



The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge is open for 2024!

What is the NSW Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC / "The Challenge")?

The PRC is a statewide Challenge that encourages students to develop a love of reading for leisure and pleasure, and enables them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition, but a challenge to encourage each student to read, to read more, and to read more widely.

All students who complete the challenge and have their reading record validated by the school's PRC coordinator will receive a certificate signed by the Premier of NSW. Certificates are given out in an assembly in Term 4.

What are the benefits of taking part in the Challenge?

The Challenge, as well as helping students discover a love of reading as a leisure time activity, also helps to develop essential learning habits: being organised, meeting deadlines, being accountable, taking responsibility for their reading and valuing regular reading.

How many books do students need to read?

Challenge level	Total number of books to be read	Minimum number of PRC books	Maximum number of Personal Choice books	Booklists included as PRC book choices
K-2	30	20	10	K-2, 3-4, 5-6
3-4	20	10	10	3-4, 5-6, 7-9
5-6	20	10	10	5-6, 7-9

Students in Kindergarten to Year 2 are challenged to read or experience 30 books. 20 of these books must be from the relevant Challenge booklists, and up to 10 books can be personal choice books. Books can be read with a parent, carer, teacher or another student.

Students in Year 3 to Year 6 are challenged to read 20 books independently*. At least 10 of these books must be from the relevant Challenge booklists, and up to 10 books can be personal choice books.

**for students needing assistance, see end Page 4 for details on additional supports and adjustments available*

If a book is from an **approved PRC series**, students can enter up to 5 books as Challenge books, and they can read up to 10 other books from the same series as Personal Choice books. More information on the rules of the Challenge can be found [on the PRC website](#).

PRC titles must be read in English, but Personal Choice books can be read in a home language other than English.

Books must be added to a student's online reading record by **Friday 23 August 2024** in order for their reading record to be validated and receive a certificate.

How can students find books on the NSW PRC challenge lists?

PRC titles can be identified easily in all sections of our school library by looking for the relevant stickers on the book spines (see images below):



There is also a book-browser tub each for K-2, 3-4 and 5-6 with PRC titles. This makes a great starting point for students.

Local libraries such as Stanton Library, Mosman Library and the Northern Beaches Council libraries are all great places to find PRC titles as well. They use similar labelling to make the books easy to identify.

You may also find that many of your books at home are PRC books or approved series. To check, full PRC book lists (and lists of approved series) can be found on the [PRC website](#) and are also available in hard copy in the library.

How do students log their reading?

Online: Students can access the PRC's [Student Experience site](#) using their DoE username and password, or can log into the site via the Student Portal. A video guide explaining how to use the Student Experience site can be found [here](#).

On paper: Students may also record their reading on the Personal Reading Log (given out in Term 1).



This is the personal reading log of :

- o To make sure you are reading the right books, please check the rules for your Challenge on the website: <http://www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au>
- o Student Reading Records must be entered online. Online entries will be available when schools register in 2024.
- o You can use the last two columns here to record the date or to have books signed off when you read them.

PRC ID	Title	Author		

This is a great way to track your reading as you go, and then record it all later on the [Student Experience site](#) (rather than having to log in every time you read a book!)

In Term 2 and early Term 3, a library lesson will be dedicated to allowing students to enter their progress on their reading log online with help from Mrs Seelinger, using the Personal Reading Log.

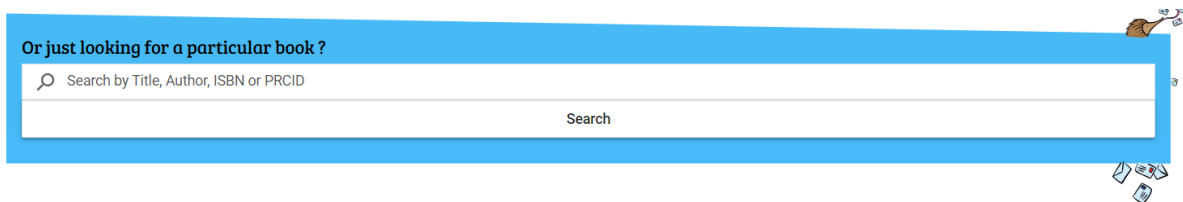
If your child needs an extra copy of the Personal Reading Log, they can get copies from the Library or the school office. A copy has also been sent out via eNews.

Who is our school's PRC Coordinator?

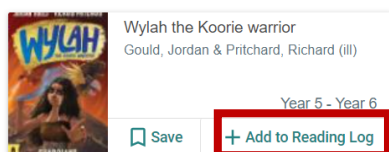
Mrs Bec Seelinger (Teacher Librarian). Please see Mrs Seelinger if you have any questions about the Challenge which cannot be answered here or on the PRC website.

A quick guide for logging books:

1. Log into the [Student experience site](#) using your DoE student username and password.
2. Use the blue search bar to search for books you have read.



2a. If the title appears, click "Add to Reading Log" to add it as a PRC book.



2b. If the title does not appear, you will need to enter it as a personal choice book.

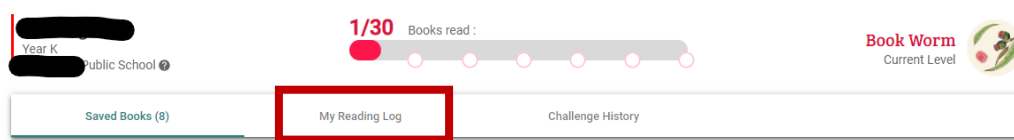
To enter a personal choice book:

1. Click on the icon in the top right hand corner:

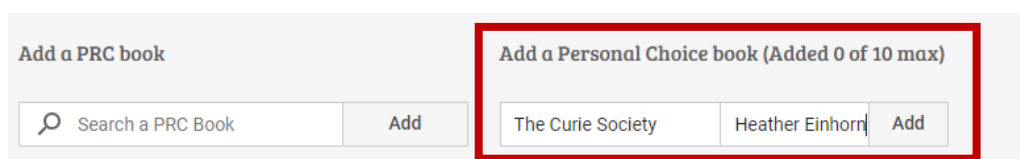
Home Rules Log out



- Click on “My reading log”



- Fill in the book details under the “Add a Personal Choice book” field and click “add”



If you have any issues with logging books, please speak to Mrs Seelinger, and record them on paper (e.g. on your Personal Reading Log) in the meantime.

What if my child needs additional support completing the challenge?

See rules 7b and 7c from the PRC website below:

7b. 3-4, 5-6 and 7-10 students only: students with special needs who would experience difficulty completing the challenge at their grade-appropriate level can take part in the 3-10 Challenge. Students on the 3-10 Challenge level will complete the challenge by reading 20 books from any challenge level (including K-2) with whatever levels of support are appropriate to their needs. PRC coordinators should submit requests for changes to the 3-10 challenge by 31 July.

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3-10	20	10	10	All booklists

7c. For all students: students who experience difficulty completing the challenge due to circumstances outside their control should talk to their PRC coordinator for assistance. PRC coordinators can provide school-based supports and adjustments to meet the needs of their school community as appropriate, and can contact the PRC team for assistance as needed.