



Terms and Conditions

1. Information on prizes and how to enter form part of these Terms and Conditions.
2. Participation in this competition is deemed acceptance of these Terms and Conditions.
3. By registering for the Big Summer Read, participants acknowledge that personal details including email addresses and/or phone numbers will be required. Full privacy and data use details is included within these Terms and Conditions.

The Promoter's Details

The promoter is Public Libraries Victoria (PLV), PO Box 24131, 15 Southern Cross Lane, Melbourne VIC 3000, admin@plv.org.au

Who can enter?

1. Participants from New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania and Victoria are eligible to enter the Big Summer Read.
2. Entry is open to children aged 0-18 years of age, including individuals who may celebrate their 19th birthday during the campaign. Entry is also open to individuals with an intellectual disability aged 18 years and over.
3. ReadBooks registration and entries can be completed by:
 - a. Parents/guardians of children 0-18 years old **OR**
 - b. Individual readers aged 13 years and over.
4. Where the participant is 13 years and over, permission must be granted by a relevant parent or guardian
5. Participants can enter online on the ReadBooks website or by submitting a paper based log to a participating library.



When to enter?

1. The competition period begins on **1 December 2025**.
2. The competition closes on **31 January 2026** at 11:59pm.
3. Paper entries must not be distributed after the competition closes.
4. Paper entries must be submitted by **9 February 2026**.
5. No late entries will be accepted.

How to enter (online):

1. Register on the ReadBooks platform (<https://readbooks.com.au/register>)
2. Submit the number of books or track the number of days read to be eligible for the prize draw.
3. A minimum of 5 books or 5 days must be submitted to be eligible for the prize draw.
4. Participants will receive one additional entry into the prize draw for every five entries submitted, based on either the number of books read or the number of days spent reading.
5. Complete all required fields in the submission(s).
6. Submit all entries within the competition period. No late entries will be accepted.

How to enter (paper logs):

1. A completed paper entry can be included in prize draws. Paper entries include:
 - a. Days read calendar log
 - b. Books read log
 2. A minimum of 5 books or 5 days read must be submitted to be eligible for the prize draw.
 3. Participants will receive one additional entry into the prize draw for every five entries submitted, based on either the number of books read or the number of days spent reading.
 4. Complete all required fields in the submission(s) and return the completed log(s) to your local library. Paper entries must not be distributed after the competition closes on 31 January 2026. Paper entries must be submitted by 9 February 2026. No late entries will be accepted.
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Prizes

1. You must be a member of a library in your state to be eligible for the prize draws.
2. National prizes:
 - a. At the conclusion of the campaign the Promoter shall conduct a random prize draw from pool of eligible participants in New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania and Victoria.
 - b. One winner from each age category of registered users who has completed the requirements of the Big Summer Read will be selected.
 - c. Sponsors of the Big Summer Read are supporting the national prizes.
 - d. Prizes include:
 - i. 0-4 years age category – Picture Book Bundle Pack
 - ii. 5-8 years age category – Books and Activity Pack
 - iii. 9-12 years age category – Bluetooth Headphones
 - iv. 13-18 years age category – Kobo eReader
3. Statewide Prizes
 - a. This year Tasmania and Victoria have elected to offer additional prizes for participants from their states. The details for those prizes are below.
 - b. Tasmania
 - i. Like the national prize, a random prize draw will take place at the end of the Big Summer Read.
 - ii. Winners will be selected from eligible Tasmanian entries submitted to the Promoter, provided they've completed the challenge requirements.
 - iii. Tasmania has opted to mirror the national prize draw meaning each Tasmanian entry is eligible for an additional identical prize. There will be one prize as listed below for each of the following age categories – 4 prizes total:
 1. 0-4 years age category – Picture Book Bundle Pack
 2. 5-8 years age category – Books and Activity Pack
 3. 9-12 years age category – Bluetooth Headphones
 4. 13-18 years age category – Kobo eReader
 - c. Victoria
 - i. Like the national prize, a random prize draw will take place at the end of the Big Summer Read.
 - ii. Winners will be selected from eligible Victorian entries submitted to the Promoter, provided they've completed the challenge requirements.
 - iii. For each of the following age categories, there will be one 12-month Zoos Victoria Family Membership (2 adults and all children in 1 household) and one book pack – 8 prizes total:
 1. 0-4 years age category
 2. 5-8 years age category
 3. 9-12 years age category
 4. 13-18 years age category
 - iv. Terms and conditions for the Zoos Victoria membership are:
<https://www.zoo.org.au/terms-and-conditions/#memberterms>



4. Local Prizes

- a. Local prizes may be offered at the discretion of your local library.
- b. Please contact your local library for details on local prizes.

5. Acceptance of Prizes:

- a. The winners will be contacted by their local library service. Prizes will be redeemed at a library branch specified at the time of the notification. Any ancillary costs associated with redeeming prizes are not included.
 - b. The prize must be taken as stated and no compensation will be payable if the winners are unable to use the prizes. If the winners are unable to satisfy these terms and conditions, a prize is not utilised, or is not taken within the specified time frame, the prize will be forfeited by the winner and a substitute prize, or cash will not be awarded in lieu.
 - c. Prizes cannot be exchanged for cash, transferred, or otherwise exchanged. Once collected, the prize becomes the property and responsibility of the respective winner.
 - d. By participating in the Big Summer Read, the winners (or their parent/guardian) agree that they may be contacted to participate in editorial activities relating to promotion, including but not limited to being interviewed and photographed. The winners grant that any information collected for the promotion may be used perpetually and grant a non-exclusive licence for the use of such footage and photographs in all media worldwide. The winner will not be entitled to any fee for such use.
6. Paper based entries may be considered for inclusion in prize draws at the discretion of the local library service where the entry is submitted. It is the responsibility of each participating library service to ensure that all relevant entry information is submitted to the Promoter no later than 20 February 2026.

No liability

- 1. The Promoter reserves the right, at any time, to verify the validity of entries and entrants (including an entrant's identity, age and place of residence) and to disqualify any entrant who submits an entry that is not in accordance with these Terms and Conditions or who tampers with the entry process.
 - 2. If this promotion is interfered with in any way (or is not capable of being conducted as anticipated due to any reasons beyond the reasonable control of the Promoter), including by not limited to technical difficulties, unauthorised intervention or fraud, the Promoter reserves the right in its sole discretion, to the fullest extent permitted by law to disqualify any entrant; or to modify, suspend, terminate or cancel the promotion as appropriate.
 - 3. Any costs associated with accessing the promotional website(s) is the entrant's responsibility and is dependent on the internet service provider used.
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4. Nothing in these Terms and Conditions, limits, excludes, or modified or purports to limit, exclude or modify the statutory consumer guarantees as provided under the Competition and Consumer Act, as well as other implied warranties under the ASIC Act or similar consumer protection laws in the State and Territories of Australia (“Non-Excludable Guarantees”).

Social Media

This competition is not sponsored, endorsed, administered or associated with any social media platform (e.g. Instagram, Facebook, TikTok, etc.). Sharing on social media is encouraged but not required.

Privacy and Data Use

The Big Summer Read uses ReadBooks.com.au, which is a platform developed by PLV in collaboration with the State Library of Queensland. We are committed to keeping personal information secure. We will:

1. Only collect the minimum amount of data required to perform a task.
2. Minimise the access of personal information only to those who require it within our organisation(s).
3. Not disclose or share the stored information for any purpose other than:
 - a. Where required to perform a task for which the information was originally submitted.
 - b. Or where required by law.
4. Not sell personal information for any reason or use it to generate a profit.
5. Remove any or all personal information upon request of the person whose data has been captured.
6. Not retain any data that is no longer being used for the original purpose it was submitted.
7. Submissions made on the ReadBooks platform will be subject to moderation before publication. Some modifications may be made where appropriate to those submissions including inappropriate content or distinguishing features.
8. Some submissions (such as Book Reviews) will be publicly visible on the ReadBooks platform.
9. Submissions to the ReadBooks platform may be used by participating libraries for their own communications and promotional purposes. Personal information will only be included with your explicit consent.

Please note that individual library services or local councils will not be held responsible for any unauthorised access or use of the personal information held on the ReadBooks platform.

