

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2026

Reading for 20 minutes a day means you can read around 30 books a year!

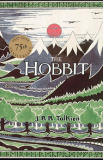
YEAR 7

READING LIST

-  **The Boy at the Back of the Class** by Onjali Q. Raúf
-  **Holes** by Louis Sachar
-  **Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief** by Rick Riordan
-  **Wonder** by R.J. Palacio
-  **Being Miss Nobody** by Tamsin Winter

YEAR 8

READING LIST

-  **The Hunger Games** by Suzanne Collins
-  **The Hobbit** by J.R.R. Tolkien
-  **Geek Girl** by Holly Smale
-  **Maze Runner** by James Dashner
-  **Wink** by Rob Harrell

YEAR 9

READING LIST

-  **The Last Paper Crane** by Kerry Drewery
-  **Eragon** by Christopher Paolini
-  **Lord of the Flies** by William Golding
-  **The Cruel Prince** by Holly Black
-  **The Bone Sparrow** by Zana Fraillon

YEAR 10

READING LIST

-  **The Last Paper Crane** by Matt Haig
-  **The Inheritance Games** by Jennifer Lynn Barnes
-  **Animal Farm** by George Orwell
-  **Never Let Me Go** by Kazuo Ishiguro
-  **The Hate U Give** by Angie Thomas

YEAR 11

READING LIST

-  **They Both Die at the End** by Adam Silvera
-  **The Book Thief** by Markus Zusak
-  **As Long As The Lemon Trees Grow** by Zoulfa Katouh
-  **Dune** by Frank Herbert
-  **Fahrenheit 451** by Ray Bradbury

WHY IS READING IMPORTANT?

- ✓ Improves vocabulary and spelling.
- ✓ Develops stronger writing skills.
- ✓ Builds confidence in reading aloud.
- ✓ Reduces stress and improves wellbeing.
- ✓ Prepares you for GCSE success and future careers.

READING TIPS

-  Find a comfy, quiet place.
-  Set yourself a daily reading goal.
-  Talk to family and friends about what you're reading.
-  Try audiobooks too!

LOCAL SALFORD LIBRARIES

IT'S FREE TO JOIN!

- Pendleton Library
- Eccles Library
- Broughton Library
- Swinton Library
- Height Library
- Ordsall Library
- Winton Library

> Free membership
 > eBooks and audiobooks
 > Free WiFi and computers
 > Quiet study space
 > Holiday activities and events



The Albion Academy
The best in everyone™
Part of United Learning

MAKE THIS SUMMER A PAGE-TURNING ADVENTURE

- Read a little every day
- Try a new genre
- Visit a local library
- Discover your next favourite book
- Write an amazing book review
- Join a book club or local library event

At the Albion Academy, we are passionate about inspiring a life-long love of reading. We recognise how important reading is to your child's future attainment, their emotional well-being, and their understanding of the world around them. Therefore, we want to provide you with the Albion Summer Reading Challenge to help grow better readers both at school and at home. This list includes a variety of books and genres for your child to explore over the summer.

Moreover, our local libraries provide the perfect safe and relaxing environment for people of all ages to enjoy a good book. Our local community has plenty of libraries that will be open over the summer; you may just want to borrow some books and leave, but some libraries will host events for the community that you may be interested in getting involved with.

Reading is at the heart of our pledge to the Albion Academy to support your child in achieving their full potential.

FREE & FUN SUMMER EVENTS

Comic Club - Eccles Library.

Every Friday, 4-5pm

A fantastic club for comic book fans, graphic novel lovers and aspiring illustrators.

Salford 100 Writing Competition Workshop - Salford Museum & Art Gallery.

Every Wednesday, 5th - 26th August, 2-3pm

Celebrate Salford's rich history and share your own stories through special creative writing opportunities linked to the city's centenary celebrations

Chatterbooks - Walkden Library.

Every second Saturday of the month, 10.30-11.30am

Talk about books, make friends and enjoy fun reading-themed activities and crafts.

Creative Writing Group - Height Library.

Every Thursday, 1.30-3pm.

Enjoy relaxed writing sessions, creative prompts and opportunities to develop your own stories and poems.

Your Salford 100 in Photographs - Ordsall Hall

14 June 2026 - 30 May 2027

A new exhibition showcasing 100 photographs selected by 100 people from Salford, each accompanied by a personal story explaining why they chose the image.

USEFUL LINKS

This link contains information about all the Salford City Council Libraries available to you and the services they offer:

<https://salfordcommunityleisure.co.uk/libraries/our-libraries/>

This link has information regarding what to find at Salford Museum and Art Gallery: <https://salfordmuseum.com/whatson/>

This link tells you all about the different things on offer at Manchester Central Library:

<https://www.manchester.gov.uk/centrallibrary>

EXPLORE LIBRARIES & MUSEUMS

Manchester Central Library - St Peter's Square, Manchester, M2 5PD

One of the UK's most impressive libraries, packed with books, music collections, archives and research resources.

Opening Times: Mon - Thurs: 9am-8pm, Fri - Sat: 9am-5pm

The Working Class Movement Library - 51 Crescent, Salford, M5 4WX

Explore fascinating books, archives, photographs, pamphlets and artefacts that tell the story of working-class history.

Opening Times: Tues-Fri: 10am-4pm

Salford Local History Library - Salford Museum & Art Gallery, Crescent, M5 4WU

Discover over 70,000 photographs, historic maps, newspapers and records that bring Salford's past to life.

Opening Times: Wed - Fri: 9.30am-4pm
(Appointment booking required)



The Albion Academy
The best in everyone™
Part of United Learning

"We are a school community who celebrate inclusivity, ambition and aspirational learners"

Respect | Ambition | Resilience