

SOLAR SYSTEM TRADING CARD ACTIVITIES

Kids InfoBits supports elementary-age kids with trusted videos, magazine and news articles, images, and books on topics in science, social studies, language arts, and more. Use these ideas and the **Solar System Trading Cards** to incorporate *Kids InfoBits* in your 2019 Summer Reading program.

TAKE-HOME ACTIVITY



Print and display double-sided copies of the *Kids InfoBits* Solar System Trading Cards alongside your Summer Reading materials for children. Or, cut the individual cards, and distribute one card each time a child fulfills a summer reading task. You may even award small prizes to kids who collect and complete a full set.

To provide digital trading card access, [link the cards](#) to your children's website and encourage families to print and fill out the cards.

Include instructions for accessing *Kids InfoBits* from your library website.

Ask kids to sign and turn in their work for an in-library display, or have parents take photos of completed cards and tag the library on social media.

PROGRAM ADD-ON (10-15 MINUTES)



Incorporate *Kids InfoBits* Solar System Trading Cards into an existing summer reading story time or program.

Break kids into 12 groups. Pass out double-sided copies of the cards to every child. Assign each group one of the planets or the wild card. Help kids access *Kids InfoBits*. Have each group research their planet and fill out the corresponding trading card.

Ask each group to post their cards around the room. Then, have kids circulate the room to explore other groups' planets and fill in their remaining cards. Alternately, have each group present their planet to the full group.

SPACE RACE PROGRAM



If you have a little more time, break kids into even groups. Present a more thorough introduction to *Kids InfoBits*. Feel free to share tutorials at <https://support.gale.com/>. Then, pass out double-sided copies of the trading cards to every child, and give each group time to research every planet.

Have groups race to use *Kids InfoBits* to complete as many cards as possible in the time you have available.

You could even award certificates or small prizes to the groups with the fastest times (or most finished cards), coolest planetary fact, largest number of unique sources, etc.

SHARE

Let us know how you use the Kids InfoBits Solar System Trading Cards in your library! Use **#kidsinfobitsspace** on social media or email your story to your Gale Customer Success Manager or to gale.customersuccess@cengage.com.