

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 resources like the Mensa for Kids website and other programs for youth and those who support them.

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

Acknowledging the value of the National Endowment for the Humanities' appreciation of classic literature for young people, the Mensa Foundation is providing a year-round challenge to kids of all ages based on the NEH's "Summertime Favorites" reading list, with some alterations.

To participate in the Mensa for Kids Excellence in Reading 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 by checking it off and recording the date it was read. Electronic signatures and check-offs are **not permitted**. The form must be completed by hand. We operate on the honor system, and we encourage honesty in this way.
- 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 6 weeks for delivery.

Important questions answered

- Can parents read aloud to their child? Does that count?
 Yes. The books may be read aloud. Readers can also listen to audio books or read the books online. Teachers may also read to their classes, and then parents must complete the order form.
- 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 recognition opportunities? 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.

Final Notes: 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. We reserve the right to request additional confirmation of completion of the program and/or to refuse to grant recognition.



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	Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very	Ţ		Leo the Late Bloomer – Kraus, Robert	
П	Bad Day – Viorst, Judith			The Little Engine That Could	1
ш	All-of-a-Kind Family – Taylor, Sydney	Г		– Piper, WattyLittle House on the Prairie –	
	Amelia Bedelia – Parish,		_	Wilder, Laura Ingalls	
	Peggy	[Little Toot – Gramatky, Hardi	e
	Anansi the Spider –			The Littles – Peterson, John	
_	McDermott, Gerald	_		Madeline – Bemelmans,	
	Bedtime for Frances - Hoban,		_	Ludwig	
	Russell	Ţ		Make Way for Ducklings –	
				McCloskey, Robert	
	Blueberries for Sal –	Į		Mike Mulligan and His Steam	n
	McCloskey, Robert			Shovel – Burton, Virginia	
_				Lee	
Ц	The Cabin Faced West – Fritz,	_		Millions of Cats – Gag, Wand	da
	Jean			The Mouse and the	
	The Carrot Seed – Krauss, Ruth			<i>Motorcycle</i> – Cleary,	
	The Cat in the Hat – Seuss,			Beverly Mr. Bonner's Ponguins	
_	Dr.	•	_	Mr. Popper's Penguins – Atwater, Richard and	
	Charlotte's Web – White, E.B.			Florence	
	Cloudy with a Chance of			Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of	
	Meatballs – Barrett, Judy		_	<i>Nimh</i> – O'Brien, Robert	
	Corduroy - Freeman, Don			Paul Revere's Ride –	
	The Cricket in Times Square			Longfellow, Henry	
	 Selden, George 			Wadsworth	
	Curious George – Rey, H.A.			The Polar Express - Chris	
	The Dot – Reynolds, Peter		_	Van Allsburg	
	Freckle Juice - Blume, Judy			Peppe the Lamplighter –	
	Frederick - Lionni, Leo		_	Bartone, Elisa	
	Frog and Toad Are Friends –	·		Pippi Longstocking -	
П	Lobel, Arnold The Garden of Abdul Gasazi	г		Lindgren, Astrid Put Me in the Zoo – Lopshire	
ш	- Van Allsburg, Chris	•	_	Robert Robert	,
	George and Martha –			Rabbit Hill – Lawson, Robert	
	Marshall, James	_		Ramona Quimby, Age 8 –	
	Goodnight, Moon – Brown,			Cleary, Beverly	
	Margaret Wise	Ţ		The Quiltmaker's Gift –	
	Harry the Dirty Dog - Zion,			Brumbeau, Jeff	
	Gene			The Reluctant Dragon –	
	How the Leopard Got His			Grahame, Kenneth	
	Claws – Achebe, Chinua			Sam the Minuteman –	
	The Hundred Dresses –		_	Benchley, Nathaniel	
_	Estes, Eleanor			Sarah, Plain and Tall –	
Ц	I Want My Hat Back –	r		MacLachlan, Patricia	
	Klassen, Jon If I Never Forever Endeavor –			Shiloh – Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds	
_	Meade, Holly			Neyriolus	



	The Snowy Day – Keats, Ezra Jack		Stellaluna - Cannon, Janell	
			Sylvester and the Magic	
	The Stinky Cheese Man &		Pebble - Steig, William	
	Other Fairly Stupid Tales		The Tale of Peter Rabbit –	
	– Scieszka, Jon		Potter, Beatrix	
	Stone Soup - Brown, Marcia		The Three Little Pigs –	
	Tale of Despereaux –		Galdone, Paul	
	DiCamillo, Kate		Tikki Tikki Tembo – Mosel,	
	The Story of Babar – Brunhoff,		Arlene	
	Jean de		Where the Wild Things Are –	
	The Story of Ferdinand –		Sendak, Maurice	
	Leaf, Munro		Winnie-the-Pooh – Milne, A.A.	_
	Strega Nona – dePaola, Tomie		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
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☐ Alice in Wonderland – Carroll,		☐ D'Aulaire's Book of Greek	
Lewis		<i>Myths</i> – d'Aulaire, Ingri and	
☐ Anne of Green Gables –		Edgar	
Montgomery, L.M.		☐ D'Aulaire's Book of Norse	
☐ Ben and Me – Lawson, Robert		<i>Myths</i> – d'Aulaire, Ingri and	
☐ Betsy-Tacy – Lovelace, Maud		Edgar	
Hart		☐ A Dog on Barkham Street –	
☐ Black Beauty – Sewell, Anna		Stolz, Mary	
☐ The Black Stallion – Farley,		☐ The Evolution of Calpurnia	
Walter		Tate – Kelly, Jacqueline	
☐ The Borrowers – Norton, Mary		☐ From the Mixed-up Files of	
☐ Bridge to Terabithia —		Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler –	
Paterson, Katherine		Konigsburg, E.L.	
☐ Caddie Woodlawn – Brink,		☐ Gentle Ben – Morey, Walt	
•		☐ <i>Hatchet</i> – Paulsen, Gary	
Carol Ryrie		☐ Hans Brinker, or The Silver	
Cilbreth Frenk		Skates – Dodge, Mary Mapes	
Gilbreth, Frank			
☐ The Children of Green Knowe	9	Harriet the Spy – Fitzhugh, Louise	
- Boston, L.M.	معالميط		
Chronicles of Prydain – Alexando	er, Lioya	☐ <i>Heidi</i> – Spyri, Johanna	
(entire series as listed below)		☐ Homer Price – McCloskey,	
☐ The Book of Three		Robert	
☐ The Black Cauldron		☐ The House of Dies Drear —	
☐ The Castle of Llyr		Hamilton, Virginia	
□ Taran Wanderer		☐ The Jungle Book – Kipling,	
☐ The High King		Rudyard	
The Complete Chronicles of Nar		☐ Lad: A Dog – Terhune, Albert	
C.S. (entire series as listed below)		Payson	
☐ The Magician's Nephew		☐ Lassie Come Home – Knight,	
☐ The Lion, the Witch and		Eric	
the Wardrobe		☐ <i>Mary Poppins</i> – Travers,	
☐ The Horse and his Boy		Pamela I.	
☐ Prince Caspian: The		☐ <i>Matilda</i> – Dahl, Roald	
Return to Narnia		☐ The Matchlock Gun —	
☐ The Voyage of the		Edmonds, Walter	
Dawn Treader		☐ Misty of Chincoteague —	
☐ The Silver Chair		Henry, Marguerite	
☐ The Last Battle		☐ The Moffats – Estes, Eleanor	
☐ The Complete Fairy Tales (all		☐ My Side of the Mountain —	
eleven tales) - Perrault, Charles	S	George, Jeanne Craighead	
The Dark is Rising Sequence -		☐ The Pushcart War – Merrill,	
Cooper, Susan (entire series as lis	sted below)	Jean	
□Over Sea, Under Stone	,	☐ The Railway Children – Nesb	oit,
☐ The Dark Is Rising		E.	
□Greenwitch		☐ Redwall – Jacques, Brian	
☐The Grey King		☐ <i>The Rescuers</i> – Sharp,	
☐ Silver on the Tree		Margery	
		Roller Skates – Sawyer, Ruth	



☐ The Secret Garden – Burnett, France Hodgson ☐ 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 □ Tuck Everlasting – Babbitt, Natalie
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Grades 4-6

	Title and author	Date completed		Title and author	Date completed
	Across Five Aprils - Hunt, Irene	1		Julie of the Wolves – George,	
	riand, none	,		Jeanne Craighead	
	Adventures of Sherlock	·		<i>Kim</i> – Kipling, Rudyard	
	Holmes – Doyle, Arthur Conan			The Last Mission – Mazer, Harry	,
	The Adventures of Tom Sawye	r		Le Morte d'Arthur – Malory, Sir	·
	-	•	_	Thomas	
	Twain, Mark			The Legend of Sleepy Hollow –	-
	The Bridge of San Luis Rey –		_	Irving, Washington	
_	Wilder, Thornton			The Little Prince – Saint-	
	Call it Courage - Sperry,		_	Exupery, Antoine de	
	Armstrong			Little Women – Alcott, Louisa	-
	The Call of the Wild – London,		_	May	
	Jack			The Last of the Mohicans –	-
	A Christmas Carol – Dickens,		_	Cooper, James Fenimore	
	Charles			The Merry Adventures of Robin	,
	The Count of Monte Cristo –			Hood – Pyle, Howard	•
	Dumas, Alexander			<i>My Friend Flicka</i> – O'Hara, Mary	
				Narrative of the Life of	·
_	Peck, Robert Newton				
	Diary of a Young Girl – Frank,			Frederick Douglass – Douglass, Frederick	
_	Anne		П		-
	Dragonwings – Yep, Laurence			National Velvet – Bagnold, Enid	
	Enchantress from the Stars –			The Diamen Zindal Dayl	-
_	Engdahl, Sylvia Louise			The Pigman - Zindel, Paul	·
	The Endless Steppe – Hautzig,			The Pilgrim's Progress –	
_	Esther			Bunyan, John	
П	Fahrenheit 451 – Bradbury, Ray			The Red Pony - Steinbeck, John	·
	Frankenstein – Shelley, Mary			Rifles for Watie – Keith, Harold	
<u>_</u>	The Ghost Belonged to Me –			Rip van Winkle – Irving,	
_	Peck, Richard			Washington	
	The Giver – Lowry, Lois			Robinson Crusoe – Defoe,	
_	Goodbye, Mr. Chips – Hilton,			Daniel Pall of Thursday, Mac Mr. Co.	
_	James			Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry –	
	The Hobbit – Tolkien, J.R.R.			Tylor, Mildred D.	
	The Hunchback of Notre Dame			Shane – Schaefer, Jack	
_	_			Ctom. of My Life Valler Helen	-
	Hugo, Victor			Stronger Come Ashers	-
П	Incident at Hawk's Hill – Eckert,		Ц	A Stranger Came Ashore –	
_	Allan W.			Hunter, Mollie	-
П	Island of the Blue Dolphins –			Tales from Shakespeare –	
_	O'Dell, Scott			Lamb, Charles & Mary	
	Ivanhoe – Scott, Sir Walter			The Thurber Carnival – Thurber	,
_	Wainibe - Scott, Sir Waiter			James	
	Jacob Have I Loved - Paterson,			The Witch of Blackbird Pond -	
_	Katherine		_	Speare, Elizabeth George	
П	Johnny Tremain – Forbes,		Ц	Treasure Island – Stevenson,	
J	Esther			Robert Louis	
	Journey to Topaz – Uchida,		Ц	A Tree Grows in Brooklyn –	
J	Yoshiko			Smith, Betty	



20,000 Leagues under the Sea – Verne, Jules		A Wizard of Eart Ursula K.	hsea – LeGuin,
The Upstairs Room – Reiss, Johanna		A Wrinkle in Tim Madeleine	e – L'Engle,
War of the Worlds - Wells, H.G.		The Yearling – R	awlings,
Where the Red Fern Grows –		Marjorie Kinnan	
Rawls, Wilson			
The White Mountains –			
Christopher, John			
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Grades 7-8

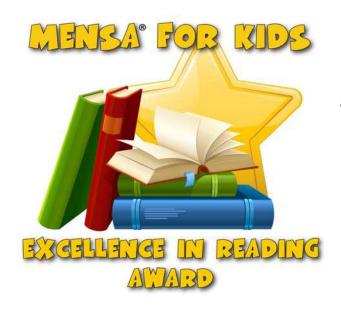
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	<i>Abraham Lincoln</i> – Sandburg, Carl			Don Quixote – Cervantes, Migue	·
	Adventures of Huckleberry Finn – Twain, Mark			Fathers and Sons – Turgenev,	
	The Aeneid - Virgil			<i>Dr. Faustus</i> – Marlowe,	
ō	Against all Hope – Valladares,			Christopher	
	Armando			For Whom the Bell Tolls –	
	The Age of Innocence – Wharton,			Hemingway, Ernest	
_	Edith			The Forsyte Saga – Galsworthy,	
	All Quiet on the Western Front –			John	
	Remarque, Erich			The Fountainhead – Rand, Ayn	
	All the King's Men - Warren,			Go Tell It on the Mountain –	
	Robert Penn			Baldwin, James	
	An American Tragedy - Dreiser,			The Good Earth - Buck, Pearl	
	Theodore			Great Expectations - Dickens,	
	Animal Farm - Orwell, George			Charles	
	Anna Karenina - Tolstoy, Leo			The Great Gatsby - Fitzgerald, F	
	The Autobiography of Benjamin			Scott	
	<i>Franklin</i> – Franklin, Benjamin			Gulliver's Travels - Swift,	
	Babbitt - Lewis, Sinclair			Jonathan	
	Barchester Towers - Trollope,			Hamlet - Shakespeare, William	
	Anthony			A Handful of Dust – Waugh,	
	Beowulf - Anonymous			Evelyn	
	Brave New World - Huxley,			The Heart is a Lonely Hunter –	
_	Aldous			McCullers, Carson	
	The Caine Mutiny – Wouk,			How Green Was My Valley –	
_	Herman		_	Llewellyn, Richard	
	Candide – Voltaire			I Know Why the Caged Bird	
	The Canterbury Tales – Chaucer,		_	Sings – Angelou, Maya	
	Geoffrey			I, Claudius – Graves, Robert	
	The Catcher in the Rye –			Inherit the Wind – Lawrence,	
	Salinger, J.D.		_	Jerome and Robert E. Lee	
	The Cherry Orchard – Chekhov,			Invisible Man – Ellison, Ralph	
П	Anton The Chasen Bately Chaire			The Iliad – Homer	
	The Chosen – Potok, Chaim Collected Short Stories – Welty,			Jane Eyre – Brontë, Charlotte	
_	Eudora			The Jungle – Sinclair, Upton King Lear – Shakespeare, William	<u> </u>
	The Concise Columbia Book of			Les Misérables – Hugo, Victor	
_	Poetry			Long Day's Journey into Night	_
	Crime and Punishment –		_	O'Neill, Eugene	_
_	Dostoevsky, Fyodor			Look Homeward, Angel – Wolfe	
	The Crucible – Miller, Arthur		_	Thomas	,
_				Lord of the Flies – Golding,	
	The Cruel Sea – Monsarrat,		_	William	
	Nicholas			The Lord of the Rings Trilogy –	
ш	Cyrano de Bergerac – Rostand,			Tolkien, J.R.R.	
	Edmond			Madame Bovary – Flaubert,	
Ц	Darkness at Noon – Koestler,		_	Gustave	
П	Arthur	·		The Magic Mountain – Mann,	
ш	A Death in the Family – Agee, James			Thomas	
	The Divine Comedy – Dante			A Man for All Seasons - Bolt,	
	Doctor Zhivago – Pasternak,			Robert	
_	Boris				
	A Doll's House – Ibsen. Henrik				



	Moby-Dick - Melville, Herman			The School for Scandal –	
_			_	Sheridan, Richard B.	
	Moll Flanders - Defoe, Daniel		_	Short Stories - Poe, Edgar Allan	
	The Moonstone - Collins, Wilkie			Silas Marner - Eliot, George	
	Much Ado About Nothing –			Lord Jim - Conrad, Joseph	
_	Shakespeare, William		_		
	Murder in the Cathedral – Eliot,			A Single Pebble – Hersey, John	
_	T.S.			Sonnets – Shakespeare, William	
	My Ántonia – Cather, Willa			Sons and Lovers – Lawrence,	
	Native Son – Wright, Richard		_	D.H.	
	Night – Wiesel, Elie			The Sound and the Fury –	
	The Nine Tailors – Sayers,			Faulkner, William	
	Dorothy			Steppenwolf – Hesse, Hermann	
	1984 – Orwell, George			The Best Short Stories of O.	
	The Odyssey – Homer Oedipus Rex – Sophocles			<i>Henry</i> (Modern Library Edition) – Henry, O.	
	•			The Stranger – Camus, Albert	
_	Of Human Bondage – Maugham, Somerset			A Streetcar Named Desire –	-
	Of Mice and Men – Steinbeck,		_	Williams, Tennessee	
_	John			Tess of the D'Urbervilles –	-
	The Once and Future King –		_	Hardy, Thomas	
_	White, T.H.			A Town Like Alice – Shute, Nevil	
	One Day in the Life of Ivan		ā	Their Eyes Were Watching God	-
_	Denisovich – Solzhenitsyn,		_	-	
	Alexander			Hurston, Zora Neale	
	Our Town – Wilder, Thornton			Things Fall Apart - Achebe,	
	A Passage to India – Forster,			Chinua	
	E.M.				
	The Picture of Dorian Gray –			To Kill a Mockingbird – Lee,	
	Wilde, Oscar			Harper	
	Portrait of the Artist as a Young			To the Lighthouse – Woolf,	
	<i>Man</i> – Joyce, James		_	Virginia	
	The Power and the Glory –			Tom Jones – Fielding, Henry	
_	Greene, Graham			The Trial – Kafka, Franz	
	Pride and Prejudice – Austen,			The Turn of the Screw – James,	
	Jane Profiles in Courses Kannady			Henry Uncle Tom's Cabin – Stowe,	
_	Profiles in Courage – Kennedy, John F.			Harriet Beecher	
	Pygmalion – Shaw, George			Vanity Fair - Thackeray, William	-
_	Bernard		_	M.	
	Rabbit, Run – Updike, John			Villette - Brontë, Charlotte	-
	The Red Badge of Courage –				
	Crane, Stephen			Wuthering Heights - Brontë,	
	The Scarlet Letter - Hawthorne,			Emily	
	Nathaniel			•	
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Mail to Excellence in Reading, Mensa Foundation 1229 Corporate Drive West, Arlington, Texas 76006-6103

Fax to 817-649-5232

Reader's	Name				Reader's Age	Mensa member # (if applicable)
Address,	city, state, ZIP cod	е				·
Email add	dress					Phone #
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Youth's s	hirt size (if request	ed)				
□ 4T	Youth S	Youth M	☐ Youth L	Youth XL	□ Adult S	☐ Adult M
Parent's r	name					Mensa member # (if applicable)
	☐ I would li	ke to subscri	be to the Bi	RIGHT enews	sletter for sm	art kids. Mensa For Kids' <i>Bright</i> is the
	smartest mo	onthly eNews	sletter for ki	ds ages 6-10	and include:	s fun games, puzzles, activities and

factoids specially selected to encourage children to learn, explore and think outside the box.

