



Congratulations!

You are now part of FVRL's Reading Link Challenge! Get ready to join in the fun and participate in the sport of reading!

How does it work?

Your school has formed teams of six kids in grades four and five. A list of six books has been chosen by a team of librarians. The books are now at your school. You have until February to read as many of these books as you can. Get reading!

What happens next?

After the books are read comes the best part – the Challenges! Here's how they work:

- Each team has a maximum of six members – they can't have more.
- During Challenges, all members of the team sit together. One of the members will act as "scribe" (write down answers for the team) and one will act as "runner" (bring answers to the judge). Both the scribe and runner also help answer questions. Between rounds the scribe and runner may be changed.
- A library staff member runs the challenges.
- Thirty questions will be read in three rounds of ten questions each. The teams have thirty seconds to answer each question – this is longer than you think!



How many Challenges are there?

There are four levels of Challenge:

School Challenge

The first Challenge is held at your school. Each team will compete with the other teams at your school to answer thirty questions about the books. The team that wins will go on to the second level of Challenge.

Library Challenge

The second Challenge is held at the library. The winning team from each school in your district will compete at this Challenge to answer thirty different questions about the books. The team that wins this challenge will go on to the Community Challenge.

Community Challenge

At the Community Challenge, the winning teams from each of the participating libraries within the system meet to compete. There you will answer thirty more questions about the same books! You'll know a lot about these books by then! The top three winning teams are presented with medals, and will then proceed to the fourth level of the Challenge

Grand Challenge

At the Grand Challenge, the top winning teams from Coquitlam Public Library, Fraser Valley Regional Library, North Vancouver City Library, Port Moody Public Library and Surrey Public Library meet to compete for the regional championship. The winning school is presented with the beautiful and bright Reading Link Challenge Trophy.



2014-2015 Grand Challenge Winners, The Bouncy Bookworks from Albion Elementary

How can my team be successful?

- Read as many of the six books as you can. Rewards could be given to the teammates who read all six books.
- Pay attention to the details of the stories.
- Practice with your team. Make up sample questions. Take turns asking and answering these questions.
- Ask your teacher if you can put on a “Mock Challenge” at a school assembly to demonstrate to the rest of the school how it works—and get a chance to practice with your team.
- Keep in mind that there will be short answer, multiple choice, and true or false questions.



Be creative with choosing your team name, like *Book Surfers* or *Rockin' Readers!* Get artistic! Create posters of the books and make a colourful banner for your team. Create a team cheer!

What to expect:

- Lots of fun as you read and discuss the books with your teammates and friends.
- Lots of excitement as you compete at the challenges.

Parents Can Help Too!

- Read the books!
- Encourage your child.
- Help quiz your child about the details of the books.
- Be an enthusiastic audience supporter of your child's team.
- Help drive to Challenges.

The Books

- 1) *The Strange Case of Origami Yoda* by Tom Angleberger
- 2) *Athlete vs. Mathlete* by WC Mack
- 3) *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library* by Chris Grabenstein
- 4) *Flora & Ulysses* by Kate DiCamillo
- 5) *The Vanishing Coin* by Kate Eagan
- 6) *Zach and Zoe and the River Rescue (Lorimer Street Lights)* by Kristin Butcher

