



Arroyo's 6th Annual Summer 2018 Reading Challenge



READ! READ! HERE, THERE, & EVERYWHERE!

In September, summer reading evidence will be collected. If the evidence meets the requirements, students will be invited to our annual Summer Reading Celebration.

Arroyo's Summer Reading Challenge (SRC) has been a great success for the last five years. Last year, our summer readers read a total of 309,696 pages, far exceeding the 1000 pages per student minimum and far exceeding the totals from prior years! All participants also read in a minimum of 10 different places, with many students reading in 30 or more different places! This year, by popular demand, we are once again challenging students to "Read! Read! Here, There, & Everywhere"! Like last year, this year's challenge asks students to read a **minimum of 1000 pages**, which amounts to about 15-20 pages of reading per day and is consistent with what research shows is required to avoid summer reading loss (which is a decline in reading development that occurs when children don't read over the summer). And, students are being asked to "read everywhere" — specifically, kids must also read in **at least 10 different locations** to qualify for the summer reading medal and celebration in the Fall. We hope this encourages kids to take books with them this summer, whether it be in their own backyard, in the car around town, on a summer adventure, or on travels to faraway lands!

Instructions for Completing the Reading Log

In the SRC packet that was sent home with your child, there is a yellow over-sized "100 Places Checklist" of 100 places where reading might occur (you'll see that a few items are not "places" per se). The places are organized into six categories: In My House, Outside, Around Town, On Summer Adventures, Traveling, and With A... For each book read, students must select a place from the checklist where they read it and write down both the title of the book and the number of pages (or page ranges) read in that location. If a book was read in multiple places, the student can write the title in each of the locations, specifying the number of pages read in each place (e.g., "in a pool 1-100", "at the beach pages 101-140"). The categories are simply for organizational purposes — reading does not have to happen in all of the categories!

Also in the SRC packet is an Extra Log Sheet, which students can use to write down titles and pages of additional books read — so if a student reads ten books "in a sleeping bag", then one of those should be noted on the yellow checklist, and the other nine books should be recorded on the extra log sheet. Also, the extra log sheet can be used to record books that are read in a place that is not on the yellow checklist (please note these unique places with a star on the extra log sheet). The intent is to document ALL pages read and ALL places, so please use the extra log sheet and make additional copies of it as needed.

At the end of the summer, add up the total number of pages as indicated on the 100 Places Checklist and the Extra Log Sheet(s), and write down the total on the appropriate line on the yellow checklist. Also count up the total number of DIFFERENT places read as indicated by the checks in the boxes on the yellow checklist and the stars on the extra log sheet, and write this number on the appropriate line as well.

There will be links on the Arroyo PTA webpage to the 100 Places Checklist and the Extra Log Sheet so that these files can be printed as needed. Note that the yellow 100 Pages Checklist is formatted for printing on 11x17 paper.

Keep In Mind...

When helping your child choose books, remember that texts of ALL kinds “count”, including chapter books, picture books, wordless picture books, audio books, e-books, comic books, poetry, and magazines. Also, READING ALOUD is exceptionally beneficial for kids of all abilities and grades, and it “counts” in tallies of summer reading. So, even if your child is not a competent or avid reader (or not yet a reader at all), this challenge should be do-able! A child who is not yet reading could successfully complete this challenge with the help of a parent/adult who reads aloud 15-20 minutes a day!!

Taking and Sharing Photos

Please share photos of your kids reading everywhere this summer, especially in summer-themed places and places outside your home! If you share on social media, use the hashtag **#ArroyoSRC2018**. Or, email your photos to aliposner@me.com and put ArroyoSRC in the subject line. Photos will be compiled and used in our summer reading video to share with our community. Pictures of Arroyo teachers and staff, as well as pets, are welcome as well!

Turning in Your Summer Reading Evidence

1. The yellow 100 Places Checklist must be fully filled out by all participating students, including student name, 2018-2019 grade and teacher, total # of pages read, total # of different places read, and the specific information for each book read (place, book title # pages or page range). Evidence will not be considered if any information is missing! Please also attach all Extra Log Sheets if they were needed.
2. Student and parent signatures indicate that the evidence is a legitimate reflection of the child’s reading this summer and that both parent and student believe the evidence meets the criteria as specified in this challenge.
3. Please DO NOT submit evidence unless it meets the minimum requirements — at least 1000 pages and 10 different places!

As most Arroyo parents know, encouraging our kids to read over the summer is one of the most significant ways parents can promote our kids’ reading achievement, overall academic achievement, and their development into lifelong readers and learners. Children who do not read in the summer lose 2-3 months of reading growth, compared to children who do read and tend to gain about a month or more of reading proficiency. This difference creates a 3-4 month gap every year, which results in a long-term cumulative gap of several years or more and affects academic achievement in middle and high school. As you head into summer, try to help your child disconnect “reading” from “schoolwork”, especially if they are strongly linked in your family. Emphasize the many bigger-than-school reasons to read, such as for pleasure, to relax, to learn, and to connect to worlds beyond your own. Help your child make reading a regular part of their summer by setting up the expectation to read, by making time for reading, by packing books when you go on short and long excursions, and by reading aloud together and talking about what you read.

Lead by example, and show your child *from the start of summer* that reading is a regular and enjoyable part of daily (not just school) life!

How many *PAGES* and *PLACES* can you read?! Remember, 1000 pages and 10 places are minimums! Let’s see if we can surpass last summer’s total and read more than a combined 309,696 pages, while reading EVERYWHERE at the same time! GOOD LUCK AND HAVE FUN!!!

Please contact Ali Posner at aliposner@me.com if you have questions.



OUTSIDE

IN MY BACKYARD
ON A DRIVEWAY
IN THE SHADE
ON A PORCH OR BALCONY
BY THE POOL
ON A POOL STEP
ON A ROCK
IN A RAFT
ON A SWING
IN A HAMMOCK
UNDER/IN A TREE
IN A TREE HOUSE
ON A BENCH
ON A PLAYSET
SITTING ON A SKATEBOARD
IN A TENT
BY A CAMPFIRE
ON A LOG
LAYING IN THE GRASS
IN A GARDEN

(TITLE OF BOOK)

(# OF PAGES)

TRAVELING

IN A CAR
ON A BUS
ON A TRAIN
ON A PLANE
AT THE AIRPORT
AT A HOTEL
AT A VACATION HOME
IN A DIFFERENT CITY
IN A DIFFERENT STATE
IN A DIFFERENT COUNTRY
IN A HOTEL ROOM
ON AN ISLAND
IN A TAXI
ON A TRAM OR SUBWAY
ON/UNDER A BRIDGE

WITH A...

FRIEND
SIBLING
GRANDPARENT
COUSIN
AUNT/UNCLE
PET
PARENT
STUFFED ANIMAL
COSTUME ON
FLASHLIGHT IN THE DARK

STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____

PARENT SIGNATURE: _____



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READ! READ! HERE, THERE, & EVERYWHERE!

NAME: _____

GRADE/TEACHER 2017-2018: _____

TOTAL # OF PAGES READ: _____ (MIN. 1,000) TOTAL # OF DIFFERENT PLACES READ: _____ (MIN. 10)

IN MY HOUSE

- AT THE TABLE
- ON A CHAIR/COUCH
- IN A CLOSET
- IN A KID-MADE TENT
- IN THE BATHTUB
- IN MY ROOM
- IN A SLEEPING BAG
- ON THE TOILET
- IN MY BED
- IN MY PARENTS' BED
- WHILE SOMEONE'S COOKING
- ON THE FLOOR
- AFTER A MEAL

(TITLE OF BOOK)

(# OF PAGES)

AROUND TOWN

- AT SOMEONE ELSE'S HOUSE
- AT A SLEEPOVER
- WHILE I'M WAITING
- IN A CLOTHING STORE
- IN A GROCERY STORE
- AT A BANK
- AT A POSTOFFICE
- AT A RESTAURANT
- AT A COFFEE SHOP
- AT AN ICE CREAM SHOP
- AT THE LIBRARY
- AT A BOOKSTORE
- AT THE DOCTOR'S OFFICE
- AT THE DENTIST
- IN A NAIL/HAIR SALON

ON SUMMER ADVENTURES

- ON A BOAT
- AT A LAKE
- AT A PARK
- AT A FARM
- AT SUMMER CAMP
- ON TOP OF A MOUNTAIN
- ON A PICNIC
- AT A PARTY
- AT A CONCERT
- AT A FAIR OR CARNIVAL
- IN A MUSEUM
- IN A SKYSCRAPER
- AT A THEME PARK
- ON A GOLF CART
- AT THE BEACH
- ON A PIER
- ON A HIKE
- AT THE ZOO
- AT A WATERPARK
- AT THE RIVER
- IN THE WOODS/FOREST
- AT A THEATRE
- AT A SPORTS EVENT
- ON THE 4TH OF JULY
- ON A HOT AIR BALLOON
- IN A CASTLE
- ON THE LAST DAY OF SUMMER



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★ EXTRA LOG SHEET ★

PLACE READ

TITLE OF BOOK

OF PAGES

PUT A STAR BY THE PLACES THAT ARE DIFFERENT THAN ANY OF THE PLACES ON THE 100-ITEM CHECKLIST!

