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Get rewarded for summer reading with KFPL's clubs and challenges for all ages

It's that time of the year again — summer is almost here, school is almost out, and summer reading fun is about to begin! Join one of the Kingston Frontenac Public Library's (KFPL) summer reading challenges for the whole family with unique reading programs for children, teens, and adults.

Summer reading for kids

KFPL invites all kids 12 and under to participate in the TD Summer Reading Club (TDSRC). This summer with the TDSRC, children are encouraged to venture into magical realms where fantastic creatures roam and anything can — and will — happen. Discover the power of stories and storytelling to entertain and illuminate important lessons.

Celebrate the official kickoff of the TDSRC Saturday, June 18 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Lions Civic Gardens outside the Isabel Turner Branch! There will be a special StoryWalk® of the picture book *Monkey and Me* and kids can register for the club at any Library branch.

If your family cannot make it to the kickoff, you can still sign up for the club in person at any KFPL branch starting Friday, June 3, until Saturday, Aug. 27. Visit <https://www.kfpl.ca/programs-and-events/td-summer-reading-club> for more information.

All kids participating in the club will receive a special bilingual notebook to track their progress, a web access code for the virtual club on the TDSRC website, stickers, and the chance to win prizes. Kids can participate in the TDSRC anytime, anywhere — at the library, at home, online, on the road — wherever their summer takes them. KFPL also provides materials in alternative formats, such as audio or Braille.

Why join the TD Summer Reading Club? For school-aged children, summer can mean regression in their reading skills. Active participation in the TDSRC helps reduce this “summer slide” by providing access to books and literacy-based programming while making reading fun.

In addition to the club, KFPL branches across the city will offer programming and performances throughout the summer. This year's lineup includes Puppet Show Extravaganza Tours, Stories in the Park, and of course, the very popular Live @ the Library series. Live performers—both in-person and virtual—include musicians, artists, and more! Including Live @ the Library shows, the Library will be offering over 150 free programs and events for children during June, July, and August across the city and in Sydenham and Sharbot Lake.



Summer reading for teens

Starting June 18, track your reading progress this summer and inspire others to try reading something new in KFPL's Teen Summer Reading Challenge. Complete challenges to earn ballots towards weekly prizes including gift cards, escape room kits, wireless headphones, and more. Ballots also count toward the grand prize — a Nintendo Switch Lite! Earn additional ballots towards the grand prize draw by completing a BINGO card.

This challenge is open to teens between the ages of 13 and 17 who live or go to school in Kingston or Frontenac County, or have a KFPL library card. Register online at <https://teensrc.kfpl.ca>.

Summer reading for adults

Wouldn't you rather be reading? Reward yourself for doing exactly that with KFPL's Rather Be Reading Adult Summer Reading Challenge. Tell fellow readers about your weekly reading progress and complete creative challenges to share your love of reading and win great prizes!

Challenges start June 18 and take the form of exciting book-related activities. There will be one challenge per week, and some will ask for a picture of you doing a book-related activity. Earn weekly gift card prizes and put yourself in the running for the grand prize of an amazing package full of local goodies valued at \$250. The SRC will be conducted entirely online and is open to KFPL cardholders 18+. Register at <https://adultsrc.kfpl.ca>.

Both adult and teen programs were developed with the assistance of the Teen Advisory Board and the New Adult Advisory Board.

For more information about performances and other events call your local branch or visit the Programs and Events section of the Library's website at www.kfpl.ca.