

2021 LFJCC ADULT SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Program + Beanstack Basics

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- **What is the Adult Summer Reading Program?**
 - In the spirit of *Ahavat Limud* (love of learning), the LFJCC is motivating adults to build and enhance their Jewish knowledge by hosting our 1st annual Adult Summer Reading Program. The LFJCC staff, our partners at the Jewish Book Council (JBC), and San Diego Jewish community celebrities have curated a fabulous list of quality books and authors to choose from. From June to September, participants will track the pages they've read (don't worry, audiobooks count too!) while engaging with other book lovers, and earn prizes along the way! Whether you're a new or longtime reader, or just picked it up during the pandemic, our affiliate partner JBC offers an incredible selection of books in all areas of Jewish interest.

- **Who is eligible to participate in the program?**
 - Any adult who is 18 and older. Location is not a factor! We invite participants from outside San Diego county to be a part of the program.

- **What books are eligible for the program?**
 - For the 2021 Adult Summer Reading Challenge: Any book written by a Jewish author and/or involving Jewish content. If you're looking for reading options/inspiration you can visit the Jewish Book Council's website here: <https://www.jewishbookcouncil.org/books>. For this challenge you are not required to read a JBC book. JBC is provided as a great resource for book options if you're unsure what book(s) to read.
 - For the 10 to Try Reading Challenge: For this challenge you will select one book from each of the 10 JBC curated book lists. These lists are available on the Beanstack site.
 - You are also strongly encouraged to check out books from the Astor Judaica Library located on the 2nd floor of the Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, Jacobs Family Campus. Check-out slips are available at the library's front desk. To view the library's catalog, please click [HERE](#).
 - Please note: We do not have virtual books available through the library nor can you checkout or renew books via the link above. The catalog is

simply a way to view our selection and see what is available and/or what has already been checked out.

- **How much does it cost to register?**
 - It is completely FREE to join the Adult Summer Reading Program and some books will be available to check out for free from the Astor Judaica Library. Costs will only be incurred if purchasing books to read for the program. A list of library book options will be made available on the program's landing page.

 - **Where can I find more information?**
 - You can visit the program landing page at: <https://www.lfjcc.org/cjc/adultreading.aspx>. Also accessible at the short link: lfjcc.org/summerreading.
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BEANSTACK BASICS:

- **What is Beanstack?**
 - Beanstack is an online reading tracker that allows you to log and keep track of the number of pages read, participate in challenges, collect virtual badges, and connect with other program participants.

- **How do I register for the program?**
 - To register, visit the LFJCC designated Beanstack landing page - if you are brand new to Beanstack and do not already have an account you will go to **Create an Account**, select **Register an Individual or Family**, and fill out the appropriate fields.
 - Registration happens entirely through Beanstack at: <https://lfjcc.beanstack.org/>. There is no registration process through the JCC website.

- **How long is registration open?**
 - You can register for the program anytime between June 21 and September 21. However, the earlier you register the more time you have to participate in the challenges and win as many prizes as possible!

- **Is a Beanstack registration required to participate in the program?**
 - For the time being yes*, you must be registered in Beanstack to participate in the program. If you are not comfortable registering, please contact Lauren Luedtke (laurenl@lfjcc.org or 858.362.1150), Allie Donahoo (allied@lfjcc.org or 858.362.1328), or Guest Services (858.457.3030).
 - *We are putting together a paper log for participants who would prefer to not register on Beanstack. The paper log will be available both as a printout on the Summer Reading landing page and for pick up both at the Guest Services Desk and in the upstairs Astor Judaica Library.

- **Once I am registered, how do I log in?**
 - On the LFJCC's Beanstack homepage, you will scroll down to **Already Have an Account?** and log in by entering either your email address OR username and password.
 - In order to be able to use your email address for Beanstack, you will need to have entered it during the registration process.

- **What happens if I forget my password?**
 - On the LFJCC's Beanstack homepage you will go to **Already Have an Account?** Once on the login page, you will select **Forgot Password**. You will need to have an email address connected to your account in order to receive an email from Beanstack that prompts you to create a new password.
 - If you do not have an email address connected to your account, you will need to contact Lauren Luedtke, Allie Donahoo, or Guest Services (contact information provided above) who will need to reset your password for you.

- **What are the reading challenges I can participate in?**
 - There are 2 different challenges in our Adult Summer Reading Program:
 - 2021 Adult Summer Reading Challenge
 - 10 to Try Reading Challenge
 - To participate in these challenges, you will go to the area on the Beanstack homepage where it lists the challenges in the program, click on the individual challenges and select the registration option. Once you've done this, you will see the challenge(s) appear under the heading

[NAME'S] Challenges.

- **What's the difference between the challenges?**
 - The 2021 Adult Summer Reading Challenge:
 - For this challenge, you will track and log your reading by pages read. Please note: you can ONLY log **pages**. You cannot log minutes or the number of whole books read.
 - After you've read a total of 500 pages, for every 250 pages you read thereafter you will win a special LFJCC prize! Information regarding prizes will be available on Beanstack once you've reached each 250 pages-read milestone after the initial 500 pages.
 - In addition to physical prizes, when you reach each 250 pages-read milestone, you will earn virtual badges. While there is not a specific value to these badges, collecting them is a fun way to engage in the program. Try to collect them all!
 - Once you have reached 2500 pages read, you have completed this challenge. You can only complete this challenge once, but keep reading and check out our 10 to Try Reading challenge!
 - 10 to Try Reading Challenge:
 - This challenge asks you to read a book in each of the 10 categories (the Jewish Book Council's virtual reading lists). The links to these reading lists are included in the challenge's badges.
 - Once you have read a book from a category, you must include the title of the book in the text box where it says **Add a Response** in order to earn your virtual badge and virtual raffle tickets. If you attempt to select the box indicating you've completed the activity, without putting a response in the text box, you will receive an error message that reads: "**Oops! You forgot to answer the question.**" Once you've written the book's title in the text box, you can select the box, click **Save** and move on to the next activity in the challenge.
 - Each completed activity earns you two (2) virtual raffle tickets, so you can earn a total of 22 raffle tickets (this includes two tickets for each of the 10 reading activities plus two tickets for completing the entire 10 to Try Reading Challenge).
 - With virtual tickets, participants can enter drawings for "big-ticket" items. Winners of these items will be announced after September 21 when the program ends.

- Please note: unlike the 2021 Adult Summer Reading Challenge, you do not win prizes along the way and only receive virtual tickets to enter into the drawing. However, like the Adult Summer Reading Challenge, you will win virtual badges for completing each activity.

- **Can I participate in each of the challenges simultaneously?**

- YES! Because these challenges are structured differently, we welcome you to register for both.

- **When and where can I pick up the prizes I won through the 2021 Adult Summer Reading Challenge?**

- Prize pick-up will be available throughout the summer, every Friday for the duration of the program. Pick-up will happen at our Guest Services Desk. The Guest Services desk is open 6:00am to 6:00pm on Fridays. If you are a participant who is outside of San Diego county we will coordinate with you to receive your prizes.
- When coming to the JCC for the first time, **please complete the COVID-19 Waiver for Visitors [HERE](#)**. Masks are required over your mouth and nose in common areas of the facility regardless of vaccination status. Please use extra caution where children are present. Persons who are not vaccinated are required to wear masks at the JCC indoors.

- **Is there a Beanstack app?**

- Yes! It can be found under the name **Beanstack Tracker**. The app is available on both iOS and Android and can be downloaded from the iTunes Store and the Google Play Store.