What is the Winter Reading Challenge?

The Winter Reading Challenge runs from January 3 to February 28. Children participate online through Beanstack. On Beanstack, they can choose different activities to complete the challenge. The activities range from reading a book with purple on the cover to oming to a library program. They only have to complete 10 of the 20 activities to complete the challenge. If they complete all 20 activities, they will be awarded an additional prize!
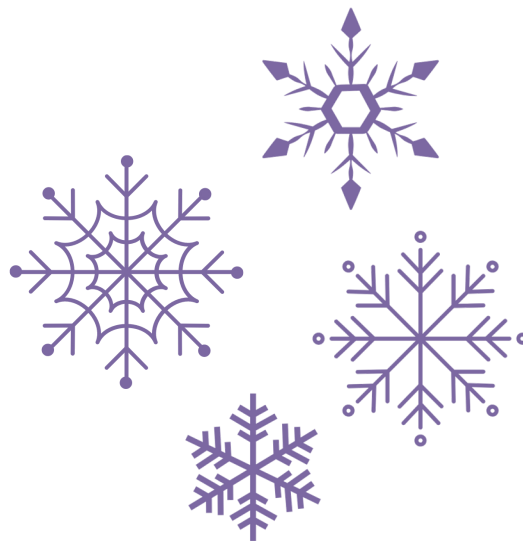
Who Can Participate?

Any child from 0-12 years old.

Where Can Children Participate?

The program involves challenges that can be done at home and some that have to be done in the library. Because children only need to complete 10 of the 20 activities, they can complete the challenge entirely from home! All of the challenges are logged online through Beanstack. Children and their parents will need to create a free account through Beanstack to participate (instructions inside).

Why Participate?

Why not? Reading outside of school time is a great way to avoid the winter blues and also strengthens reading skills that are necessary for future success.

Questions? Forgot your password?
Need any type of help?
Visit us in the Children's Department
at the Newport Public Library,
or give us a call or email!

Children's Department:
401-847-8720 x204

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Children's Winter Reading Challenge

Complete activities to
earn prizes!
For children ages 0-12.

January 3rd to
February 28th

http://www.newportlibraryri.org/kids/

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How to participate:

- Register for the Winter Reading Challenge online at **newportlibraryri.org/kids/** and click on the Beanstack logo.
- If you have registered before for a different program, you can use the same login!
- Check out the activities in the program under the **Activity Badges** tab. They are separated into 4 badges:

  ❄️ Read!

  🏔️ Do something!

  🌲 "Read" something different!

  🐧 Zany Challenges!

Each badge has 4-6 activities to choose from. Children can complete ANY 10 ACTIVITIES from any of the four badges. They do not have to complete a whole badge. Children can, however, complete all 20 activities for an additional prize!

Most activities will require you to type in an answer into the text box provided in order for the activity to be marked as completed. Some will need a secret code word that a librarian needs to give the child. Once the activity is marked as complete, the child will earn one point. At 10 points (after they complete 10 activities) your child will be notified that they have completed the challenge and have won a prize!

Beanstack

If you have already registered your child with Beanstack for previous challenges, you can simply use the same profile for the Winter Reading Challenge. If you have not already used Beanstack, then create a new account.

To Register:

- Go to: **newportlibraryri.org/kids/**
- Click on the Beanstack image, as shown directly above.
- Click on "**Register an Individual or Family.**"
- To register your child, click on "**I am an adult registering a child.**" Your child can create their own account if they wish by clicking on "**I am registering myself**." Fill out the required information for you and your child. Your child will have to be 12 years old or younger to participate. You can register multiple children (or "**Readers**") into your account, to better help your children keep track of their progress!
- You are now ready to participate!

Logging Activities

- Sign into your Beanstack account.
- Make sure you are under the correct reader if you have multiple children. You can tell by looking at the top right of your screen and your child's name will be visible.
- Click on the **Activity Badges** tab.
- There are four activity badges to explore. Remember, you can complete any 10 activities from any of these 4 badges. You can click on any of the badges to see the different activities.

This challenge is based on completing activities rather than logging reading. You do not have to worry about logging books for this challenge.

Frequently Asked Questions

Do I need a library card to participate?
NO! This service is free and available to any child from ages 0-12.

Can my child create their own account?
They certainly can! If not, a caretaker can create an account under their name and add a child on as a reader. If you are completing the program online through Beanstack, the program will only be available if the child is 12 years old or younger.

Can I count books I read to my child/my child has read before I registered?
No. The program begins on January 3rd, and you only count books read after that date.

Can one book complete multiple activities?
Yes! For example, one of the activities is "listen to a Vox/Wonderbook" found under "Read" Something Different! Another activity is "read a book with an animal as the main character" found under Read! Listening to a Vox/Wonderbook about an animal will cover both of these activities!

Do the books need to be library books?
No. Any book in any format counts.