

Beyond Books Challenges

Try some of our activity challenges just for fun!



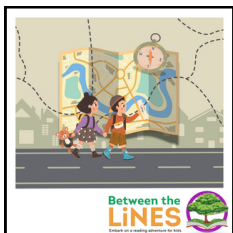
Wear an orange shirt on September 30

Wear an orange shirt this September 30 to honour residential school survivors, their families and communities and all the children who never came home.



Attend a reading program

This fall, attend a reading program! In honour of Library Card Sign-Up Month and Canadian Public Library Month, explore the fun opportunities the library provides on our [What's On webpage!](#)



Go on a Markham adventure

Set off and explore your hometown this fall, just in time for Adventure Day on October 19! Visit the Markham Fair from October 3 - 6, or a new hiking trail. Check out a library branch you've never been to before. Adventure awaits you!

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Complete all the **reading challenges** and we'll stamp your reading log below. This will make you eligible for a raffle ballot and a free bookmark!



Welcome to Between the Lines!

Bi-monthly, you will discover new themes and adventures as you complete reading challenges and beyond the book activities for grades K to 8. Track your reading for each challenge using the Beanstack App or our reading log brochure.





How to participate

Complete all 4 reading challenges within the two months and you'll have the chance to win a prize! Simply bring in your completed reading log and you'll receive a ballot to enter into a raffle draw. Raffle winners will be contacted a few weeks after the last month of the edition (e.g. Sept/Oct winners will be contacted in November). You will also receive a bookmark, which you can use to recommend a favourite book to other library customers.

Throughout the school year, we'll be running additional contests so be sure to check our website for upcoming events and activities! Post your Between the Lines reading and adventure challenges on social media with the hashtag #MPLBTL to help other library users join in the fun. Let the reading adventure start now!

Reading Challenges



Read a book with "read" or "book" in the title

Exciting things are happening across Ontario in September and October to celebrate libraries! Get Your Library Card Sign-Up Month is in September. In October we have Ontario Public Library Week from October 20-26 and Canadian Public Library Month. It's a great time to visit your local library branch and read a book with the word "read" or "book" in the title!



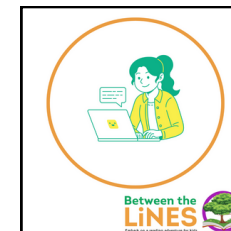
Read a book with a monster, ghost, skeleton, bat or spider in it

Ask yourself: *Do I get scared easily?* If the answer is no, this Halloween is the perfect time to read a book filled with fantastical monsters, or ghosts and ghostly sightings, or cartoonish skeletons up to no good! But if critters are what gets you, read a book about a blood-thirsty bat or a sneaky spider!



Read a myth or a legend

I see something long and scaly. It is bigger than a truck and has sharp teeth! Can you guess what I see? It's the Loch Ness monster! The Loch Ness monster is a famous mythical creature, just like Bigfoot. Myths and Legends Day is on October 11. October is a great month to read a myth or legend you like or one you've never heard of before.



Read a book by a female author

Are you a fan of *The Swifts*, or *Anne of Green Gables*? Did you know these beloved books were written by women? October is Women's History Month -- read a book written by a female author. A fan of picture books? Pick up *I Am Golden* and *The Proudest Blue*! A fan of comic books? Check out *Sweet Valley Twins*! A fan of chapter books? Start with *Rebel Undercover* or *The Secret Library*!