



Saint Benedict Catholic School

3rd-8th grade *Know Your Authors* Reading Challenge

Complete the challenge by reading EIGHT or more of the following suggestions by the **April 29, 2022** deadline.

Challenge	Title
Read a Mary Fabyan Windeatt book about a saint	
Read a Tomie de Paola picture book about a saint or Bible story	
Read a "Who Was?" biography	
Read a Tintin adventure by Herge	
Read a nonfiction graphic novel by Nathan Hale	
Read a book by R.A. Montgomery	
Read a book by L.M. Montgomery	
Read a book by Gary Paulsen	
Read a book by Scott O'Dell	
Read a book by Wendelin Van Draanen	
Read a book by Marguerite Henry	
Read a book by Shaquille O'Neal, Matt Christopher, Tim Green or Mike Lupica	
Read a book by Eleanor Estes	
Read a book by Hilda Van Stockum	
Read a book by Madeleine L'Engle	
Read a picture book by Patricia Polacco	
Read a book by Kate DiCamillo	
Read a book by Brian Jacques	
Read a book by E. Nesbit	
Read a book by Betty G. Birney	
Read a book by Tom Angleberger	
Read a book written by a favorite author of yours	Author: _____ Title: _____

Parent signature: _____

Reading Challenge 2021-2022 Guidelines

What is the SBCS Reading Challenge?

The Reading Challenge is a literacy engagement strategy that encourages students to read for pleasure throughout the school year. **The challenge is voluntary.** Challenge participants must document their reading and those who complete the challenge will receive an award and earn House points. **The Reading Challenge begins now and ends on April 29th, 2022.**

What must students do:

1. **Read:** Students, you may choose any of the categories on the reading log. Rankings are as follows.
 - **Challenge Readers** will read eight books to complete the challenge.
 - **Avid Readers** will complete more than eight books.
 - If you complete fifteen or more books, you are a **Master Reader**.
2. **Record:** Do not lose this sheet! As you read, write the title of the books you finish and turn in your record by the end of the challenge.
3. **Endorsement:** A parent/guardian must sign the challenge form to indicate that the student has read (or shared in the reading of) books at an appropriate literacy level.
4. Please do not count books that you read before the start of the challenge; all books must be read during this school year. However, re-reading a favorite is permitted.
5. Turn in your completed reading log to the librarian.

Book Choices:

1. A great place to find books is, of course, your **public library**.
2. Students can also place holds on books for check-out from the **school library**.
3. **Classroom libraries** are good sources for reading; ask your **teachers** for recommendations.

Appropriate books:

1. **Literacy level:** Students should read to their level of language proficiency to achieve the Reading Challenge goal as deemed appropriate by the student's parents and teachers.
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 translated into other languages, especially those students from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds who are learning English as a second language.
5. **Substitutions are acceptable:** The purpose of the challenge is to **encourage** reading, so if you find a favorite author you want to stick with, you can count all the books you read toward the challenge.

Awards:

1. **House Points:** Students completing the challenge will earn points for their House.
2. Students will receive an award **certificate** and **bookmark** at the end of the challenge.

Contact: Send an email to Mrs. Clark (mclark@saintbenedictschool.org) if you have questions.