

# Summer Reading Programs

## Reading with the Rays:

Read your way to a FREE Rays game!

*The Rays have not updated their information for 2023. Please check their website for current information.*

<https://www.mlb.com/rays/community/reading>

The rules of the game are simple. Choose your favorite books from your local library or your favorite section of the Tampa Bay Times to read over the summer. As you read, track your hours by rounding the bases and collect Rays prizes along the way.

-Hit a reading home run by reading for 24 hours and you can receive two (2) tickets to a future Rays home game!

-Email your completed game card to [reading@raysbaseball.com](mailto:reading@raysbaseball.com) to receive your Reading with the Rays reward.

## Bucketeer Bookworms:

Read your way to FREE food!

- The Bucketeer Bookworm Reading Program is designed to encourage kids to read. Enrolling is child's play: just visit your neighborhood Bucket and ask for your Bucketeer Bookworm Bookmark Tracker.

- When they finish five books, they earn a complimentary kid's meal.

- Available all year.

<https://www.myrustybucket.com/rusty-buckets-bucketeer-bookworms>

Rusty Bucket Restaurant Sarasota - 257 N Cattlemen Rd #81, Sarasota, FL 34243

## Barnes & Noble Summer Reading Program:

Read your way to FREE books!

Fostering a love of reading and its rewards, the Barnes & Noble Summer Reading Program is popular with students in first through sixth grades and educators throughout America.

<https://www.barnesandnobleinc.com/our-stores-communities/summer-reading-program/>

Barnes & Noble Sarasota - 4010 S. Tamiami Tr, Sarasota, FL, 34231 and  
200 North Cattleman Rd., Sarasota, FL 34243 (UTC)

## Books-A-Million Summer Reading Adventure

Read your way to a FREE waterbottle!

[https://www.booksamillion.com/summeradventure?&oxid=463&oxname=summeradventure&oxpage=kids&oxpos=top&oxdate=051420&\\_ga=2.143501813.1962825473.1590534796-271159291.1590534796](https://www.booksamillion.com/summeradventure?&oxid=463&oxname=summeradventure&oxpage=kids&oxpos=top&oxdate=051420&_ga=2.143501813.1962825473.1590534796-271159291.1590534796)

-Read any four books from the summer reading adventure section in-store or online.

-Write about the books you've read in your summer reading adventure log book.

-Show your completed log book to a store associate to receive your free waterbottle!

BAM! Bradenton - 4225 14th Street West, Bradenton, FL, 34205

## Manatee County Libraries Summer Reading Program

Read your way to FREE prizes!

[https://www.mymanatee.org/departments/manatee\\_county\\_public\\_library\\_system/summer\\_reading\\_program](https://www.mymanatee.org/departments/manatee_county_public_library_system/summer_reading_program)

Our Summer Reading Program launches June 1 for Manatee County children and teens ages 0-17! The theme this year is **All Together Now!** We will "travel the world together" as part of this theme - all of our Manatee Library locations will represent a different region in the world.

Reading prizes, free events and a lot of fun! Sign up here for a special newsletter later this month that will share more details (and other Manatee Library updates): [Newsletter Sign Up](#).

### **Music Compound Rock Your Summer Reading Program**

**Read your way to FREE treats and prizes!**

<https://www.musiccompound.com/community/rock-your-summer-reading/>

The Rock your Summer Reading initiative kicks off June 1st. Area youth will have an opportunity to receive prizes for every 5 books they read. Music Compound has partnered with area businesses to provide special treats, one of kind experiences, and cool items as prizes. The goal is to inspire children to read and drive people back into area businesses. "It's a win-win for everyone". A grand prize drawing will be offered for individuals that read 50+ books from June 1st thru August 31st.

Music Compound - 1751 Cattlemen Rd, Sarasota, FL, 34232

### **Pizza Hut Camp BOOK IT Reading Program**

**Read your way to FREE pizza!**

<https://www.bookitprogram.com/programs/camp-book-it>

Parents, join us for Camp BOOK IT! and keep rewarding your kids all summer long. Track and reward your kids' reading for June, July and August in our digital dashboard. When they meet their monthly reading goal, they'll receive a free one-topping Personal Pan Pizza® from Pizza Hut! We'll also share fun activities and book recommendations each week to keep the fun going throughout the summer! Enroll today!

### **Sarasota County Libraries Summer Reading Program**

**Read your way to FREE prizes and activities!**

<https://scgov.beanstack.org/reader365>

Explore Tails and Tales™ and discover what animals and stories are all about with Beanstack this summer! Log the minutes you read to earn badges and rewards. Readers of all ages are encouraged to participate in our virtual program. Summer reading helps build literacy and language skills, prevents the dreaded summer slide for school-aged children, allows teens and adults to experience the joy of reading and so much more.

### **Suncoast Summer Reading Challenge - This Book Is Cool!**

**Read your way to FREE books!**

<https://www.gradelevelreadingsuncoast.net/project/this-book-is-cool/?fbclid=IwAR0Fc9VqfcnpjKEzn-HeKRTW-Ku7055AWCy8mjAsiCdt85Qfu0uMjxSNIU>

THIS BOOK IS COOL! is a series of 100 webisodes to encourage a love of reading. Registered children signed up for THIS BOOK IS COOL! will receive 20 books, activity sheets and word puzzles thanks to the generosity of The Patterson Foundation.

SCGLR will distribute books and activity packets and hand out rewards to children (incoming PreK–incoming 3rd grade) who are registered and fully participating in THIS BOOK IS COOL!


To maintain an active status in THIS BOOK IS COOL!, parents must have weekly contact with the Suncoast Campaign for Grade-Level Reading, indicating the number of books their child has read that week.

\*To qualify for THIS BOOK IS COOL!, you must be:

- A resident of Charlotte, DeSoto, Manatee, or Sarasota counties
- Entering PreK-3rd grade
- Enrolled at a Title I school or eligible for free/reduced lunches (any interested families should reach out about this program)

# Summer Reading Bingo

Find challenging books to get you ready to move to the next grade!!!

Read about a far away place.	Read a funny book and laugh out loud.	Read a book outside while getting some sun.	Read to an animal at home or at a shelter.	Read at a park while having a picnic.
Read inside a blanket fort.	Read an animal book and make a cool project.	Read a biography and tell someone all about it.	Read a book of poetry and create your own.	Record yourself reading a book.
Read a fairy tale and dress up like a character.	Read a book with recipes and make one.		Read a book with a family member.	Read a book in the pool or at the beach.
Read a nonfiction book.	Read a book about a real or made up hero.	Write your own story and illustrate it.	Read to or with a friend. Take turns.	Read a book about an invertebrate & share what you learned.
Read a book that rhymes and then make your own.	Read a book with a flashlight under the covers.	Read a book about sports. Then, try the sport.	Read a book about an adventure you'd like to go on.	Read your parent's favorite childhood book.

Sarasota Public Libraries holds their reading challenge from June 5<sup>th</sup>-August 5<sup>th</sup>.

<https://scgov.beanstack.org/>

Manatee Public Libraries holds their reading challenge from May 31<sup>st</sup>-July 30<sup>th</sup>.

Barnes and Noble also holds their reading challenge from July 1<sup>st</sup>-August 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Check out all the other summer reading programs in this packet!**

**Encourage your child to read.**

**This will help with transitioning to the next grade.**