

21 DAY CHALLENGE

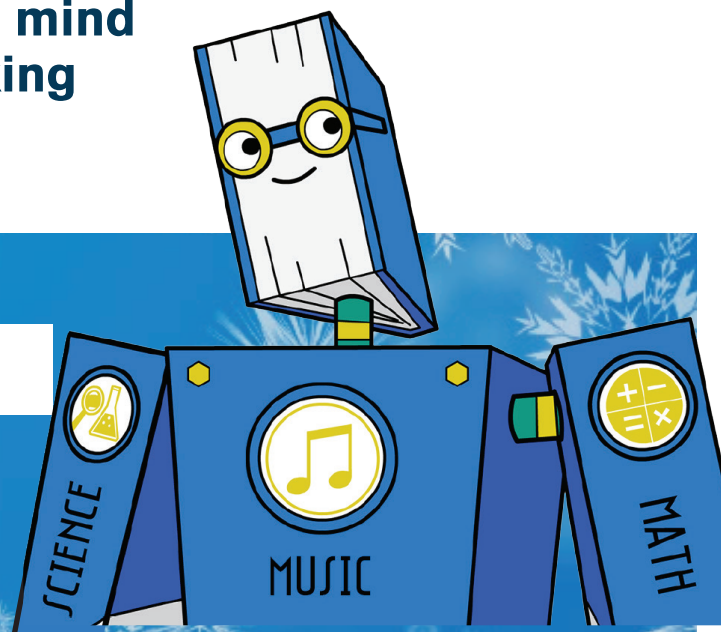
February 1st is the first day of Willard Library's 21-Day Read Aloud Challenge. This challenge, sponsored by www.readaloud.org, encourages parents to read aloud to their children 15 minutes a day for 21 days in February. Reading aloud to your child fosters a love for reading, grows your child's vocabulary, and improves comprehension.

Use the other side of this page to track your progress. Return your finished 21 Day Reading Challenge Tracker to either library location between Feb. 21 and March 1 for a prize.

It takes 21 days to create a habit, and 90 days to create a lifestyle that enriches the mind of your child. Congratulations on taking the first steps.

Name

Age



***Color in one box
for each day you
complete an activity.***



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Read with expression. Use voices and do sound effects. **1**

Find new words you don't use in daily conversation. **2**

Read a book about shapes and look for them around your house. **3**

Pick up a book about your state, talk about landmarks. **4**

Follow a recipe together. **5**

Visit your local library! **6**

Choose books about events in your child's life, such as going to the dentist. **7**

Stop and define difficult words for little ones. **8**

Explore the seasons. **9**

Read your child a news or magazine article. **10**

Talk about the pictures. **11**

Let your child pick books that excite him/her. **12**

Show your child the front cover. Explain what the story is about. **13**

Read in a group. **14**

Read a book in which you mimic actions. (e.g., Eric Carle's "From Head to Toe") **15**

Read a book about your child's favorite animal. **16**

Ask your child questions about the characters. **17**

Discuss what might happen next. **18**

Read a rhyming book. Ask your child about more rhyming words. **19**

Read a book about a different culture. **20**

Make a book! (Available at ReadAloud.org/downloads.html) **21**

Research shows that reading aloud is the single most important thing you can do to help a child prepare for reading and learning.

Learn more at ReadAloud.org

