



I'M ON MY WAY TO 1,000 BOOKS!

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Mark a circle every time you share a book together. When you complete 100, bring it to the Library for your prize and next sheet. And then...keep reading!



Visit <https://www.madisoncountylibrary.net/youth-programs.html> or call 828.649.3741.

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten



Did you know that reading to your child is one of the most powerful ways to boost his or her brain power? The simple and enjoyable act of sharing books helps your child learn pre-reading skills such as understanding the sounds letters make, developing a bigger vocabulary, and building background knowledge—all important skills that help prepare your child for learning to read and entering kindergarten.

Madison County Public Libraries' 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program is a fun, exciting, and free way to start your child on the path to success! Any child ages birth to five years can participate.

Just follow these steps:

1. **Track Your Reading:** Fill in a circle for each book you read with your child on your reading record – or you can use the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten app (iOS and Android).
2. **Every Book Counts:** Even if your child wants to hear the same book again and again, you can count it each time. You can also count the books your child hears in story time, in daycare or preschool, or with a friend or family member, if your child listens to the entire book.
3. **100-Book Milestones:** Each time you read 100 books, bring your reading record to the library (or show us your app) to receive a special reward. Take home a new reading record for your next 100 books.
4. **1,000 Books:** You did it! Come celebrate at the library, see your child's name placed on the 1,000 Book Wall of Fame.
5. **Keep on Reading:** Don't stop at 1,000! Keep on reading together; there's more learning ahead!

Visit the library often for free programs that are fun and educational for your little one and to find great books to share with your child.

One thousand books may seem like a lot, but if you read just one book a night, you'll meet your goal in less than 3 years. If you read three books a night, you could reach your goal in just one year!

10 Books and Authors Your Child Should Hear Before Kindergarten

- Day, Alexandra - *Good Dog, Carl*
- Degen, Bruce - *Jamberry*
- Ehlert, Lois - *Feathers for Lunch*
- Emberley, Ed - *Go Away, Big Green Monster!*
- Falconer, Ian - *Olivia*
- Rohman, Eric - *My Friend Rabbit*
- Rylant, Cynthia - *The Relatives Came*
- Seeger, Laura Vaccaro - *First the Egg*
- Seuss, Dr. - *Green Eggs and Ham*
- Shaw, Charles - *It Looked Like Spilt Milk*

Early Literacy Activities to Try at Home

- Dictate (retell) a story to someone else.
- Get a library card!
- Tell an adult about what happened on a special day, such as a holiday, birthday, or on a family vacation.
- Sing, "Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes."
- Recite or sing nursery rhymes.

