super Heroes (5)

Summer Activities

Technology/Gaming/Invention/Science

The Forest

The future

The Rain Forest

The Wonderful World of Animals (Maybe exotic animals)

theater - play - acting - historical - "during the times of Paul Revere or George Washington or Abraham Lincoln" geography - "the prairie" or "orchards"

Time Travel (3)

Time Travel through history/time capsule theme so we can visit all kinds of historical times from Egypt & Rome to WWII to the moon landing

Toys/playing

Transportation

You're the star at your library

Zombies/Horror

Zoo/Jungle (2)