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HIGH SCHOOL



KS3 Summer Reading Competition

# Reading for fun at home...



## Some tips to try:

- Find a cosy, comfortable space - it could be your favourite spot on the sofa, your bed, the bath or even up a tree in your garden, as long as you like being there!
- Grab a drink and a healthy snack if you like - just as you would at the movies!
- Choose what you'd like to read or even listen to a story - anything goes!
- Not enjoying your reading choice? Try something different!
- Read for as long as you like, from 6 to 60 minutes...or more!
- Relax - this is time for you to forget about everything else, discover something new or just lose yourself in a different world completely.

## TOP TIP

Prepare for your subjects next term with some background reading on the topic ahead!

## What is reading?

It doesn't matter what you read as long as you read what you like!

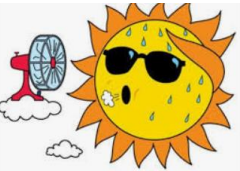


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Complete 1, 2 or even 3 reading challenges over the Summer Holidays and win prizes!



### HOT HOT HOT!

1 challenge completed receive up to 5 merits.



### IT'S A SCORCHER!

2 challenges completed receive up to 5 merits and a lucky dip for a prize.



### SIZZLING

3 challenges completed receive up to 5 merits, a lucky dip and entered into a competition for a £10 voucher of your choice (one per year group).



#### Guidance:

- Collect a printed form before end of term from the Hub.
- Over the summer, keep track of your reading challenges using the forms.
- Ask parents to sign and date the forms as confirmation for each challenge completed..
- Drop the signed forms to the Hub (box marked Summer Challenge) before 9am on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> September.
- Results will be announced to tutors on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September.
- Individual entries only.

# What's YOUR story?

Choosing what to read is a great chance to explore what you like - from funny facts to tall tales, football fixtures to best bakes, the only story your reading list should tell is YOURS!

- 1 **A newspaper, magazine or comic**  
There'll be lots in your local library - pick one up that you've never tried before, it might surprise you!
- 2 **Read with your ears!**  
Listen to a podcast, audiobook or ask your mum to read to you. You're never too old for a bedtime story!
- 3 **Brilliant biographies!**  
Think of someone you admire and read their story. From Michelle Obama to David Attenborough - there's no shortage of inspiration!
- 4 **Every song tells a story**  
Read the lyrics to your favourite song, then sing it!
- 5 **Read it before you see it!**  
Check out upcoming film releases and challenge yourself to read the book first. It might bring out your inner Spielberg!
- 6 **Going for gold!**  
Love sport? Read the sports pages of a newspaper or seek out the life story of your sporting hero.
- 7 **An award-winner!**  
Take a look at the shortlists for a reading award like Oscar's Book Prize or the Carnegie Award - and see if you agree with the judges!
- 8 **Poems, please!**  
If you're looking for a quick reading fix, why not try a poem or six!
- 9 **Old favourites**  
Re-read a favourite book from your younger years. Ours include *The Gruffalo* by Julia Donaldson and *We're Going on a Bear Hunt* by Michael Rosen.
- 10 **Top Trumps!**  
Challenge your best mate to a classic game of Top Trumps - you could even have a go at making your own!
- 11 **And a classic is born...**  
Find a book published in the year you were born and give it a read.
- 12 **A trip of a lifetime!**  
Where would you love to visit? Use travel brochures and guides, the internet and atlases to find out more about your dream destination.
- 13 **It's the way you tell 'em!**  
Read a joke book and test out your favourites on friends and family.
- 14 **Family favourites!**  
What did your parents or grandparents enjoy reading when they were your age? Maybe you could both read it at the same time.
- 15 **Read it, then eat it!**  
Find a cookery book or look online and be inspired by the recipes. Bake it, and enjoy the results over another good book.
- 16 **'To be or not to be?'**  
Read a playscript - from Shakespeare's *Taming of the Shrew* to J.K. Rowling's *Fantastic Beasts* original screenplay - it'll bring out the actor in you!
- 17 **Truth is stranger than fiction**  
So said Mark Twain in 1897. Find fascinating facts in an encyclopaedia or wonder at weird record breakers.
- 18 **Reading rules, ok!**  
No literally, try reading some rules - dig out the instructions to a game you've never played, and then give it a go!

And don't stop there... what's your next reading challenge!

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## Challenge 1

### What's YOUR story?

For each item read, write down what you learned from it.

One-two sentences.



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## Challenge 2

Random reading challenges?

Tick and date each one when completed.



# Random reading challenges!

Tick the box when you have completed the challenge.

Read...

- ...outdoors
- ...at night
- ...a magazine
- ...a cook book
- ...to your pet
- ...at breakfast
- ...during lunchtime
- ...about animals
- ...in a den
- ...about magic
- ...about facts
- ...to a friend
- ...something online
- ...a book you'd abandoned
- ...a non-fiction book
- ...about science
- ...a book you can finish in a day
- ...a book of poetry
- ...to an adult

Feel free to invent your own challenges too!



# In a land far, far away...

Books can take you on adventures around the world, into space or even to fantastical lands. Where have the books you've read taken you?

## Challenge 3

Where have books taken you?

Share your adventures with peers in tutor time when you return to school.

Discworld

Sherwood Forest

Narnia

Avalon

Wonderland

Middle Earth

Oz

Fantastica

Hogwarts