

Ravens Read BINGO: Frequently Asked Questions

How do I earn a BINGO?

Complete five squares in a row—across, down, or diagonally.

Do I have to complete the challenges in order?

No. You may choose any square on the card and complete the challenges in any order.

Can one book count for more than one challenge?

No. Each book may count for **one BINGO square only**. If a book fits more than one challenge, you may choose which challenge you want it to count toward.

Is the “YOU CHOOSE!” square a free space?

No. For the “YOU CHOOSE!” square, you may read any book you choose.

Do I have to read the whole book?

Yes. You must finish the book before it counts toward a BINGO square.

Can books I have already read count?

Yes. Any book you have read **since school began in August** may count, as long as it fits the challenge and you complete the required reading log entry.

Can a book I read for class count?

Yes. A book you read for class may count as long as you have read it **since school began in August** and it fits one of the challenges on the BINGO card. Remember: **one book = one square**.

Does the book have to come from the school library?

No. You may read a book from the school library, classroom library, public library, home, or another source.

Can an ebook or audiobook count?

Yes. An unabridged audiobook or ebook counts as reading the book.

Can graphic novels count?

Yes. Graphic novels count as books. Remember that each book may still be used for only one BINGO square.

Can I read more than one book by the same author?

Yes, unless a particular challenge says otherwise.

Who can sign or initial my reading log?

A parent, guardian, or teacher may sign or initial your reading log after you finish a book.

Does a book count if my reading log is incomplete?

No. To count a book toward Raven’s Read BINGO, you must **record the title and author and have a parent, guardian, or teacher sign or initial your reading log**. A book does not count toward a BINGO square until the reading log entry is complete.

What if I’m not sure whether my book fits a challenge?

Ask the librarian! It is always better to check before counting the book toward a square.

Do I have to complete the entire BINGO card?

No. Your first goal is to earn a BINGO by completing five squares in a row—across, down, or diagonally. After earning a BINGO, keep reading and completing challenges. **Can you complete every square and earn a BLACKOUT?**

What does it mean when a challenge says “Read a book in the 300s, 400s, 500s, 600s, 700s, or 900s”?

These numbers refer to sections of the **Dewey Decimal System**, which helps organize nonfiction books in the library. Look at the call number on a book’s spine to find its Dewey number.

300s – Social Sciences — money management, government, careers, military and public service, customs, holidays, fairy tales, folklore, legends, and more

400s – Language — languages, dictionaries, grammar, and more

500s – Science — math, space, plants, animals, dinosaurs, and other sciences

600s – Technology — inventions, medicine, engineering, cooking, farming, and more

700s – Arts & Recreation — art, music, sports, games, crafts, and hobbies

900s – History & Geography — countries, places, history, explorers, and historical events

You don’t need to memorize the Dewey Decimal System! Learning how the numbers work will help you understand how libraries are organized and find books about the things that interest you.

Want to see what you can find using Dewey?

 **Spies & espionage?** Try **327.12**

 **Military history & soldiers?** Explore the **355s**

 **Sharks?** Try **597.3**

 **Forensics & crime-solving science?** Try **614**

 **Cooking & baking?** Try **641.5**

 **Cartooning & comics?** Try **741.5**

 **Origami?** Try **736.982**

 **Basketball?** Try **796.323**

 **Football?** Try **796.332**

 **Knights & the Middle Ages?** Look around **940.1**

 **World War II?** Look around **940.53**

Think of Dewey numbers as addresses for subjects—follow the numbers and see where they lead you! 