SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2025

English Department



Creative Bingo Board





Based on the books you read over summer, complete a line of three tasks horizontally, vertically or diagonally.

Bring them into school at the start of term.

Your English teacher will choose a class winner and award gold notes to the best entries.

Design a book cover for one of the books you read this summer.	Create a model of a place described in one of the books you read over summer.	Write a plan for what might happen in a sequel to one of the books you read this summer.
Write the final thoughts of one of the characters in a book you read this summer.	Write a poem inspired by one of the books you read this summer	Draw your favourite character from one of the books you read this summer.
Draw a map to show where the action of one of your books takes place.	Draw a poster advertising one of the books you read this summer.	Write a letter to the writer of one of your books explaining what you thought of it.

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One of your tasks could also form the basis of an entry into the library's voluntary 'Inspired By Books' challenge:



Email a link to **library@mtsn.org.uk** Or hand in to the library desk.

TO START YEAR 9...

Give a speech pitching your book





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STEP 1:

Choose books you would like to try over summer - the library's brilliant recommended reading lists can be a useful guide.

Find lots under **Quick Lists on AccessIt:** <u>https://uk.accessit.online/mrc04/#!resources/searchresult</u>

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- **Read, read, read** and enjoy! Summer, with the long lazy days, perhaps with a summer holidays or long journeys, is the perfect
- time to get lost in a book.







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STEP 3

Choose which book you read over the summer was your favourite.

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STEP 4

Plan a speech of at least two minutes <u>without any notes</u>, and tell us: what you liked about it, why we should read it, what else is it like, why would it be a good book to promote to next year's 4ths?

Bring the book into school – show it to us – you could even read a short section. No spoilers, though!

You are pitching your book for a new reading list. After we've heard them all, we'll **vote for which book appeals the most** and it will form part of a 'Summer Reading Challenge Recommendations List' for the library.

FAQs...

• Can it be any book?





Mostly yes – make sure it's something you want to read but also a little outside your comfort zone (maybe a new genre?). This is a chance to make a good impression with your new English teacher and challenge yourself. (not a graphic novel – they have their place but not here!)

• How many books do you have to read?

You only have to present on one, but **can mention the others** when you explain the book you chose. How many can you read in 8 weeks with no school? Set yourself a challenge!

• <u>Please can I have notes?</u>

I'm afraid not – the point isn't to prepare a polished speech or read out an essay, it's to talk engagingly and spontaneously about your reading. Think of it as a chat with a friend where you persuade your friend to give your book a go. Think of your audience...this is a great way to start practicing for the Public Speaking Competition held in January.