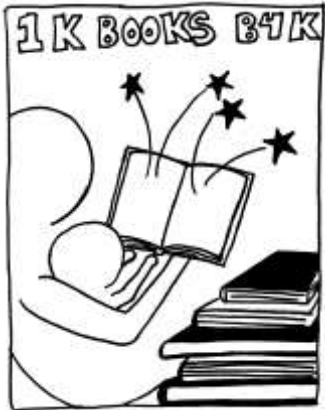




★ Bennington County ★ 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten



Experts tell us that children need to hear a thousand stories read aloud before they begin to learn to read for themselves – Mem Fox, Reading Magic



How it Works:

1. Register for **1KBB4K** & receive your reading log & program information at any of the following locations: Bennington County Head Start, Bennington Free Library, UCS Infant-Toddler Center, John G. McCullough Free Library, Oak Hill Children's Center or Sunrise Family Resource Center.
2. Record your progress on the reading log or with the free **1KBB4K** smartphone app.
3. Your child will earn a free book at participating libraries for every 200 books read. When you reach 1,000 books, your child will receive a special certificate and will be given a bookplate with their name to place in their favorite book at the public library! In addition, your child can have their picture taken for the **Reader's Hall of Fame** on the **1KBB4K** Facebook page.



What Counts Towards the 1,000 Book Goal?

Any book your child hears read out loud counts (repeat books count, too). Story time books at preschools, childcare centers, family daycare homes or at your local libraries also count!

Need more books to reach your goal? Thousands of children's books are available at your local libraries. Even ebooks & e-audiobooks borrowed for free with your library card and enjoyed with your smartphone or mobile device count!



1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Bags: Families can also check out special **1KBB4K Bags** available at Bennington County Head Start, Bennington Free Library, UCS Infant-Toddler Center, John G. McCullough Free Library, Oak Hill Children's Center or Sunrise Family Resource Center. The bags can be signed out & returned to any participating location. Each bag contains 5 books to read with your child.



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