



NH 1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

1000 Books Before Kindergarten is a nationwide initiative to increase literacy building activities and promote reading to newborns, infants and toddlers. Studies have shown that reading to children from an early age helps them gain the confidence and early literacy skills they need to become strong readers!



REGISTER ANYTIME

Baker Free Library
509 South Street
Bow, NH 03304
(603) 224-7113



1,000

BOOKS

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**BAKER FREE LIBRARY'S
EARLY LITERACY
PROGRAM**



HOW IT

WORKS

Register your child at the library.

Children may join the program at any age, with the aim of completing 1,000 books before starting kindergarten.

Receive a 100-book reading log when you sign-up, and start tracking.

Color in, sticker, or stamp each space on your reading log for every book you share together. You can count books a parent, caregiver, sibling, teacher, or librarian is reading to your child, and any books they are reading on their own. Repeats count!

Read with your child, and make it fun!

Literacy improves when stories are shared. Spend time reading with your child, try on silly voices, and ask lots of questions to make reading interactive. Look for opportunities to discuss concepts like shapes, colors, rhymes and sounds.



FAVORITES

The Very Busy Spider
Eric Carle

Bark, George!
Jules Feiffer

Kitten's First Full Moon
Kevin Henkes

Where is the Green Sheep?
Mem Fox

White Rabbit's Color Book
Alan Baker

Chicka Chicka Boom Boom
Bill Martin

Bear Can't Sleep
Karma Wilson

Llama Llama Red Pajama
Anna Dewdney



EARN

REWARDS

AT REGISTRATION

When your child registers, they will receive their own canvas book bag along with their first reading log.

PRIZES FOR EVERY LOG

Every time you complete a reading log, turn it in at the library for a small prize!

COMPLETING THE PROGRAM

When your child completes 1,000 books, they will receive a certificate of completion and -- if permitted -- will have their picture featured on the library's social media pages. Each child will also receive their own book.