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B&ECPL Summer Reading Contest Rules and Guidelines

Registration begins June 22, 2019
Submit reviews from June 22, 2019 to August 30, 2019

Programs

The B&ECPL Summer Reading Contest offers three programs to participants. You do not need a library card to enter the contest, but you must either (a) reside in Erie County or (b) be eligible to sign up for a library card in Buffalo & Erie County Public Library System (for further information please visit: <https://www.buffalolib.org/content/borrower-information#card>).

The ADULT CONTEST is open to adults ages 18 and up. The TEEN CONTEST is open to teens ages 13-17. The KID CONTEST is open to children up to age 12.

Registration

Please create an account and register for a program: <http://becpl.ny08.readsquared.com/Register.aspx> or visit <http://becpl.ny08.readsquared.com/> and click "REGISTER." If you registered for the 2019 B&ECPL Winter Reading Program, your account may still be active.

Contest Entries/Book Reviews

In order to participate in the Summer Reading contest, you must submit book reviews through the online website. Each book review counts as an entry in a prize drawing. The more reviews you submit, the more chances you have to win! The reviews are subject to approval by staff librarians. The library reserves the right to edit or remove reviews that do not follow the guidelines.

What can I read?

ADULT CONTEST: adult/young-adult fiction books, adult/young-adult nonfiction books and adult/young-adult graphic novels. Print, audiobooks, and e-books are permissible. No children's titles, please.

TEEN CONTEST: adult/young-adult fiction books, adult/young-adult nonfiction books and adult/young-adult graphic novels. Print, audiobooks, and e-books are permissible. No children's titles, please.

KID CONTEST: picture books, readers, fiction books, nonfiction books, and graphic novels. Print, audiobooks, and e-books are permissible. Kids can read books by themselves or with someone else (e.g., a parent or guardian, caregiver, brother or sister, buddy or friend).

What MUST be included in my book review?

1. Title and author of the book.
2. A BRIEF description of the plot of the book. (No spoilers, please! Original reviews and descriptions only; please do not copy an existing review or description of the book.)
3. A REVIEW of the book. Did you like the book? Why or why not?

What MAY be included in my book review?

4. You may also include: Are there similar authors or books others might like? Have you liked other books by the author?

What MUST NOT be included in my book review?

5. Please do not include profanity, obscenities, or mean-spirited remarks.
6. Please do not include names, phone numbers, addresses, or URLs.

Prizes

There will be one system-wide grand prize winner in each category. The grand prize is a Kindle Fire HD 10 Tablet (Alexa-enabled)!

There will also be one winner in each category at each participating branch. The prize is an Amazon \$25 gift card!

Each winner will be chosen by a random drawing. If the winner does not claim their prize within 60 days of notification, the B&ECPL has the discretion to withdraw the prize entirely. Winners will be notified by email or telephone after August 30, 2019. Library staff are not eligible to win.