

JANUARY

- Title does not start with A, An, or The
- Story about Native Americans
- Book on a top shelf at the Bethalto Library
- Book with snow on the cover
- Set in the South (16+)
- A graphic novel (0-15)

FEBRUARY

- Author's name has a U or V in it
- Set in the past
- Main character is very different from you
- Story ends on an even numbered page
- A psychological thriller (16+)
- An exciting book (0-15)

MARCH

- Story about family
- Book published more than 24 years ago
- Title begins with the letter "D"
- Set in a place you've never visited
- A "guilty" pleasure (16+)
- A book that makes you smile (0-15)

2024

YEAR LONG
READING CHALLENGE

APRIL

- Title has four words
- Story involves science
- Genre you don't usually read
- Bestseller in 2023
- Author is from another country (16+)
- Story about nature (0-15)

MAY

- Set in summer
- A cover you love
- A Library staff member recommendation
- Award winner
- Historical fiction (16+)
- Story about friendship (0-15)

JUNE

- Book that will keep you up all night
- A man on the cover
- Story involves fire
- Three books by the same author - 1st book
- Set in Paris (16+)
- Title starts with the word "What" (0-15)

JULY

- A long book
- A woman on the cover
- Story ends on an odd numbered page
- Three books by the same author - 2nd book
- Set during World War II (16+)
- Story based on a true event (0-15)

AUGUST

- Story involves an animal
- Book from the NEW shelves at the Bethalto Library
- Set on a plane, train, or ship
- Three books by the same author - 3rd book
- With an epilogue (16+)
- Title starts with the letter "L" (0-15)

SEPTEMBER

- A blue spine
- Author is older than you
- A clever title
- Story involves a secret
- Classic you've never read before (16+)
- A daytime scene on the cover (0-15)

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This reading challenge is for everyone! Pick any book that meets the month's prompts, then log your reading in the Beanstack app or on the paper forms, and you are automatically entered for that month's prize drawings.

Prizes are a gift card from your choice of one of these places in our community – DQ, El Mezcal, Laux Brick House, McDonald's, QT, Roma's Pizza, Scooter's Coffee. \$15 for ages 0-15. \$25 for ages 16+. You are eligible to win up to three times during the year.

You do not have to complete prompts every month. We know life sometimes gets busy! This is a reading challenge you can participate in at any time during 2024.

Each book read fulfills a single prompt. Need help finding a good book? Check out the displays at our Library or ask our Librarians for recommendations for any prompt.

OCTOBER

- Medieval times play a role in the story
- A fantasy
- Published between 2004 and 2014
- A nighttime scene on the cover
- Author is younger than you (16+)
- Story about kindness (0-15)

NOVEMBER

- Set in winter
- Someone is missing
- Author's first, middle, and last name on the cover
- On the New York Times bestseller list before 2020
- Book you read a review about first (16+)
- A funny book (0-15)

DECEMBER

- Popular book you've never read
- Book about books
- Book on a bottom shelf at the Bethalto Library
- Book with the beach/ocean on the cover
- Historical mystery (16+)
- An audiobook/Wonderbook (0-15)