

# 40 Book Challenge

## ~Core Values~

- Everybody reads here. Let's get started.
  - Strong readers have lots of reading experiences. You need to be a good all-around reader.
- There's the right book for you out there somewhere. Let's find it.
- Whether you read or not isn't a choice, but what you read is YOUR choice.
  - Your reading life matters.

# 40 Book Challenge FAQ

**Q: Is this a competition?**

A: No. This is a personal challenge for you. You will keep track of your own progress and will meet with me on occasion to talk about your reading. You will write a weekly reflection about your reading experience.

**Q: Is the reflection I have to write actually a book report?**

A: No, it is not a book report. You will write a letter to me about your feelings about the book, what strategy you might have used, and any other thoughts you have about your own reading and how you are changing as a reader. When you finish a book you may even post a review on our blog if you want to! The review isn't required but can be fun!

**Q: Do the books for this challenge have to be AR?**

A: The books do not have to be AR but many of them probably will be. If it is an AR book, I would like you to take the AR test. The tests are short and will not take you very long. If you need help with the test, talk to me and we will figure something out.

**Q: Can I really read anything I want?**

A: The short answer is yes, as long as it is appropriate. I do want you to try to read different genres so that you can experience more as a reader. I encourage you to read books of all different lengths, too. I am even willing to accept audiobooks. As a reader, I love a good audiobook if the narrator is excellent. The point of this challenge is to help you grow as a reader and to experience more kinds of literature. Readermania books count for this challenge also, of course, once that starts!

**Q: What if I'm not a reader?**

A: Everybody reads here. We all read different kinds of books and that is OK. We will also help each other find great books. There is a book out there for you somewhere!

**Q: How will I keep track of the books I read?**

A: There is a paper in your binder for you to use to keep track of your books. If it gets full, let me know—I will be happy to get you more! Make sure you count read alouds. 😊







