

The Premier's Reading Challenge

What is the Challenge?

The Premier's Reading Challenge is a literacy engagement program that was introduced by the Premier in 2004 to:

- Encourage students to read more books and enjoy reading.
- Improve literacy levels.

Benefits of the Challenge

- Raises the profile of reading and literacy in schools.
- Gives students a focus for their reading.
- Encourages students to enjoy reading and read more books.
- Encourages students to participate by being challenged.
- Offers incentives for reluctant readers.
- Builds self-esteem, pride, school unity and a sense of achievement among students.
- Increases the involvement of parents in their child's reading.
- Increases the number of library books borrowed.
- Contributes to increased literacy levels.

How to complete the Challenge?

- Students are required to read 12 books from the start of the school year until the end of week 7, term 3. 8 books must be from the Premier's Reading Challenge book list, and 4 can be personal choice.
- Eligible books include e-books, audio books, class/shared reading, prescribed books for school, non-fiction books, books read as research for assignments or books in another language.
- Students must record the titles and authors of the books they read on their Student Reading Record (distributed by their class teacher).
- A teacher, teacher librarian, public librarian, or parent/carer must sign each entry on the Student Reading Record to indicate that the student has read (or shared in the reading of) a book at an appropriate literacy level and that the book title and author are accurate.

In 2024, a mid-year intake certificate has been introduced. Only students enrolled mid-year for reception will receive this award for their first 6 months of school.

Awards

Every students who complete the Premier's Reading Challenge by the end date receives an award in Term 4. Awards are based on years of participation:

First Year:	Certificate
Second Year:	Bronze Medal
Third Year:	Silver Medal
Fourth Year:	Gold Medal
Fifth Year:	Champion Medal
Sixth Year:	Legend Medal
Seventh Year:	Hall of Fame Medal

Students who have completed the Challenge for 7 years are awarded a Hall of Fame medal and are eligible to have their name added to the Hall of Fame Honour Roll. Their first and last name is displayed only, no further details about school or year level is displayed for security reasons. The Hall of Fame Honour Roll Consent section of the form must be fully completed by and signed by a Parent/Guardian.

[Book List | Premiers Reading Challenge SA](#) Use this link to access the Premier's Reading Challenge book list of all books included in the Challenge.