

# 2026 READING CATEGORIES

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|---|------------------------------------|---|
| 1. 200 Pages or Fewer                                   | 16. City in the Title              | 33. Recent Research                     |
| 2. 2025 Montana Book Award Nominee*                     | 17. Contains Footnotes or Endnotes | 34. Religion                            |
| 3. 400 Pages or More                                    | 18. Cookbook                       | 35. Resistance                          |
| 4. About the Declaration of Independence                | 19. Expedition                     | 36. Revolutionary War*                  |
| 5. Any eBook, any audiobook, or re-read an old favorite | 20. Farming or Ranching            | 37. Romance                             |
| 6. Archaeology or Archaeologist                         | 21. Frenemies*                     | 38. Set on Campus                       |
| 7. Autumn   | 22. Generations*                   | 39. Shocking                            |
| 8. Black Cover  | 23. In the Public Domain*          | 40. Spring                              |
| 9. Book About Books*                                    | 24. Latinx Author*                 | 41. State in the Title                  |
| 10. Book Pairings—Book 1*                               | 25. Memoir or Autobiography        | 42. Stream of Consciousness*            |
| 11. Book Pairings—Book 2                                | 26. Montana History                | 43. Summer                              |
| 12. Buzz Book*  | 27. Music or Musician(s)           | 44. Transitions                         |
| 13. Camping   | 28. National Book Award Winner*    | 45. Two or More Authors                 |
| 14. Celebrity Book Club Pick*                           | 29. Pronoun in the Title           | 46. Urban Life                          |
| 15. Character's Name in the Title*                      | 30. Published This Year            | 47. Use NoveList Plus to Choose a Book* |
|   | 31. Puzzling*                      | 48. Verb in the Title                   |
|   | 32. Quick Read                     | 49. Voyage                              |
|   |                                    | 50. Winter                              |

**\*Visit the library's website for more info and suggested titles.**



**Read one book in each of 50 categories by December 28  
and win a fabulous prize!**

## GUIDELINES

- The Missoula Reads challenge begins on Friday, January 2 and ends on Monday, December 28, 2026.
- The challenge is open to cardholders of Missoula Public Library and its branches.
- One book per category, one category per book, for a total of 50 books read by December 28.
- Use the enclosed reading log to track your progress, or create your own log.
- Record all books read for the challenge on your reading log.
- To be rewarded for completing the challenge, submit your completed log to the library by December 28 for staff verification.
- Books read for other reading programs, book clubs or assignments can be counted toward the challenge, provided they fit into the categories.
- Books in print, audio, and electronic formats will count toward the challenge.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Library Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone or Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**200 Pages or Fewer**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

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Author: \_\_\_\_\_

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Author: \_\_\_\_\_

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Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Any eBook, Any Audiobook, or Re-read an Old Favorite**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Archaeology or Archaeologist(s)**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Autumn**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Black Cover**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Book About Books\***

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Book Pairings—Book 1\***

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Book Pairings—Book 2**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Buzz Book\***

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Camping**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Celebrity Book Club Pick\***

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Character's Name in the Title\***

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**City in the Title**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Contains Footnotes or Endnotes**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Cookbook**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Expedition**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Farming or Ranching**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Frenemies\***

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Generations\***

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**In the Public Domain\***

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Latinx Author\***

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Memoir or Autobiography**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Montana History**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Music or Musician(s)**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**National Book Award Winner\***

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Pronoun in the Title**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Published This Year**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Puzzling\***

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Quick Read**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Recent Research**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Religion**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Resistance**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Revolutionary War\***

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Romance**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Set on Campus**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Shocking**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Spring**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**State in the Title**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Stream of Consciousness\***

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Summer**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Transitions**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Two or More Authors**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Urban Life**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Use NovelList Plus to Choose a Book\***

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Verb in the Title**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Voyage**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

**Winter**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_