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As you are aware that International Literacy Day is celebrated every year on 8th September to highlight the importance of literacy for individuals and the societies as well as the need for augmented efforts towards more literate societies. The basic form of literacy is being able to read and write. Reading promotes literacy and is a simple way to keep students' minds stimulated and focused. It also helps in the development of skills like creative and analytical thinking.

Recognising the importance of reading and to mark the occasion of International Literacy Day, CBSE announces **Celebration of Reading Week** from **8th September to 14th September 2020**. The following are some of the suggestive activities which the schools can take up to celebrate the Reading week and promote reading habits among students:

1. Encourage students to discover the joy of reading books of their interest available in their homes or on internet. Assist students in the selection of books by sharing with them the list of books and links from where they can download the books free of cost. The e books, if available in school library, can also be shared with the students.
2. Schedule an online session with an author, poet or storyteller to bring reading to life and to inspire students to read more.
3. Arrange online reading sessions wherein students may be encouraged to:
 - a. share the short stories written by them
 - b. share the review of the book of any genre read by them
 - c. enact, recreate timelines of events, characters, etc. on the basis of the poem/story/book read by them
 - d. share the story of the person who inspires them the most.
4. Organize online LITFEST where various characters interact with each other.
5. Organize online Read-a-Thon wherein Fastest Reader of Class may be acknowledged
6. Make Online Book-Buddies wherein students may be paired to choose and read a book and then present the findings before the class.
7. Integrate Reading and Fine Arts: Reading stories/ poem/ book etc. and drawing pictures, posters etc. on the basis of the poem/ story/ book read.
8. Organize online Readebate Competition: Debating and defending the actions of characters in the story/book read.



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9. Let students make an audio story out of a novel/ text read.
10. Encourage students to make reading games/ puzzles/ riddles.
11. Encourage students to create Story Maps or make comic strips.
12. Organize online book character costume party wherein students dress up as their favorite children's book characters and have a party.
13. Have tell *round robin stories* orally wherein a teacher may start a story and then each student in the class tells the next part of the story. Once finished, the story may be read aloud.

The activities carried out by students during the Reading Week can be assessed as part of the Subject Enrichment Activities for classes up to Secondary level.

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