



Frequently Asked Questions:

1. ***What if I'm just getting started in the middle of the school year?***

You can start at any time. That's why we have mini prizes at the end of each 2-year sub-group. If you need to catch up to reach the 100 book target at the end, just read a few more books each year and we will add them to the sub-group you missed.

2. ***What if the book I want is already checked out?***

You have two options. (1) You can "RESERVE" the book or (2) you can borrow a copy from another library through MEL. (see the Apollo FAQ page for details or ask for help at one of the circulation desks)

3. ***Can I read a book that doesn't come from the library?***

PROBABLY not. This program is designed to encourage you to use your public library and its services, including MEL. The one outside program we do support and encourage is CLUE-ME-IN. If you are reading one of those books, tell the staff member the author, title, and the main characters of the book to include it on your tally.

4. ***Can I read "UP" or "DOWN"?***

Books in each list are intended to be fairly close to grade level for reading level and interest level. If you are a developing reader (or ESL student) that needs an easier list, your family may want to look at the lower grade list. Similarly, you can choose to read "UP" at the higher level (and I have plenty of great middle school level books I can recommend for 4th and 5th graders).

5. ***Is every book appropriate for every reader?***

No. We all like different genres, writing styles, and the lists include diverse characters, family situations, and issues. The full Apollo record should give you a good idea of what each book is about. The 4th-5th grade list is quite large to give you plenty of "good fit" choices.

6. ***I see a lot of my favorite authors, but not every book by that author is on the list?***

Correct. For books in series, the list includes the first book in the series (in a few cases the second book is listed because sometimes they are the most well-known or the recommended starting point). YOU CAN DEFINITELY READ other books in that series. I will attempt to continue adding new books, but if I miss one, the answer is almost always, "YES, you can include that book in your 100 Books." The same answer is true for most other books by an author included on the list that is at the appropriate reading level. (Remember the book must be checked out from TRPL or through MEL)

7. ***Can I read a book that's not on the list?***

PROBABLY. Come see Mr. B. if you have a suggestion for books to add to the list (and see FAQ #4). (Remember the book must be checked out from TRPL or through MEL)

8. ***I have more questions.....***

Email Mr. B. at pbutts@threeiverslibrary.org