

# 8 GREAT.ORG



Last year the state's taxpayers invested **\$53 million dollars** in public libraries. This summer those libraries can help protect **\$2.2 billion dollars** those taxpayers invest in their public schools.

## How?

### It's Payback Time!

Reading as few as eight books during the summer reverses the summer slide that results in the need to “re-teach” last year’s lessons for the first month of the new school year.

*By  
keeping  
kids  
reading  
during  
the  
summer!*

For more information on the summer slide and to locate a library near you go to [www.8great.org](http://www.8great.org).