

Piscataquis Valley Adult Education Cooperative

Reading Challenge



Welcome to the PVAEC 2021 Reading Challenge! This year, we are challenging ourselves and **YOU** to read more! All year long, we'll foster our love for literature while promoting the benefits of reading.

Who can join? Anyone! You don't have to be a student or staff of PVAEC.

Do I have to read specific books? No, but we've put together a list of some of our favorite genres and topics to get you started. There are literally thousands of books that will fit into each category!

How do I sign up? No registration is necessary! As you finish reading books, contact a PVAEC staff member and let them know, or go to www.pvaec.org to log your book, and it will go on the PVAEC Reading Tree for all to see!

Where can I find books to read? COVID-19 has left most of us on a tight budget and many businesses and libraries are not always accessible to the public. However, most local libraries offer contactless curbside pick-up. There are also many websites that sell inexpensive used books such as thriftbooks.com and goodreads.com. In January, we will share all our tips and tricks on where and how to find good free and cheap books. We also expect the PVAEC Lending Library to be back up and running later in 2021 so stay tuned!

What else? Every quarter, we will draw a name from the reading tree for a special prize! Your name will be entered into the drawing each time you read a book. So, the more you read, the better your chances of winning! Throughout the year, PVAEC staff will share our suggested books and publications. We'll also post a lot on Facebook and Instagram, and ask you to participate by sharing what you are currently reading. Every month, we'll discuss different topics.

Examples: Audiobooks (where to find them, how to listen etc), Reading Buddies (what are they, and how to get one), Where to find free or cheap books, How to find books you'll like, and so much more!



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PVAEC Staff Suggested Reading Topics

- A book you wouldn't normally choose
- A book published the year you were born
- A book with a pandemic theme
- A book by a black author
- A book about travel
- · Books with a strong female lead
- A 21st Century Banned Book
- A library book
- A second-hand book
- A book set in a place you'd love to visit
- A book about a musician or written by a musician
- An LGBTQIA Book
- A book by a local author
- Audiobook read by someone with an accent
- A book set in the state you live in
- A book about humor or written by a comedian
- Has a dog as protagonist/on the cover/in the title
- Biography/Autobiography
- A book you read in school
- A YA Book
- A book involving Magic
- A book based on a true story
- A book recommended by a family/friend
- A book with a different political/religious ideology
- than yours
- A book by a Native American author
- A book published within the last year
- A book YOU recommend

- Finish a series you started but never finished
- A book about the town you live in
- A book you've had FOREVER but haven't read
- A self-help book
- A romance novel
- A graphic novel
- A book about gardening
- A bird book
- An audio book of a book you've already read
- A favorite book from your childhood
- Your children(s) favorite book
- A book with a Halloween theme
- A book with a December holiday theme (Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa...)
- A "Sliding Doors Phenomenon" book (seemingly inconsequential moments that nonetheless alter the trajectory of future events)
- A book that was made into a movie/TV show
- A book from a favorite author's backlist
- A book by an Hispanic author
- A book by a Native American Author
- A Pulitzer Prize winning book of fiction
- Re-read your favorite book
- A book that was also a play
- A book published in 2020
- A book inspired by mythology, legend or folklore



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