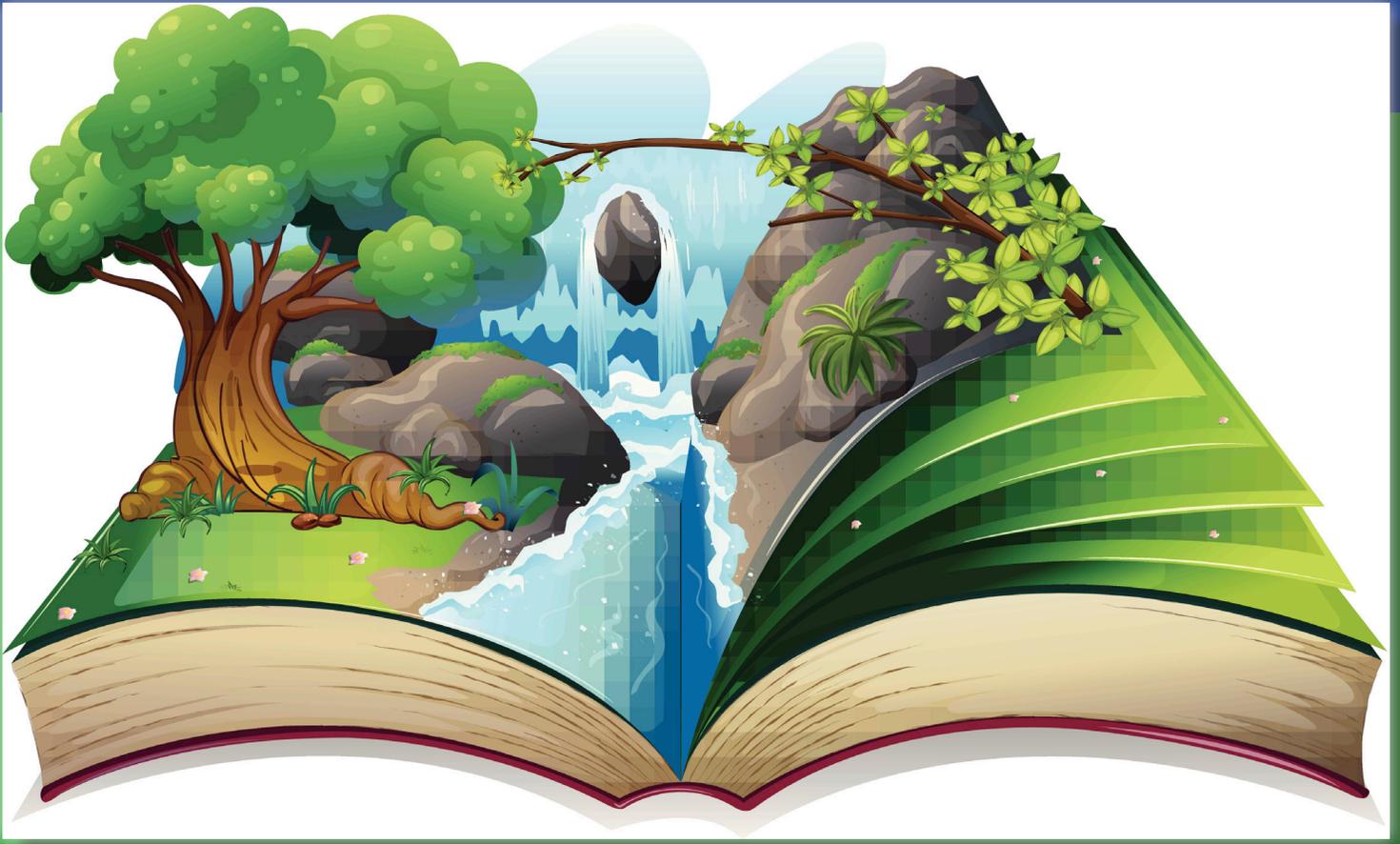


1000 Books Before KINDERGARTEN



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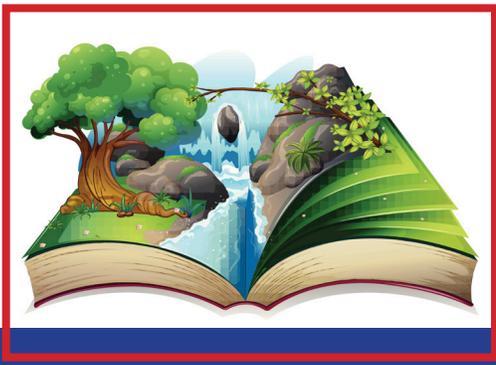
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My Reading Log:

Name

**I'm on my way to reading
1000 Books Before Kindergarten!**



1,000 Books Before KINDERGARTEN

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Program Overview

Congratulations! You are about to embark on a fantastic, life-long journey with your child. You have committed to enjoying books with your child and in the process, reaping the benefits as your child gains pre-literacy skills that will prepare him or her for reading throughout their life.

How This Program Works

1. Enroll your child by accessing the registration website at wpl-1000books.readingrecord.org or visiting the College Hill or Irving Street libraries. After enrolling in person, you will receive a Welcome Packet and the first log. Those registering online can download and print all program documents.
2. After you and your child have read your first 100 books, return the log to either library to receive a certificate and a sticker for the certificate. You will receive your next log and we will put your child's name on our special 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten wall. Continue to bring your completed logs to the library for additional stickers for the certificate.
3. Each child will be invited to the 'Midway Party' held once a year after their 500th book has been recorded. Your child will also receive special recognition on the wall at the 500 book level.
4. When you and your child have read and recorded your 1,000th book, bring the last log to library for a reward: a keepsake book. We will note that your child has completed the program on our special wall for this program.

One thousand is a big number; however, when you stop to break it down over five years, or even two years, The task isn't overwhelming. If you take five full years to complete the program you could read one book every other day. If you complete the program in two years, that would be about two books a day. This small time commitment is well worth the advantage you will be giving your child and the memories you will form enjoying books with them.

Suggestions

- Have fun! Reading together should never be a chore.
- Take every chance you have to read with your children, tell and talk about stories, say nursery rhymes, and sing songs.
- Expose your children to a variety of different types of stories and vocabulary. It is expected for children, especially young children, to have their favorite books they want to hear over and over again.
- When you have the opportunity, introduce new stories so your child has a chance to experience and hear as many new words and concepts as possible.
- Children learn best when they are in a good mood, so read with your child when the experience will be most pleasurable for both of you.

** Many of the facts and tips that you will read throughout this program are taken from the American Library Association (www.ala.org) and Every Child Ready to Read (<http://everychildreadytoread.org/>) sites, as well as Reading Magic by Mem Fox.