

Winter Reading Challenge

Oh, the weather outside is frightful...so it is the perfect time to snuggle under a blanket with a good book and to complete the Reader Services Winter Reading Challenge.

How it Works

- There are eight Reading Challenges (four basic and four advanced) and four non-reading challenges.
- For each challenge you complete you will get a point.
- Earn two points and you'll be invited to a gathering to celebrate the end of winter.
- You have the opportunity to win three small prizes: One for completing all of the basic challenges; one for completing all of the advanced challenges; and one for completing all of the reading and non-reading challenges.
- Each point will also count as a ticket for the raffle to be held at the party.
- You may read any book you want that fits the challenge.
- Not sure what to read? We will send out some suggestions each month to inspire you.
- Sign up and submit your completed challenge online at <https://emlibny10.readsquared.com/> or in-person at the reference desk.

Guidelines

- All books used for a challenge must be read during that month and be submitted by the date indicated on the challenge.
- Books may be fiction or non-fiction.
- You may read the books in any format (e-book, audiobook, e-audiobook, graphic novel, large print).
- Children's picture books, cookbooks or travel guides will not be accepted.
- Non-reading challenges can be done any time between November and February, but must be submitted by the date indicated.
- Reviews for the reading challenges are not required, but encouraged.
- You may only submit one response to each challenge.
- You must complete the basic challenge before completing the advanced challenge.
- Each book may be used for only one challenge and the book you use to complete the advanced challenge must be different from the book you used for the basic challenge.

If you have any questions, contact the Reader Services department at readerservices.info

The Challenges

Reading Challenges

November (Submit by December 4th)

Basic Challenge: Read a book that focuses on food or where food plays a major role.

Advanced Challenge: Read a book with recipes in it.

Cookbooks do not count for either the basic or advanced Challenge.

December (Submit by January 4th)

Basic Challenge: Read a book that features a winter holiday (Diwali, Thanksgiving, Winter Solstice, Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, New Year's, Valentine's Day).

Advanced Challenge: Read a book that features a winter holiday you do not celebrate. May not be the same holiday featured in the book you read for the basic challenge.

January (Submit by February 4th)

Basic Challenge: Read the first book in a series.

Advanced Challenge: Read the second book in the same series.

February (Submit by March 4th)

Basic Challenge: Read a book featuring a historical event that took place in the United States during the winter.

Advanced Challenge: Read a book featuring a historical event that took place outside the United States during the winter.

Non-Reading Challenges (Submit by March 4th)

1. Take out a craft book and complete a craft (send us a picture of the book and the craft at readerservices@eastmeadow.info).
2. Take out and watch a movie that takes place during the winter.
3. Make a food featured in the book you read for one of the December challenges using a cookbook from the library or a recipe in the book you read for the advanced challenge. (Send us the recipe you used and a picture of your dish at readerservices@eastmeadow.info).
4. Attend our Local Author Festival on November 14th between 1-4.