

# Are you up for the Extreme Book Nerd for Kids

## Challenge 2026?

# 25 books in 50 weeks

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### Guidelines:

- The Book Nerd Challenge runs January 6 through **December 19, 2026**.
- Read 25 books in 25 categories (one book per category) by **December 19, 2026** There are 26 categories - you choose which category to skip.
- You must be an **independent reader** in grades 1-6 and not participating in the teen program.
- The title and author of every book read for Extreme Book Nerd for Kids must be recorded in Beanstack at [ifpl.beanstack.com](http://ifpl.beanstack.com)
- Library staff must sign off on your completed challenge in your Extreme Book Nerd for Kids reading log no later than 5:00pm on Saturday, **December 19, 2026**.
- Reading logs can be a journal, spreadsheet, list, or simply on Beanstack but the final list must be recorded in Beanstack at [ifpl.beanstack.com](http://ifpl.beanstack.com)
- Books read for other reading programs and book clubs can be counted toward this challenge as long as they fit into one of the categories (i.e. summer reading program, winter reading program, book clubs, school assignments, etc.) and are completed by **December 19, 2026**.
- Books must be at the Junior Fiction, Junior Graphic Novels, and Junior Nonfiction level or higher. No other books from the Children's department, including intermediate, easy readers, picture books, or board books are allowed. Magazines are not allowed.
- Books must be **at least** 100 pages in length.
- Books beyond the needed 25 will not be counted toward another challenge, nor will another prize be awarded.
- Participants who finish the challenge by **December 19, 2026** will receive an Extreme Book Nerd for Kids sling bag.
- **YOU MUST HAVE A CURRENT LIBRARY CARD DURING THE PROGRAM AND WHEN YOU PICK UP YOUR PRIZE IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR PRIZES.**

**Only 1 category per book. You cannot use the same book for multiple categories.**

A book that was made in to a movie

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A historical fiction book

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A book older than you

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A book published the year you were born

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A book published in 2026

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A Newbery winner or honor book

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A book by an author who has the same first initial as you

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A book about a STEM subject

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A book with an animal on the cover

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

Two books by the same author—book 1

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

Two books by the same author—book 2

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A Pura Belpre Medal winner or honor book

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A book set in medieval times

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A book found on the top shelf

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A book with chapter titles

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A book with feet on the cover

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A book that has a competition or race in it

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A book with the word “Lost” or “Found” in the title

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A book with mountains or clouds on the cover

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A book that is listed on one of the 2026 EBANK booklists

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A book you saw someone else reading

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A book with a black or white cover

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A book you found on a library display

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A book recommended by an IFPL librarian

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A book whose author’s last name has 8 letters or more

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

A Wild Card. Pick up at the Children’s desk

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_