*WHAT COUNTS AS MINUTES READ?

Reading not only includes sitting down and reading the words in a book - reading is so much more! All of the literacy activities below (and more) "count" as minutes read:

- Attending storytime or book club or other library program.
- Reading a recipe as you cook.
- Listening to an audiobook or story read aloud.
- Reading the signs as you take a walk around your neighborhood.
- Singing the alphabet song.
- Looking at a picture book.
- What other literacy activities can you think of? Tell a librarian!

Reading and participating in literacy activites for at least 15 minutes each day supports vocabulary growth, improves reading comprehension, and predicts future internal motivation to read. People of all ages, infants through adults, experience benefits of daily reading!

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2025

COLOR OUR WORLD™

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JUNE 2 TO AUGUST 9

SUMMER PERFORMER SERIES

ANIMALS, MUSIC, MAGIC, THEATER, SCIENCE, PUPPETS, AND MORE!

JUNE 10 TO AUGUST 1

TUESDAYS
Nelson, 10am
Louisa, 2pm

WEDNESDAYS
Crozet*, 10am
Gordon Ave, 2pm

THURSDAYS
Scottsville, 10am
Greene, 2pm

FRIDAYS
Central, 10am
Northside, 3pm

For children of all ages with a caregiver. No registration required.
At Crozet Library, free tickets available starting at 9am, while supplies last.

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HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

1. Sign up at any JMRL branch and receive a library tote!

2. Record the number of minutes you read* each week inside this brochure or in the Beanstack app.

3. Earn prize books and grand prize entries for reaching 300 minutes and 600 minutes.

4. Visit the library every week during the challenge to add a new color to your library tote, and to see if you've earned your next prize!

Questions? Ask a JMRL staff member or visit jmrl.org/challenges.

RECORD YOUR READING* MINUTES
*WHAT COUNTS? FLIP TO THE BACK TO FIND OUT!

Write the number of minutes you read* each day on the calendar.
Add up your minutes for the week and write the total!
Give your best estimate if you aren't sure exactly.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	TOTAL
6/2	6/3	6/4	6/5	6/6	6/7	6/8	WEEK 1
6/9	6/10	6/11	6/12	6/13	6/14	6/15	WEEK 2
6/16	6/17	6/18	6/19	6/20	6/21	6/22	WEEK 3
6/23	6/24	6/25	6/26	6/27	6/28	6/29	WEEK 4
6/30	7/1	7/2	7/3	7/4	7/5	7/6	WEEK 5
7/7	7/8	7/9	7/10	7/11	7/12	7/13	WEEK 6
7/14	7/15	7/16	7/17	7/18	7/19	7/20	WEEK 7
7/21	7/22	7/23	7/24	7/25	7/26	7/27	WEEK 8
7/28	7/29	7/30	7/31	8/1	8/2	8/3	WEEK 9
8/4	8/5	8/6	8/7	8/8	8/9		WEEK 10