

Earn a commemorative certificate in recognition of your outstanding achievement and get an Excellence in Reading T-shirt, too!

The Mensa Foundation recognizes and encourages education, gifted youth and lifelong learning through programs like the Mensa for Kids Web site and other activities.

To encourage the joy of reading, the Foundation has developed the Mensa for Kids Excellence in Reading Award Program!

Acknowledging the value of the National Endowment for

the Humanities' appreciation of classic literature for young people, the Mensa Foundation is providing a yearround challenge to kids of all ages based on the NEH's "Summertime Reading" list.

To participate in the Mensa for Kids Excellence in Reading Award Program, follow these steps:

- 1. Find the grade-level segment that best fits your reading level from the list of books provided. You'll receive recognition for each segment read! Remember to read to the level of your *ability*, regardless of your age or grade level.
- 2. Print the appropriate segment and track each book you read.
- 3. Once you've completed an entire segment list, you and a parent will need to sign the list as verification and return it *and* the order form to the Mensa Foundation at the address provided. Once we've received your signed list, we'll send you an award certificate and T-shirt! Please allow 4-6 weeks for delivery.

Important questions answered

- Can parents read aloud to their child? Does that count? Yes! The books may be read aloud. Kids can also listen to audio books or read the books online.
- Can teenagers receive rewards for the lower grade segments? Yes! We recommend that kids begin at the reading level best for them and then move forward or backward in the list.
- Are there additional prizes?

Everyone who completes a segment list will be awarded a certificate and a Mensa for Kids T-shirt for the first segment completed. Additional segments will be recognized with certificates. This is not a competition, though, and there are no monetary prizes.

What if it says "series"? Do participants have to read all of them? Yes. That's why this is a tremendous accomplishment, worthy of recognition.

One final note: Parents should exercise care when selecting an appropriate volume of the assigned reading; original versions of some older fables and tales may be inappropriate for small children.



List 1: Kindergarten through Grade 3

Please check off each box as the book, series, or compilation is completed.

- Alexander and the Terrible, No Good, Very Bad Day - Viorst, Judith
- □ All-of-a-Kind Family Taylor, Sydney
- □ Amelia Bedelia Parish, Peggy
- □ Anansi the Spider McDermott, Gerald
- □ Bedtime for Frances Hoban, Russell
- □ Blueberries for Sal McCloskey, Robert
- □ The Cabin Faced West Fritz, Jean
- □ The Carrot Seed Krauss, Ruth
- □ The Cat in the Hat Seuss, Dr.
- □ Charlotte's Web White, E.B.
- Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs Barrett, Judy
- **Corduroy** Freeman, Don
- □ The Cricket in Times Square Selden, Georae
- **Curious George** Rey, H.A.
- □ The Dot Reynolds, Peter
- **Freckle Juice** Blume, Judy
- Grederick Lionni, Leo
- □ Frog and Toad Are Friends Lobel, Arnold
- The Garden of Abdul Gasazi Van Allsburg, Chris
- George and Martha Marshall, James
- Goodnight, Moon Brown, Margaret Wise
- □ Harry the Dirty Dog Zion, Gene
- **How the Leopard Got His Claws** Achebe, Chinua
- □ The Hundred Dresses Estes, Eleanor
- □ I Want My Hat Back Klassen, Jon
- □ If I Never Forever Endeavor Meade, Holly
- **Leo the Late Bloomer** Kraus, Robert
- □ The Little Engine That Could Piper, Watty
- Little House on the Prairie Wilder, Laura Ingalls
- Little Toot Gramatky, Hardie
- □ The Littles Peterson, John
- □ Madeline Bemelmans, Ludwig
- □ Make Way for Ducklings McCloskey, Robert

marked as read on the list above.

- Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel Burton, Virginia Lee
- □ Millions of Cats Gag, Wanda
- **The Mouse and the Motorcycle** Cleary, Beverly
- □ *Mr. Popper's Penguins* Atwater, Richard and Florence
- □ Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of Nimh O'Brien, Robert
- □ Paul Revere's Ride Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth
- **The Polar Express** Chris Van Allsburg
- **D** Peppe the Lamplighter Bartone, Elisa
- Dippi Longstocking Lindgren, Astrid
- **Put Me in the Zoo** Lopshire, Robert
- **Rabbit Hill** Lawson, Robert
- **Ramona Quimby, Age 8** Cleary, Beverly
- □ The Quiltmaker's Gift Brumbeau, Jeff
- **The Reluctant Dragon** Grahame, Kenneth
- **Sam the Minuteman** Benchley, Nathaniel
- Sarah, Plain and Tall MacLachlan, Patricia
- Shiloh Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds
- **The Snowy Day** Keats, Ezra Jack
- The Stinky Cheese Man & Other Fairly Stupid Tales - Scieszka, Jon
- **Stone Soup** Brown, Marcia
- □ Tale of Despereaux DiCamillo, Kate
- **The Story of Babar** Brunhoff, Jean de
- **The Story of Ferdinand** Leaf, Munro
- □ Strega Nona dePaola, Tomie
- □ Stellaluna Cannon, Janell
- Sylvester and the Magic Pebble Steig, William
- **The Tale of Peter Rabbit** Potter. Beatrix
- **The Three Little Pigs** Galdone, Paul
- □ Tikki Tikki Tembo Mosel, Arlene
- □ Where the Wild Things Are Sendak, Maurice

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□ Winnie-the-Pooh – Milne, A.A.

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List 2: Grades 4–6

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- □ Alice in Wonderland Carroll. Lewis
- □ Anne of Green Gables Montgomery, L.M.
- Den and Me Lawson, Robert
- **Betsy-Tacy** Lovelace, Maud Hart
- Black Beauty Sewell, Anna
- □ The Black Stallion Farley, Walter
- **The Borrowers** Norton, Mary
- D Bridge to Terabithia Paterson, Katherine
- **Caddie Woodlawn** Brink, Carol Ryrie
- Cheaper by the Dozen Gilbreth, Frank
- □ The Children of Green Knowe Boston, L.M.
- Chronicles of Prydain Alexander, Lloyd (entire series as listed below)
 - □ The Book of Three
 - The Black Cauldron
 - The Castle of Llvr
 - **Taran Wanderer**
 - **The High King**

The Complete Chronicles of Narnia - Lewis,

- C.S. (entire series as listed below)
- The Magician's Nephew
- □ The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe
- □ The Horse and his Bov
- Prince Caspian: The Return to Narnia
- **The Voyage of the Dawn Treader**
- The Silver Chair
- □ The Last Battle
- **The Complete Fairy Tales** (all eleven tales) - Perrault, Charles
- The Dark is Rising Sequence -
 - Cooper, Susan (entire series as listed below)
 - Over Sea, Under Stone
 - The Dark Is Rising
 - Greenwitch
 - The Grey King
 - □ Silver on the Tree.
- D'Aulaire's Book of Greek Myths d'Aulaire, Ingri and Edgar
- D'Aulaire's Book of Norse Myths d'Aulaire, Ingri and Edgar

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- □ A Dog on Barkham Street Stolz, Mary
- **The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate** Kelly, Jacqueline
- Given the Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler - Konigsburg, E.L.
- Gentle Ben Morey, Walt
- **Hatchet** Paulsen, Gary
- Hans Brinker. or The Silver Skates Dodge, Mary Mapes
- □ Harriet the Spy Fitzhugh, Louise
- Heidi Spyri, Johanna
- □ Homer Price McCloskey, Robert
- □ The House of Dies Drear Hamilton, Virginia
- **The Jungle Book** Kipling, Rudyard
- Lad: A Dog Terhune, Albert Payson
- Lassie Come Home Knight, Eric
- □ Mary Poppins Travers, Pamela I.
- Dahl, Roald
- □ The Matchlock Gun Edmonds, Walter D.
- □ Misty of Chincoteague Henry, Marguerite
- **The Moffats** Estes, Eleanor
- □ My Side of the Mountain George, Jeanne Craighead
- **The Pushcart War** Merrill, Jean
- **The Railway Children** Nesbit, E.
- **Redwall** Jacques, Brian
- □ *The Rescuers* Sharp, Margery
- **Roller Skates** Sawyer, Ruth
- □ The Secret Garden Burnett, France Hodason
- Strawberry Girl Lenski, Lois
- **The Summer of the Swans** Byers, Betsy
- Swiss Family Robinson Wyss, Johann
- **The Twenty-One Balloons** du Bois, William Pene
- □ The Wonderful Wizard of Oz Baum, L. Frank
- **Thimble Summer** Enright, Elizabeth

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Tuck Everlasting – Babbitt, Natalie

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List 3: Grades 7–8

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- □ Across Five Aprils Hunt, Irene
- □ Adventures of Sherlock Holmes Doyle, Arthur Conan
- □ The Adventures of Tom Sawyer Twain, Mark
- □ The Bridge of San Luis Rey Wilder, Thornton
- □ Call it Courage Sperry, Armstrong
- **The Call of the Wild** London, Jack
- A Christmas Carol Dickens, Charles
- □ The Count of Monte Cristo Dumas, Alexander
- A Day No Pigs Would Die Peck, Robert Newton
- Diary of a Young Girl Frank, Anne
- Dragonwings Yep, Laurence
- □ Enchantress from the Stars Engdahl, Sylvia Louise
- **The Endless Steppe** Hautzig, Esther
- **Fahrenheit 451** Bradbury, Ray
- D Frankenstein Shelley, Mary
- □ The Ghost Belonged to Me Peck, Richard
- □ The Giver Lowry, Lois
- Goodbye, Mr. Chips Hilton, James
- **The Hobbit** Tolkien, J.R.R.
- □ The Hunchback of Notre Dame Hugo, Victor
- □ Incident at Hawk's Hill Eckert, Allan W.
- □ Island of the Blue Dolphins O'Dell, Scott
- □ Ivanhoe Scott, Sir Walter
- Jacob Have I Loved Paterson, Katherine
- □ Johnny Tremain Forbes, Esther
- **Journey to Topaz** Uchida, Yoshiko □ Julie of the Wolves – George, Jeanne Craighead
- Kim Kipling, Rudyard
- **The Last Mission** Mazer, Harry
- □ The Last of the Mohicans Cooper, James Fenimore

- Le Morte d'Arthur Malory, Sir Thomas
- The Legend of Sleepy Hollow Irving, Washington
- □ The Little Prince Saint-Exupery, Antoine de
- Little Women Alcott, Louisa May
- □ The Merry Adventures of Robin Hood Pyle, Howard
- □ *My Friend Flicka* O'Hara, Mary
- □ Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass Douglass, Frederick
- □ National Velvet Bagnold, Enid
- □ The Outsiders Hinton, S.E.
- D The Pigman Zindel, Paul
- **The Pilgrim's Progress** Bunyan, John
- □ The Red Pony Steinbeck, John
- □ Rifles for Watie Keith, Harold
- **Rip van Winkle** Irving, Washington
- **Robinson Crusoe** Defoe, Daniel
- □ Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry Tylor, Mildred D.
- □ Shane Schaefer, Jack
- **Story of My Life** Keller, Helen
- A Stranger Came Ashore Hunter, Mollie
- □ Tales from Shakespeare Lamb, Charles & Mary
- □ The Thurber Carnival Thurber, James
- □ The Witch of Blackbird Pond Speare, Elizabeth George
- **Treasure Island** Stevenson, Robert Louis
- **A Tree Grows in Brooklyn** Smith, Betty
- 20,000 Leagues under the Sea Verne, Jules
- □ The Upstairs Room Reiss, Johanna
- □ War of the Worlds Wells, H.G.
- □ Where the Red Fern Grows Rawls, Wilson
- **The White Mountains** Christopher, John
- A Wizard of Earthsea LeGuin, Ursula K.
- A Wrinkle in Time L'Engle, Madeleine
- **The Yearling** Rawlings, Marjorie Kinnan

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List 4: Grades 9–12

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- D Abraham Lincoln Sandburg, Carl
- Adventures of Huckleberry Finn Twain, Mark
- **The Aeneid** Virgil
- Against all Hope Valladares, Armando
- □ The Age of Innocence Wharton, Edith
- All Quiet on the Western Front –
- Remarque, Erich
- All the King's Men Warren, Robert Penn
- □ An American Tragedy Dreiser, Theodore
- □ Animal Farm Orwell, George
- Anna Karenina Tolstoy, Leo
- □ The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin Franklin, Benjamin
- D Babbitt Lewis, Sinclair
- **Barchester Towers** Trollope, Anthony
- **Beowulf** Anonymous
- Deriver New World Huxley, Aldous
- D The Caine Mutiny Wouk, Herman
- Candide Voltaire
- □ The Canterbury Tales Chaucer, Geoffrey
- **The Catcher in the Rye** Salinger, J.D.
- □ The Cherry Orchard Chekhov, Anton
- □ The Chosen Potok, Chaim
- □ Collected Short Stories Welty, Eudora
- □ The Concise Columbia Book of Poetry
- Crime and Punishment Dostoevsky, Fyodor
- The Crucible Miller, Arthur
- D The Cruel Sea Monsarrat, Nicholas
- □ Cyrano de Bergerac Rostand, Edmond
- Darkness at Noon Koestler, Arthur
- A Death in the Family Agee, James
- **The Divine Comedy** Dante
- Doctor Zhivago Pasternak, Boris
- A Doll's House Ibsen, Henrik
- Don Quixote Cervantes, Miguel de
- □ Fathers and Sons Turgenev, Ivan
- Dr. Faustus Marlowe, Christopher
- **For Whom the Bell Tolls** Hemingway, Ernest
- D The Forsyte Saga Galsworthy, John
- □ The Fountainhead Rand, Ayn
- Go Tell It on the Mountain Baldwin, James
- **The Good Earth** Buck, Pearl
- Great Expectations Dickens, Charles
- □ The Great Gatsby Fitzgerald, F. Scott

- Gulliver's Travels Swift, Jonathan
- Hamlet Shakespeare, William
- A Handful of Dust Waugh, Evelyn
- The Heart is a Lonely Hunter McCullers, Carson
- □ How Green Was My Valley Llewellyn, Richard
- □ I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings Angelou, Maya
- □ I, Claudius Graves, Robert
- □ Inherit the Wind Lawrence, Jerome and Robert E. Lee
- D Invisible Man Ellison, Ralph
- The Iliad Homer
- Jane Eyre Brontë, Charlotte
- The Jungle Sinclair, Upton
- □ King Lear Shakespeare, William
- Les Misérables Hugo, Victor
- Long Day's Journey into Night O'Neill, Eugene
- Look Homeward, Angel Wolfe, Thomas
- Lord Jim Conrad, Joseph
- □ Lord of the Flies Golding, William
- **The Lord of the Rings Trilogy** Tolkien, J.R.R.
- □ Madame Bovary Flaubert, Gustave
- □ The Magic Mountain Mann, Thomas
- A Man for All Seasons Bolt, Robert
- D Moby-Dick Melville, Herman
- Moll Flanders Defoe, Daniel
- The Moonstone Collins, Wilkie
- Much Ado About Nothing Shakespeare, William
- D Murder in the Cathedral Eliot, T.S.
- □ My Ántonia Cather, Willa
- □ Native Son Wright, Richard
- D Night Wiesel, Elie
- □ The Nine Tailors Sayers, Dorothy
- **1984** Orwell, George
- □ The Odyssey Homer
- Oedipus Rex Sophocles
- Of Human Bondage Maugham, Somerset
- □ Of Mice and Men Steinbeck, John
- **The Once and Future King** White, T.H.
- One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich Solzhenitsyn, Alexander
- Our Town Wilder, Thornton



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- □ A Passage to India Forster, E.M. □ The Picture of Dorian Gray – Wilde, Oscar Department Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man – Jovce, James **The Power and the Glory** – Greene, Graham Pride and Prejudice – Austen, Jane Deriver Profiles in Courage – Kennedy, John F. Department Pygmalion – Shaw, George Bernard **Rabbit, Run** – Updike, John **The Red Badge of Courage** – Crane, Stephen □ The Scarlet Letter – Hawthorne, Nathaniel □ The School for Scandal – Sheridan, Richard B. □ Short Stories – Poe, Edgar Allan □ Silas Marner – Eliot, George □ A Single Pebble – Hersey, John □ Sonnets – Shakespeare, William □ Sons and Lovers – Lawrence, D.H. □ The Sound and the Fury – Faulkner, William Steppenwolf – Hesse, Hermann
- □ The Best Short Stories of O. Henry
- (Modern Library Edition) Henry, O.
- □ The Stranger Camus, Albert
- □ A Streetcar Named Desire Williams, Tennessee
- **Tess of the D'Urbervilles** Hardy, Thomas
- A Town Like Alice Shute, Nevil
- □ Their Eyes Were Watching God Hurston, Zora Neale
- □ Things Fall Apart Achebe, Chinua
- **To Kill a Mockingbird** Lee, Harper
- **To the Lighthouse** Woolf, Virginia
- **Tom Jones** Fielding, Henry
- D The Trial Kafka, Franz
- □ The Turn of the Screw James, Henry
- □ Uncle Tom's Cabin Stowe, Harriet Beecher
- □ Vanity Fair Thackeray, William M.
- Uillette Brontë, Charlotte
- U Walden Thoreau, Henry David
- U Wuthering Heights Brontë, Emily

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□ I would like to subscribe to the *BRIGHT* enewsletter for smart kids. Mensa For Kids' *Bright* is the smartest monthly eNewsletter for kids ages 6-10 and includes fun games, puzzles, activities and factoids specially selected to encourage children to learn, explore and think outside the box.

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