

# **Black River Book Bingo Challenge**

## **What do I need to do?**

You need to read! Look at all of the options on the BR Book Bingo Challenge Scorecard. Which options appeal to you? Which authors and types of books haven't you explored before? Find a book that matches one of the squares on the scorecard and start reading. When you have finished reading a book, complete a Reading Reflection Page and save it. Also, have a parent or guardian add initials (P.I.) to the corresponding square on your scorecard. Then, go back to the Bingo scorecard, find another option, and repeat the process!

## **Why does this matter?**

Reading is an important skill that you need to develop all year long, not just during the school year when classes are in session. Improving your reading skills will help you not only in English class but in ALL of your classes as you work your way through middle school and beyond. Also, **READING IS FUN!** Challenge yourself to try reading books from a genre you haven't explored before — you may find a new favorite!

## **What else do I need to know?**

If you choose to accept the Book Bingo Challenge you will get to read great books all summer AND be eligible for some really cool rewards:

- ✓ **1 Line** = Recognition in the Ripples/Rat Trap *and* English Extra Credit
- ✓ **2 Lines+** = Recognition in the Ripples/Rat Trap/CAP, English Extra Credit, *and* Ice Cream Party

Lines can be completed vertically, horizontally, or diagonally. Please plan to turn in your BR Book Bingo Challenge Scorecard and your completed written work to your English teacher during the first week of school in the Fall. **Please note: each book can only be used for one bingo square - choose wisely!**

Pick up extra Reading Reflection Pages from your English teacher before the end of the school year - and check the Black River website this summer for a link to summer reading documents you can print at home.

## **Where can I find books so that I can get started on the Book Bingo Challenge?**

- **Herrick District Library.** Locations on River Avenue and Riley Street.
- **Readers World.** Located in downtown Holland on the corner of River/8th.
- **Barnes and Noble.** Located near the intersection of Riley and US 31.
- **Between The Covers - Used Books.** Located in Outlet Mall of Holland.

## BR Book Bingo Challenge Recommended Reading

Here are some great reading suggestions to get you started on your quest, but you will need to put in some research time to figure out which books may work with each square on your BR Book Bingo Challenge Scorecard. We encourage you to find books outside of this list to complete the challenge as well. \*Remember to have your parent initial the Bingo square when you have completed a book!

<p><i>Crossover</i> by Kwame Alexander  <i>When You Reach Me</i> by Rebecca Stead  <i>The Graveyard Book</i> by Neil Gaiman  <i>Higher Power of Lucky</i> by Susan Patron  <i>A View from Saturday</i> by E.L. Konigsburg  <i>Walk Two Moons</i> by Sharon Creech  <i>Missing May</i> by Cynthia Rylant  <i>Bridge to Terabithia</i> by Katherine Paterson  <i>M.C. Higgins the Great</i> by Virginia Hamilton  <i>Summer of the Swans</i> by Betsy Byers  <i>The Hero and the Crown</i> by Robin McKinley  <i>The Gray King</i> by Susan Cooper  <i>Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH</i> by Robert O'Brien  <i>The High King</i> by Lloyd Alexander  <i>A Wrinkle In Time</i> by Madeleine L'Engle  <i>The Westing Game</i> by Ellen Raskin  <i>One Came Home</i> by Amy Timberlake  <i>Doll Bones</i> by Holly Black  <i>When You Reach Me</i> by Rebecca Stead  <i>Good Masters! Sweet Ladies! Voices from a Medieval Village</i> by Laura Amy Schlitz  <i>Elijah of Buxton</i> by Christopher Paul Curtis  <i>Hitler Youth: Growing Up in Hitler's Shadow</i> by Susan Campbell Bartoletti  <i>Princess Academy</i> by Shannon Hale  <i>Show Way</i> by Jacqueline Woodson  <i>Kira-Kira</i> by Cynthia Kadohata  <i>Al Capone Does My Shirts</i> by Gennifer Choldenko  <i>The Voice that Challenged a Nation: Marian Anderson and the Struggle for Equal Rights</i> by Russell Freedman  <i>Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy</i> by Gary D. Schmidt  <i>Hope Was Here</i> by Joan Bauer  <i>Because of Winn-Dixie</i> by Kate DiCamillo  <i>Joey Pigza Loses Control</i> by Jack Gantos</p>	<p><i>Bud, Not Buddy</i> by Christopher Paul Curtis  <i>Getting Near to Baby</i> by Audrey Couloumbis  <i>Our Only May Amelia</i> by Jennifer L. Holm  <i>Moon Over Manifest</i> by Clare Vanderpool  <i>Criss Cross</i> by Lynne Rae Perkins  <i>Crispin: The Cross of Lead</i> by Avi  <i>A Year Down Yonder</i> by Richard Peck  <i>Out of the Dust</i> by Karen Hesse  <i>Midwife's Apprentice</i> by Karen Cushman  <i>Number the Stars</i> by Lois Lowry  <i>Island of the Blue Dolphins</i> by Scott O'Dell  <i>Flora and Ulysses</i> by Kate DiCamillo  <i>Dead End in Norvelt</i> by Jack Gantos  <i>Holes</i> by Louis Sachar  <i>The Twenty-One Balloons</i> by William Pene DuBois  <i>From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler</i> by E. L. Konisburg  <i>The Year of Billy Miller</i> by Kevin Henkes  <i>Paperboy</i> by Vince Vawter  <i>The Higher Power of Lucky</i> by Susan Patron  <i>Penny from Heaven</i> by Jennifer L. Holm  <i>Hattie Big Sky</i> by Kirby Larson  <i>Rules</i> by Cynthia Lord  <i>Whittington</i> by Alan Armstrong  <i>The Tale of Despereaux: Being the Story of a Mouse, a Princess, Some Soup, and a Spool of Thread</i> by Kate DiCamillo  <i>Olive's Ocean</i> by Kevin Henkes  <i>An American Plague: The True and Terrifying Story of the Yellow Fever Epidemic of 1793</i> by Jim Murphy  <i>The House of the Scorpion</i> by Nancy Farmer  <i>Pictures of Hollis Woods</i> by Patricia Reilly Giff  <i>Hoot</i> by Carl Hiaasen  <i>A Corner of The Universe</i> by Ann M. Martin  <i>Surviving the Applewhites</i> by Stephanie S. Tolan  <i>Everything on a Waffle</i> by Polly Horvath  <i>Carver: A Life In Poems</i> by Marilyn Nelson</p>
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# BR Book Bingo Challenge Scorecard

<p><b>A BOOK THAT BECAME A MOVIE</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>A BOOK PUBLISHED THIS YEAR</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>A BOOK WITH A NUMBER IN THE TITLE</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>THE SECOND BOOK IN A SERIES</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>A BOOK ABOUT AN ANIMAL</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
<p><b>A BOOK MORE THAN TWENTY YEARS OLD</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>A BOOK WITH A ONE WORD TITLE</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>A BOOK YOUR FRIEND LOVES</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>A BOOK BASED ON A TRUE STORY</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>A BOOK YOU HEARD ABOUT ONLINE</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
<p><b>A NON-FICTION BOOK</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>A DYSTOPIAN BOOK</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>FREE CHOICE!</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>A BEST SELLING BOOK</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>A FUNNY BOOK</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
<p><b>A BOOK SET ON ANOTHER CONTINENT</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>A BOOK WITH A MYSTERY</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>A BOOK BY A FEMALE AUTHOR</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>THE 1st BOOK BY YOUR FAVORITE AUTHOR</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>A BOOK SET PRIOR TO 1980</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
<p><b>A BOOK WITH MORE THAN 300 PAGES</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>A CLASSIC BOOK</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>A BOOK w/ NONHUMAN CHARACTERS</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>A BOOK WRITTEN BY SOMEONE UNDER 30</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>A BIOGRAPHICAL BOOK</b></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Author:            P.I.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>

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**Reader Reflection** \*Complete sentences, please!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: **6 7 8**

**Describe the main character(s) in this book.** How do they look, act, and sound?

**With which character(s) in this book would you like to spend time in real life?** Explain why and what you would like to do with them.

**How would you describe the setting of this book?** Compare it to where you live. What affect does the setting have on the plot?

**What is the main conflict (problem) in this book?** How does the main character change as a result of the conflict?

**Describe the ending of this book.** Does it resolve the conflict? Is it satisfying? What would you have done differently if you were the author?

**What do you think is the main theme or message that the author wants you to understand by reading this book?**

**What other thoughts do you have about this book or author? Would you recommend it to a friend?**

