

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten



The concept is simple; the rewards are priceless!

The goal of this **free program** is to read 1,000 books to your child before he or she starts kindergarten. It's easier than you might think. If you read just one book a night, you will have read 365 books in a year. That is 730 books in two years and 1,095 books in three years! If you consider that most children start kindergarten when they are around 5 years old, you have more time than you think—so get started!

How to Participate

- Read with your child. Studies have shown that reading with your child provides a great opportunity for **bonding**. Reading together is fun and will create life-long memories.
- Use the Reading Log provided to **keep track** of the titles of the books that you read with your child. When you reach the end of the sheet, stop by any W-TCPL location for a new one.
- If you can, make sure to keep a **record** of “any” book that is read to your child. This includes books read by teachers, librarians, siblings, and other family and friends.

Frequently Asked Questions

- Who can participate in this program? *Any child from birth until when he or she enters kindergarten can participate in the **1,000 Books Before Kindergarten** program.*
- How long will the program take? *The program will take anywhere from a few months to a few years. The program is self-paced and will depend on how often you read together.*
- How many of my children can participate? *All of them (provided they have not yet started kindergarten). Make it even more fun and read as a family!*
- What can we read? *Any book! The books read don't have to be from the library, though that's a great place to get a variety to share with your child.*
- Does it count if we read the same book over and over? *Yes, you can repeat books! Repetition is a great way to build language and literacy skills. And, as we all know, young children LOVE to read the same book over and over and over again.*



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Brookfield, OH 44403
330.448.8134

Cortland Branch Library
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Cortland, OH 44410
330.638.6335

Howland Branch Library
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Warren, OH 44484
330.856.2011

Liberty Branch Library
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Youngstown, OH 44505
330.759.2589

Lordstown Branch Library
1471 Salt Springs Rd.
Warren, OH 44481
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