

1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Learning to read begins long before a child starts school. Reading to your children is the best way to prepare them for Kindergarten! Any child from birth to entering Kindergarten can participate in this self-paced early literacy program at the Louis Latzer Public Library .

The goal is to read 1000 books together during the early childhood years. This helps ensure that children entering Kindergarten are ready to read. It also helps to instill a lifelong love of reading in your children.

How Does It Work?

For each book read, color in a circle on the back of this sheet.

Turn in this reading log to the Children's Help Desk when completed.

Turn in 10 sheets to complete the program.

FAQs

1000 Books is a LOT of books. Can we really do it?

Yes. If you read just one book a day you will complete the program in just three years.

I'm not the only one reading to my child. Does that still count?

Yes. Any book shared with your child can be counted for this program. This includes stories read by parents, grandparents, siblings, babysitters, etc. You can also count books read during library story times.

My child likes to hear the same book over and over. How do we count that?

Repetition is the key to learning. Each time you read a book—it counts. If you read the same book five times, you can count it five times.

We have a lot of books at home. Can we count them?

Yes. You can read books from anywhere, not just library books.

I'm not sure what to read to my child. Can you help?

Yes. The librarians are always happy to help you find books to read to your child. Simply ask the next time you drop by the library for some recommendations.

