



Saint Benedict Catholic School

Reading Challenge 2020

Student Reading Record 2019-2020

The 2019-20 Reading Challenge finishes March 20, 2020

Name			
House		Teacher	Grade

Ask a parent, teacher, or librarian to initial each of the 12 books you have read in the right hand column to indicate that the books are at an appropriate level for you and that the authors and titles are correct.

Please list the eight books you have read from the Challenge Booklist.

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	Title	Author	Adult Sign
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Please list the other four books you have read. (These books can be your own choice or from the Challenge Booklist.)

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**When completed, please give this form to your school librarian
before the March 20 deadline.**

Awards will be distributed after the challenge is closed.

Reading Challenge Guidelines

What is the SBCS Reading Challenge?

The Reading Challenge is a literacy engagement strategy that requires students to read twelve age appropriate books in a school year. Challenge completers receive an annual award.

Who can participate:

All students: The Reading Challenge is open to all students at Saint Benedict Catholic School. Grades JK-5 will be supported in this effort by their weekly library visits. Middle school students who do not have a weekly library visit may also participate in the challenge.

What must students do:

1. **Read:** Students are challenged to read 12 books from the start of the school year until the end of March.
2. **Record:** Students will record the titles and authors of the books they read and turn in their record by the end of the challenge.
3. **Endorsement:** Teachers, librarians, public librarians or parents must sign each entry on the Student Reading Record. This indicates that a student has read (or shared in the reading of) a book at an appropriate literacy level and that the book title and author are accurate.

Book Choices:

1. **JK, K & 1st Grade** students will read books of their own choice at an appropriate literacy level. Some suggestions are included in the booklist for your convenience, but these students do not need to choose from the list.
2. **2nd – 8th Grade** students will read at least 8 of the 12 books from the Reading Challenge booklist at their appropriate literacy level. The other 4 books may be of their own choice (at a similar standard to books on the list) or may also be from the Challenge book list.
3. **Find books** from the list at your public library. You may want to purchase books from discounters like Goodwill, Thrift Books, AbeBooks, eBay, and more. Plan ahead and trade books with friends. The school library has only a small number of titles from this list. If you purchase a book and want to donate it to the school library when you are done reading, we will make it available for other Reading Challenge students to borrow.

Appropriate books:

1. **Literacy level:** Students should read to their level of language proficiency to achieve the Reading Challenge goal. **This may mean reading books from a different year level group as deemed appropriate by the student's parents and teachers.** Guidance may be required for students in their choice of titles from book lists for older students.
2. **Pre-readers** will participate in literacy building and reading with activities such as: observing pictures, listening attentively, turning pages, discussing a story, noticing details, predicting outcomes, and answering questions with guidance from a reading partner (parent, sibling, or other). Pre-readers can "show and tell" a favorite book to a reading partner for credit.
3. **Reading aloud together** books that are at or above the child's appropriate literacy level is permitted, as are e-books, and audiobooks.
4. **Languages:** Students may choose to read books in other languages, especially those students from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds who are learning English as a second language.

Book categories:

1. **Students are encouraged** to read a variety of genres.
2. **Book series:** If at least one book from a series is included on the Reading Challenge booklist, then any book from that series can also be included.

Awards:

1. **Only 1 award/year:** Students cannot receive more than one award per year; i.e. reading 24 books in one year will not result in two awards. However, you are encouraged to go above and beyond the required reading for the Challenge.
2. **House Points:** Students completing the challenge will earn points for their House.

School coordination and celebration:

1. **Contacts:** Send an email to Mrs. Clark (mclark@saintbenedictschool.org) if you have questions.
2. **Award presentations:** TBD. Likely the Reading Challenge awards will be presented at either the April 3 Honor Roll Assembly or a sponsored Literacy Night.