## **1000 BOOKS**

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### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

#### Register & receive a Welcome Bag

Register at the Simsbury Public Library Children's Room and receive a Welcome Bag with program information, a log sheet, and a new book for you to keep!



## Color or check off each book you read on your log sheet. What counts?

- Books you read to your child
- Books they hear in storytime
  - Audio or video books
- Favorite books read over and over (each reading counts!)

# Visit the library each time you reach a milestone.

Visit the Children's Room and share your accomplishment! For every 100 books you read, you will receive a sticker and a new book.





### Celebrate reading 1000 books!

When you complete the program, you will receive a certificate of completion with your child's name, a final book for your personal library, and a place on the virtual 1000 Books Before K Wall of Fame!

Facebook Album: https://tinyurl.com/uxrufssh





### Is it possible to read 1000 books?

Yes! If you read 3 books a day for a year, you will have read 1,095 books. If you read one book a day, you will read 1,095 in three years.

#### What is Early Literacy?

We want to help you have fun with your child and build a foundation for a love of reading. Reading with your child helps to develop Early Literacy skills—the building blocks for language and literacy development.

**TALK:** Children learn language by listening to their parents and others talk. As children hear spoken language, they learn new words and what they mean.

**SING:** Singing slows down language so children can better hear the different sounds that make up words.

**READ:** Shared reading is the single most important way to help children get ready to read. Reading together increases vocabulary and general knowledge. It helps children learn how print looks and how books work.

**WRITE:** Children can learn pre-writing skills through drawing, scribbling, and activities like fingerplays, which all develop fine motor skills.

**PLAY:** Children learn through play! Play allows them to test out ideas, express themselves, put thoughts into words, and learn about the world around them.

### How can the library help?

The Simsbury Public Library helps you instill a lifelong love of reading in your child. Our storytimes programs and our Raising Readers book recommendation service will help develop the Early Literacy skills essential for your child's future reading success and enjoyment.

For more information, visit simsburylibrary.info

