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Summer Reading Program 2020

June 15, 2020- August 14, 2020

Teen Challenge: Grades 8-12

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MORE ABOUT THE CHALLENGE

Thank you for participating in the Public Library of Brookline’s Summer Reading Program! This year, participants will complete activities and earn badges, all while building academic, social-emotional, and literacy skills.

There are two ways to participate! Track your own progress with this log book or register on Beanstack to join our community-wide effort to work towards a donation to the Brookline Food Pantry. You register, the Friends of the Brookline Public Library donate!

Participants who register online and track activities with Beanstack will also have the chance to be entered into our weekly raffles to win gift cards to local businesses!

To register for Beanstack directly, visit www.brooklinelibrary.beanstack.org. For more information about the challenge, summer programs, and supplemental resources, visit brklib.com/summer20.

Thank you to the Friends of the Brookline Public Library for their generous support of this program. The more participants who register, the closer we get to our goal donation of $1,500 to the Brookline Food Pantry!

Wherever you participate, we hope you have fun and stay safe.

Warmest wishes,
Youth Services Staff of the Public Library of Brookline

BADGE 5: READ AND LIBRARY

Activities to inspire readers—remember, EVERYONE is a reader! For online resources that complement these activities, visit our website at brklib.com/summer20.

Complete five out of ten activities in a badge category to earn the badge. Earn all five badges to complete the challenge!

- Participate in summer reading! If you’re reading this, give yourself a check mark!
- One and done! Read or listen to a stand-alone title.
- Read a food book about a cuisine you’ve never tried before.
- Read or listen to a book where the main character is different from you in some way.
- Read a nonfiction book about a topic you want to learn more about. Check out a list of award-winning nonfiction titles on our website!
- Read or listen a debut novel.
- Read or listen to a funny fiction or nonfiction book.
- Read or listen to an #ownvoices book. Check out the We Need Diverse Books website for some great ideas!
- Read a book with a cover you love.
- Ask a librarian for help finding something new to read, watch, or play. Visit our website for our Recommendation Form!

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BADGE 4: SHUTTERBUG
Activities to inspire creativity and photography. Make sure to share your photos and videos with the Library using the hashtag #SummerInBrookline!

- Recreate your favorite book cover with only items found in your house.
- Make a self portrait with objects from your room that you feel represent you most accurately.
- Recreate a classic movie/Tv/game scene with only items found in your house.
- Celebrate a person you admire with a photo collage or a 30 second to one minute video explaining why they’re amazing.
- Recreate a famous work of art with only items found in your house.
- Make book spine poetry with books from your house and document it with a photo.
- Dress up as an inspiring historical figure and share one fact about them that you love.
- Recommend a story you love to a friend or family member with only one minute to explain why.
- Make a video for your friends that will cheer them up and make them laugh.
- Make a video of yourself reading the fire line or page from your favorite book or poem to entice others to read it.

Congratulations! You’ve earned the badge!

BADGE 1: EXPLORE AND CREATE
Activities to inspire innovation and adventure. For online resources that complement these activities, visit our website at brklib.com/summer20.

- Take a virtual tour of museum or place. Visit our website at brklib.com/summer20 for a list of suggestions!
- Go on a photo scavenger hunt. It can be virtual, inside, or - if it’s safe - outside.
- Check out a guidebook or travelogue to a place you want to visit. Find digital resources on our website at https://www.brooklinelibrary.org/elibrary/e-books/.
- Read, watch, or listen to a story set in a place you want to visit.
- Create a map of your favorite fictional world. Find a map-making resource on our website!
- Make a new recipe or cook a meal for your household. Find recipe ideas on our website!
- Build something new or fix something. Find ideas on our website!
- Create a new piece of art or a craft.
- Learn a new skill or technique relating to your favorite hobby.
- Play or create a new game.

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BADGE 2: CONNECT
Activities to keep you connected with those who matter. For online resources that complement these activities, visit our website at brklib.com/summer20.

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- Write a thank you letter or contribute to a thank you project for our community helpers, such as hospital workers, first responders, educators, etc.
- Share our Summer Reading Program with a friend or sibling.
- Interview an adult in your neighborhood or community about their teen years and how they came to live in our community.
- Use sidewalk chalk to create a game or write a message for your neighbors to see and enjoy.
- Donate to an organization, local business, or person in need. Your donation can be time, expertise, food, goods, or money.
- Write a letter to an elected official about something that is important to you.
- Help with chores or a group project around your house.
- Take the initiative in creating a virtual social event for yourself and friends or family that haven’t connected in awhile.
- For one week, share via social media one item in your house a day that makes you happy, using the hashtag #SummerInBrookline.
- Do a collaborative art project with family or friends.

Congratulations! You’ve earned the badge!

BADGE 3: SELF-CARE
Activities to encourage self-care. For online resources that complement these activities, visit our website at brklib.com/summer20.

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- Take a walk in or to a favorite place.
- Sit quietly outside and listen to the world around you for at least 10 minutes. Remember to turn off your phone!
- Go stargazing.
- Try a contemplative practice for a week: meditation, mindfulness, etc.
- Pamper yourself! Have a spa day at home. Visit our website at brklib.com/summer20 for some DIY spa ideas.
- Get up and move. Flow through a yoga class, take a walk, or throw a solo dance party.
- Re-read a favorite story.
- Write a poem, short story, or a letter by hand.
- Listen to a favorite song or album of music in its entirety without any other distractions.

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