

1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

This Reading Log Belongs to:

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1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

Create a Reader One Book at a Time!

Across America, libraries recognize the importance of early literacy during the preschool years. This awareness has led to the 1,000 Books endeavor, an important program involving the natural act of reading to your child. Accepting this challenge has many benefits that educators reaffirm through credible research and long-term studies. The goal is straightforward: read 1,000 books to your child before your child starts kindergarten.

Some of the learning benefits include: well-developed vocabulary, problem solving, empathy, imagination, inspiration, artistic sophistication, reading fluency, and comprehension.

How to Begin:

- Visit the Youth Services Department to pick up your first 1,000 Books Reading Log (you'll keep track of 100 books at a time), or click on the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten link on our web page to download and print a log.
- Receive a stamp and a sticker for every 100 books you share together, and pick up or print off a log for your next set of 100 books.
- When you have finished 1,000 books, your child will be able to choose a free book to keep and a certificate of completion. You and your child will also be invited to a celebration held annually in March for finishers.

Tips for Success:

- Have fun! Reading should be a positive experience for you and your child. Children learn best when they're in a good mood, so read when it will be a pleasure for both of you.
- Reading can take place anytime, anywhere. Have books in the car for your child, or pack some in the diaper bag or backpack for trips to the doctor, dentist, school, and other outings.
- Use little moments during the day to tell or talk about stories, say nursery rhymes, and sing songs.
- Learning depends on repetition, so it's a good thing when your child requests the same book to be read over and over again! When you have a chance, introduce your child to different types of stories so that he has a chance to experience as many new words and concepts as possible.

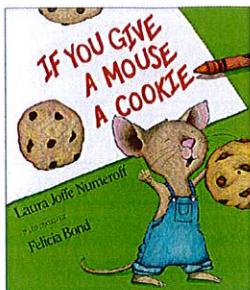
An Attainable Goal:

Do you read 3 books a day? You'll have read over 1,000 in one year!

Do you read 10 books a week? You'll complete your goal in two years!

Do you have time for just one book a day? You'll reach your goal in 3 short years!

This small time commitment is well worth the advantage you will be giving your child and the memories that you will form spending time with them. Your library staff is dedicated and ready to assist you in the "1,000 Books Before Kindergarten" challenge.



1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

Books 1 - 25

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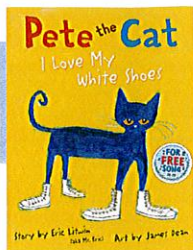
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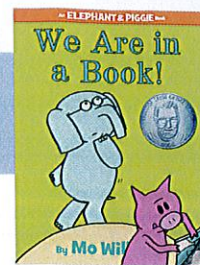
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Early Literacy Tip

Scribbling and writing help children learn that written words stand for spoken language. Children can learn pre-reading skills through writing activities.

Books 51 - 75



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Early Literacy Tip

Talking with children is one of the best ways to help them learn new words and information. Children learn language and other early literacy skills by listening to their parents and others talk.

Books 76 - 100



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**Congratulations, you finished
reading your first 100 books!
Stop by the library to get your
stamp and sticker.**

