Pie is for Sharing
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Good friends share food, fun, and of course, pie, at a memorable Fourth of July picnic.

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Encourage students to think about what they could share to help celebrate the Fourth of July with families that are new to your community. Picnics and fireworks are fun, but you can really bring some zing to America’s birthday with reading! Independence Day is, after all, a celebration of a written document. Ask students to brainstorm how to share positive messages about summer reading to welcome more people to your community of readers with bookmarks, posters and a checklist of titles generated by student vote that celebrate America and its people.

Share other titles about celebrating our diverse nation:

Celebration! by Jane Resh Thomas
Uncle Chente’s Picnic/El Picnic De Tio Chente by Diane Gonzales Bertrand
The Flag We Love by Pam Muñoz Ryan
Apple Pie 4th of July by Janet S. Wong
Red, White, and Boom! by Lee Wardlaw