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2020 Summer Reading Program

Our libraries now offer an online tool called **Beanstack** that children and teens can use to track their reading for our **2020 Summer Reading Program—Imagine Your Story**. By logging your reading, completing activities, and writing book reviews, you will earn points toward virtual badges, free books, and entries into our grand prize drawing at the end of the summer. The more points you earn, the better your chances of winning!

Registration Instructions for New Users (Website)

1. To create your Beanstack account, go to <http://moglibraries.beanstack.org> to create an account.
2. Choose the **Register an Individual or Family** option.
3. If you are a parent or caregiver, choose **I would like to register a child**.
4. Enter the **Adult Information** - first name, last name, username, and password are required.
5. Enter your **Child's Information** - first name, age, grade level, and school are required. (Schools are listed alphabetically, including options for Not in School, Homeschool, and Other.)
6. Click the **Next** button below the form.
7. Register additional children as needed. (It is optional to register yourself.)

After you finish registering or signing in, you will Register each child for the "Imagine Your Story - Summer 2020" challenge.

1. Click the **Register for This Challenge** button.
2. Click the **Change Readers** link to choose a different child and pre-register them, if applicable.
3. Repeat the Pre-Register steps for each child as necessary.
4. Starting **May 26**, you can track your child's reading and let them write book reviews of what they have read.
5. To record your child's reading, click the **Log Reading** button.
6. If applicable, click on **Change Readers** to select the correct child.
7. Choose the **Log Type - Minutes** or **Book** (for ages 0 to 5).
8. If you choose Minutes, enter the number of minutes, the title and author of the book (optional), and click the **Log** button. (Smartphone cameras can scan the ISBN of the book to automatically enter the title.)
9. Click the **Write Review** button to submit a book review (optional).

Point guidelines:

- Earn **1 point** for each minute of reading (e.g. 30 min. = 30 points).
- Earn **20 points** for completing activities.
- Earn **5 points** for writing a book review.
- **Ages 0 to 5 only** - Earn **15 points** per book read.

Everyone who earns at least **1,000 points** will be entered into the **grand prize drawing**. Earning

more points increases the chance of winning. Grand prize drawings will be split into the following age groups: 0-5, 6-8, 9-11, 12-14, and 15-18.

Share Your Child's Reading Progress with Their School's Media Specialist (optional)

1. Click your child's name and select **Edit Reader** from the drop-down menu.
2. Scroll down to the **Share This Reader** section.
3. Enter your school media specialist's email address into the form.
4. Click the **Send** button.