

“Build a Better World”

Summer Reading Contest for Teens

For Readers Ages 13 to 16.

Registration Begins June 12, 2017

Submit reviews from June 12, 2017 through August 25, 2017

RULES and GUIDELINES

Book Reviews

Summer reading participants are asked to write brief book reviews. **Each review written counts as one ballot in the drawing**, so the more reviews you submit, the more chances you have to win! Submissions can be Young Adult or Adult, Fiction or Non-Fiction.

For all reviews:

You must include:

- The title and author of the book
- A brief description of the book and what it is about.
- Did you like the book? Why or why not? Would you recommend it to others?
- *Optionally*, you may also include information about similar authors, books, etc.

Please do not include:

- Copy-pasted or plagiarized reviews: Only original reviews will be considered
- “Spoilers:” anything that gives away surprise plot elements
- Profanity, swearing, or mean-spirited remarks
- Phone numbers, mail addresses, or URL addresses

The reviews are subject to approval by staff librarians. The library reserves the right to edit or remove reviews that do not follow these guidelines.

Who Can Participate?

The contest is open to readers from the ages of 13 to 16 who reside in Erie County, or who are eligible to sign up for a library card in the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library System.

You do **not** need to have a library card to enter the contest.

If you participated in our Winter Reading Contest you will have to create a new profile with a new user name and password for the Winter Reading Contest. All participants' records are deleted shortly after the conclusion of the contests each season.

Prizes:

Upon Registration, each contestant will identify their local library and become eligible to win either one of 37 branch-level prizes, OR one (1) system-wide grand prize!

Any reader who participates in the Teen Summer Reading Contest has a chance to win...

One (1) **\$25 Amazon gift card** awarded to a winner for each library branch

OR

The teen grand prize: A **Nintendo 2DS game system with Mario Kart 7 bundle**, plus one copy of **Animal Crossing: New Leaf**, the simulation game where you become town mayor and help “Build a Better World!”



Winners will be notified by email or telephone after September 1, 2017.
Library staff are not eligible to win.
Questions: Call 858-8900

When the Summer Reading Contest winner comes to claim a prize, the winner must present an acceptable form of ID.

A list of acceptable forms of ID can be found in B&ECPL's "Borrower Information – How to Apply for a Library Card" <http://www.buffalolib.org/borrowerinformation/index.asp#card>.

If a winner does not claim their prize within 60 days the library has the discretion to withdraw the prize entirely.