

THE BURLINGAME PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESENTS:



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Welcome to the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten reading challenge!
A big first step to prepare your child to be a lifelong reader and learner.

Take this challenge with your baby, toddler, or preschool child because research shows that children who hear words – through reading, talking, and singing – are much better prepared to be readers when starting school.

It's easier than you think:



Instructions:

★ **Sign up:** Pick up this booklet to record book titles or download the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten app for your phone. (Available for iPhone and Android.)



★ **Track your reading:** Write down or record book titles in this log or on your phone app.

★ **Show your progress:** Your child receives a free paperback book when you read 500 books.

★ **Big Finish:** When you read 1000 books, receive your completion certificate and another free book!



- 1 **Be a reader** – Let your child see you reading for pleasure and keep plenty of child-friendly books around the house
- 2 **Make it a habit** – Read together as a regular part of your routine
- 3 **Read it again** – Involve your child by having them ask questions and make observations
- 4 **Start young, read often** – Sit side by side and point to the pictures and words in the book
- 5 **Always carry a book** – Fit in reading wherever you are
- 6 **Visit the library** – Get a library card for every family member and ask your librarian for book suggestions



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**Hooray! You read 500 books!
You are half way there!
Visit Burlingame Public Library
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