

how the program works

Read 1000 books to your newborn, infant, toddler, or preschooler before they begin kindergarten. It's that simple! Sharing books with your child provides a great opportunity for bonding, fostering a love of reading, and building early literacy skills.

Getting Started

- Every time you read a book with your child, mark a number off the reading log.
- Each time your child reads 100 books, bring the reading log to the Youth Services desk at the Library to choose a sticker and pick up your next reading log.
 - Additional reading logs can also be found at library.transylvaniacounty.org/youth/1000books/
- At the 500 book milestone, your child will receive a book to keep!
- At the 1000 book milestone, your child will receive a special tote bag and a book to keep!

Frequently Asked Questions

- Who can participate?
 - Any child from birth until they enter kindergarten. It's never too early to begin reading with your child.
- How long will it take to read 1000 books?
 - The program will take anywhere from a few months to a few years. The program is self-paced and will depend on how often you read together.
 - 3 books a day for 1 year = 1095 books
 - 1 book a day for 3 years = 1095 books
- Do I have to read library books?
 - No. You can read books at home, at the doctor's office, or at a friend's house. You can even count books you hear at library storytime, preschool, or daycare. You can read 1000 different books or the same book 1000 times. Every book counts!
- How many of my children can participate?
 - All of them as long as they have not yet started kindergarten. Make it even more fun and read as a family!

1000 BOOKS

BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

This reading log belongs to: _____

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100

Mark a circle every time you share a book together. When you reach 100 books, bring this log to the Library to receive a sticker and your next reading log.

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