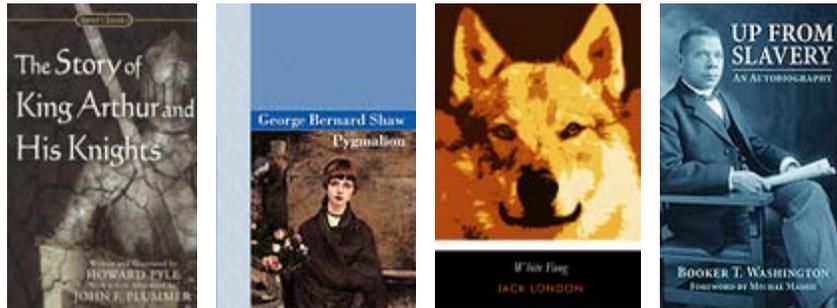


SCCLD has partnered with

[Silicon Valley Energy Watch](#) to provide [Do-It-Yourself \(DIY\) Home Energy Saving Toolkits](#). Check one out, and enjoy the no-cost resources.



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Discover & Go

by Robyn McCreight

[Discover & Go](#) offers great ways to play this year with discounted passes to museums across the bay area. Let your curiosity run free at San Francisco's [Exploratorium](#), discover your inner scientist

at [The Tech Museum](#) in San Jose, or get the family together for some old fashioned video games at the [Pacific Pinball Museum](#) in Alameda. Get your passes today, and be ready to play!

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Let's play baseball! [Take Me Out to the Yakyu](#) tells the story of a boy learning about the differences in baseball between American and Japanese cultures.

The bright illustrations help young readers distinguish between the two cultures as they follow along with the story. As a bonus, baseball themed words in English and Japanese are included.

Celebrate the start of baseball season with this exciting book!



Teen Pick

by Nicole King

These Broken Stars

by Amie Kaufman
and Megan Spooner

Life is grand for Lilac LaRoux, daughter of the richest man in the Universe.

Life is bearable for Tarver Merendsen, a celebrated war hero who worked his way up the ranks from a life of poverty.

[Celebrating its Silver Anniversary](#) this month, [PlaneTree](#) continues to provide free personalized in-depth health and medical information to the public.

The [PlaneTree](#) staff of committed professionals and dedicated volunteers can be found at the [PlaneTree's Health Information Center](#) located at the [Cupertino Library](#).



role play

Everyday Superheroes Wanted

by Brenda Trosin

[The Reading Program](#) pairs adult students who are reading below the 9th grade level with volunteers to meet weekly for tutoring at one of our libraries.

[The Reading Program](#) NEEDS YOU! If you can read and write in English, then we can train you to become a fantastic facilitator, tutor and mentor!

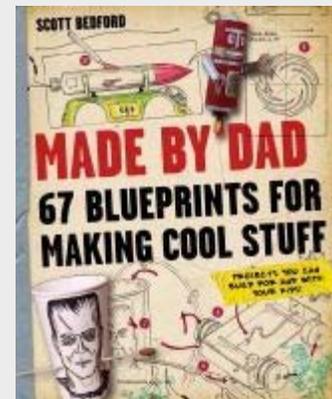
[Learn more about this volunteer opportunity.](#)

Their past doesn't matter when they find their spaceship, Icarus, plunging through space with the only chance at survival a rescue pod they must share.

Once they crash land it's clear they must work together to survive. What began as a clear relationship of opportunity and annoyance, morphs quickly into one of respect, regard, and even love.

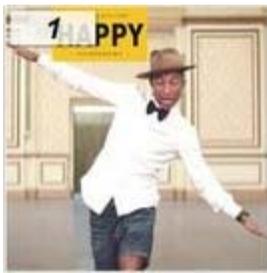
As the days get longer and no rescue is in sight, they realize they are not alone on this new planet. Mysterious forces are at work, creating visions of people and places long dead.

Do they even want to be rescued? Life on this eerie and mysterious planet would be void of any prejudices for the star-crossed lovers. Is it worth never seeing their families again just to be together?

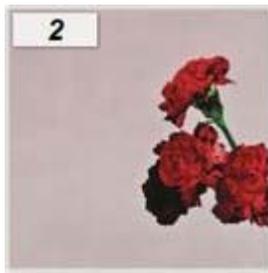


Adult Picks

[Have Some Fun](#)



[Happy](#)
[Pharrell Williams](#)



[All Of Me](#)
[John Legend](#)



[Let It Go](#)
[The Piano Guys](#)

[Freegal's Free Music Giveaway](#)

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child's play

by Gail Mason

[A growing body of research in early childhood development](#) has shown that a child's play is vital to healthy brain development.



Children's brains develop at an amazing rate during their early years, continuously forming new neural connections, which are the building blocks of language development and later learning. Using these connections, [play in early childhood is the best foundation for later academic success](#), since it develops skills children need to learn to read and write.

SCCLD received a grant from the California State Library to purchase equipment and playthings that can be used during children's programs at our libraries. These storytimes and programs are a great way to see early literacy skills in action, when [reading, talking, singing, and playing](#) develop the foundational skills that children need to enter school ready to learn.

playdate projects

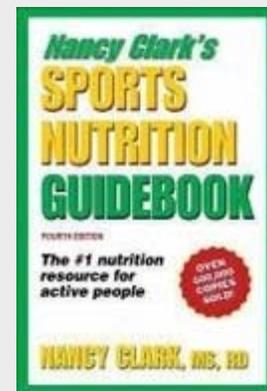
by Kelly Tatarakis

by Amytha Willard

The sun may be shining or the rain pouring - either way be prepared to have fun with the kids.

In [Made by Dad](#) by Scott Bedford you can make all sorts of projects from a race car launcher to a Godzilla skyline (just in time for the movie coming out in May!) Most of the projects are constructed from materials lying about the house, including cardboard, paperclips etc.

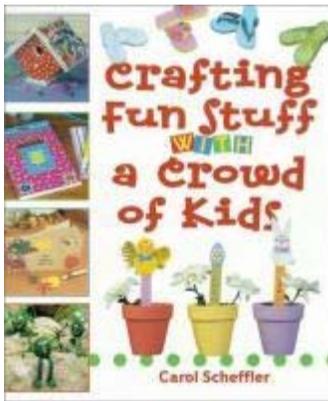
In the [Artful Parent](#) by Jean Van't Hul, express your creative side. Projects range in difficulty and this book is perfect for kids of all ages as they learn about painting with race cars or drawing the shadow of a still life.



The Healthy Athlete

by Aleta Kerrick

Carb loading. Protein bars. Energy drinks. Smart choices about what (and when) to consume can help



Carol Scheffler's [Crafting Fun Stuff with a Crowd of Kids](#) is chock-full of crafting projects for any playdate, birthday party, or other get-together. Kids can create artwork, alien models, game boards, crafty pillows, cards and ornaments, even a soda bottle bowling set following these easy instructions. Each idea comes with a list of materials and big, bright pictures. There are more than enough

crafts in this book for any group or theme. Encourage your crowd of kids to make artistic toys they can play with, and have fun making them too!

athletes do their best and recover more quickly. Nancy Clark's [Sports Nutrition Guidebook](#) (4th edition), has sound advice for people of all ages.

Parents and coaches of young athletes often wonder "How much practice is too much? Are training sessions properly safeguarding against injuries? Should a kid play despite having pain?"

These questions and many more are addressed in [Any Given Monday: Sports Injuries and How to Prevent Them, for Athletes, Parents, and Coaches, Based on My Life in Sports Medicine](#).

Visit the [PlaneTree Health Information Center](#) for assistance with your sports medicine and nutrition questions.

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