

Bingo Board 2023

The
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London

When you finish reading a book, color in the matching category

Awards	Biography/ Memoir	Book turned movie/TV	Family book club
First of a series	Free choice	Global fiction	Graphic novel
Historical fiction	Mystery/ Adventure	Nonfiction	Novel in verse or poetry
Realistic fiction	Sci-fi/ Fantasy	Short stories	Free choice

Fill in the title and author of the books you have read

Awards Title: Author:	Global fiction Title: Author:	Realistic fiction Title: Author:
Biography/Memoir Title: Author:	Graphic novel Title: Author:	Sci-fi/Fantasy Title: Author:
Book turned movie/TV Title: Author:	Historical fiction Title: Author:	Short stories Title: Author:
Family book club Title: Author:	Mystery/Adventure Title: Author:	Free choice Title: Author:
First of a series Title: Author:	Nonfiction Title: Author:	
Free choice Title: Author:	Novel in verse or poetry Title: Author:	



Book Bingo, 2023! Parent/Guardian

Lifelong learning is central to the ASL mission, and fostering a love of independent reading plays an integral role in creating lifelong learners through developing curiosity, passion and creativity. Over the summer, your middle school student will take part in a book bingo activity, choosing books from the bingo categories that they want to read. This year, you have an opportunity to model lifelong learning and read along with them using your own bingo board!

How does book bingo work?

Fear not, book bingo is not a summer reading requirement for you (nor will your student be impacted by the number of books you read); however, the following instructions will be given to Middle School students, and we hope you will support a culture of reading in any way you can. Please remember that the ASL Mellon Library serves the whole community with books, e-books and audiobooks, and we invite you to check out titles for yourself for the summer.

Student Book Bingo directions

1. You should read **at least** two books over the summer. Can I read more, you ask? Of course! In fact, the more you read, the more chances you'll have to win some cool prizes*.
2. Peruse the suggested list on the website below for book ideas. Use the Mellon Library, Sora and your local libraries to gather books.
3. Spend the summer reading and enjoying your books and filling in your bingo card! You can choose to fill out the form online as you finish each book, or at the end of the summer.
4. Bring your bingo boards to your humanities/English class in the fall.
5. At the start of the school year, our community will share the amazing books we have read through a variety of hands-on activities.
6. If you are able, have someone take a photo of you reading wherever your summer takes you... the park, the beach, the mountains, the sea, the city. Send those photos to mellonlibrary@asl.org.

* For each BINGO (row, column or diagonal) you complete on the reading board, you will earn one raffle ticket.



If you complete the entire board, you get an extra three tickets! Fill out as many boards as you like. In other words, the more you read, the more raffle tickets you will earn. During our middle school field day, we will draw three tickets per grade for a chance to win fun prizes such as gift cards and ASL gear.

Frequently asked questions

- Q:** If I read a book that fits multiple categories, can I use it more than once?
A: You can only use a book for one square, even if it could fit in more than one spot.
- Q:** Can I use a book I've already read, even if I reread it?
A: The books should all be "new to you" books.
- Q:** Do I have to pick a book from the provided list?
A: Nope! You may choose books that are not on the list, but they should be grade-level/age appropriate.

Here are the definitions of categories that are on the bingo board

Awards: Any book that has been nominated for, or has won an award.

Biography/memoir: Books about people. A memoir is written by the person it is about. A biography is written by someone else.

Book turned movie/TV: A book that has since been turned into a movie or TV show.

Family book club: Read the same book (at the same time) as another member of your family.

First of a series: The first book in a series.

Free choice: Choose any book you like!

Global fiction: A book that takes place somewhere other than the US or the UK.

Graphic novel: A novel that uses art to enhance the story; pretty cool.

Historical fiction: A book that takes place in the past, covering historical events, with imagined characters.

Mystery/adventure: A book that keeps you on the edge of your seat.

Novel in verse or poetry: A book of short poems. Or a novel that is written like one super long poem.

Nonfiction: Real stuff that really happened.

Realistic fiction: Things that can totally happen in real life.

Sci-fi/fantasy: A book that is out of this world. Or in this world, but it is totally crazy.

Short stories: A book of short stories, not just one short story.