BERKELEY PUBLIC LIBRARY Summer Reading 2023 Find Your Voice June 2 - August 6



Frequently Asked Questions

What is Beanstack?

Beanstack is the Library's web-based summer reading software. It allows you to track your Summer Reading minutes and activities online. There is even an app!

Even if you're using a paper game card, log your activities online to be entered into the prize drawing.

How do I sign up on Beanstack?



Go to https://berkeleypubliclibrary.beanstack.org

- If you have registered on Beanstack in previous years, login with your email address and password. If you forgot your password, reset it online or call the Central Library (510) 981-6223 for help.
- If you are registering for the first time, click on the red "register an individual or family" button and fill in your information.

Note for families: Beanstack allows families to be linked together under one login and email. If you are an adult registering a child, be sure to enter your information under "Adult Information." To toggle between users, click the top right username button.

How do I log Summer Reading activities on Beanstack?

Go to https://berkeleypubliclibrary.beanstack.org

- Click on the red "log reading and activities" button in the upper left corner or on the blue plus sign on the app.
- Follow the prompts on the screen to log what you have accomplished to earn badges.

What is a badge and how do I earn one?

You earn badges for completing Summer Reading activities.

For children, 30 badges complete your Summer Reading Challenge and you receive 10 tickets to apply to the prize drawing. *Children* may earn badges each time they:

- Read a book or an ebook for 20 minutes
- Listen to a book or audiobook for 20 minutes
- Attend a library program
- Visit a museum (Get free passes with Discover and Go. Find out how on our website)
- Go on a nature walk

Kids may repeat the process up to 5 times and earn a maximum of 50 tickets towards the drawing.

For teens & adults, complete your Summer Reading Challenge by engaging in the following activities:

- Read a physical or digital book
- Read a graphic novel or manga
- Attend a library program
- Write a poem or short story
- Make a recipe from a cookbook
- Read a magazine or e-magazine
- Watch a free movie with Kanopy or Hoopla
- Listen to an audiobook on Libby or Hoopla
- Read your favorite book from childhood
- Sing your favorite song
- Listen to free music (digitally with Alexander Street, Hoopla, Naxos or check out vinyl and CDs!)

How do I enter the prize drawing?

To enter the prize drawing in August, be sure to apply the tickets you've earned from completing the Summer Reading Challenge to the prize drawing.

Click on the "Ticket Drawings" apply the tickets you've earned to the prizes of your choosing.

Additional Questions??

Email us at bplsummer@cityofberkeley.info or call (510) 981-6223.

