Summer Homework Checklist:

The magazine title: ☐ Does the magazine title relate to its content? ☐ Does it communicate to its intended audience? (Is it too obtuse or complicated?) ☐ Does it sound good when you say it out loud? ☐ Would it fit on the masthead of a magazine?
If the answer is no to any of the above, as a group, help brainstorm alternative names.
Genre: ☐ Is the genre broad enough to have a subscription base to support it? If the answer is no, as a group, help brainstorm ways to broaden the genre.
The reader personas: ☐ Is there a range/variety for types of readers? (e.g. different ages, gender, race, and/or needs for wanting to read the magazine) ☐ Is it clear in the reader persona how the magazine would fit into their specific lifestyle? If the answer is no to any of the above, as a group, help edit the personas to best reflect the potential readership and why that readership would want to subscribe to this magazine.
The magazine content description. The description of what the reader should expect for content from the magazine, from the curated perspective of the magazine's brand: Is it clear what the content of the magazine will be from issue to issue? Is it concise and well written? If the answer is no to any of the above, as a group, help edit the writing to best reflect the magazines content.
The brand concept. PRELIMINARY short 4 − 6 word brand concept that distills the message of what the magazine brand will deliver: □ Does the brand concept tagline clearly express what the reader should expect from the magazine, issue to issue? □ Is it written to feel inspirational/aspirational? If the answer is no, as a group, help re-draft the brand concept for the magazine.
Adjectives/Keywords: Do the adjectives/keywords capture the right tone for this magazine? Are the adjectives/keywords varied enough to do justice to the variety of content for this magazine? If the answer is no to any of the above, as a group, help brainstorm adjectives which would accurately capture what this magazine is trying to achieve through its content.