

DPL's ANNUAL ADULT READING CHALLENGE

Thank you for your interest in the Annual Adult Reading Challenge at Decatur Public Library. The objective is to read books from Decatur Public Library that fit clues listed on a Reading Log and to do a minimum of 5 tasks that are released monthly on the DPL blog.

The theme differs every year and is released at the Kick-off sometime in January each year. While the Adult Reading Challenge has a theme, it is designed to be broad to accommodate varied interests. Unless specified in the clue/task, participants may read any genre and fill in clues/tasks at their own pace and selection. We encourage you to participate as much or as little as is suitable for your reading lifestyle. If 15 books is a major challenge for you, there is no pressure to try and complete all 70 of the prompts. All books used for the Challenge must be checked out from DPL and read from January through the November cut-off date for the year.

Books eligible for the challenge include physical books, books on CD, eBooks and eAudio books from hoopla and Libby. Books must be from the Adult or Young Adult section of the Library, unless the clue requires a book come from the juvenile collection. If you read eBooks or listen to eAudio books the designation is decided by the tags from Libby and hoopla. That means you need to make sure that titles checked out are designated adult or young adult by the platform. You are allowed one title on the Reading Log that is not a DPL book. Please make sure to write "personal copy" beside the title.

- There are 3 levels of participation to qualify for the prize drawings:
- Read 15 books total, 5 of them must be tasks released monthly on DPL Blog
 - Read 30 books total, 7 of them must be tasks released monthly on DPL Blog
 - Read 60 books total, 9 of them must be tasks released monthly on DPL Blog

**Winners of each level are determined by random prize drawing.
Participation does not guarantee a prize.**

Reading Logs must be turned into the Marketing and Outreach office by closing time on the cut-off day in November in order for you to qualify for prize drawings.

We do ask you to turn in the Reading Log by the end of the year, even if you don't make the deadline for the prize drawing. Library programs must all generate statistics to be judged a success and we need everyone who signs up to turn in logs, even if you did not qualify for a drawing. That means we show participation throughout the year and can count the books you read for the overall numbers.

The Date for the 2023 11th Annual Adult Reading Challenge has not been determined yet. We will post the date on this page as soon as it is scheduled.

Call us at 256-340-5780 or email us at StephRhonda@myDPL.org for more information or to sign up for the Challenge. We are generally in the office Monday through Friday 10:00am to 5:00pm.

The best way to make sure we are available is to call or email before coming by to make an appointment to meet with us to sign up for the Challenge.

Don't forget to check the [blog](#) the first week of each month, starting in February, for the released monthly task. Follow us on Twitter [@decaturopublib](#)

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