

25 fun book-based tasks for ages 7–11

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These 25 exciting challenges will kick-start your creativity ready for the BBC 500 Words competition!

1 Book club.

Start your own club with your friends or family. Everyone reads the same book and then get together to discuss it.



2 Reading wish list.

Make a list of all the books you'd like to read in the future.



3 Crafty character.

Decorate an item to look like a book character. You could choose a stone, a wooden spoon or something else!



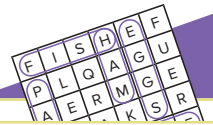
4 Comic creations.

Turn your favourite book into a comic strip. Stories don't always have to be about words!



5 Puzzle time.

Read a new book, then create a word search or crossword puzzle using words based on the story.



6 Challenge yourself.

Take part in The Summer Reading Challenge. You can join in either at your local library or online!

THE READING AGENCY Summer Reading Challenge

7 A word of advice.

What advice would you give to your favourite book character? How could you help them?

8 Go global.

Read a book about a different country and share with others what you learned about that country.

9 Lovely letters.

Write a letter to thank the author of your favourite book. What will you tell them?



10 Book journal.

Write down your thoughts about each book you read. What did you like or dislike?

11 Cover story.

Design a new cover for your favourite book. What will you change?



12 Wanted!

Make a wanted poster for the villain in your favourite book. Will you offer as a reward?



13 Illustrate it.

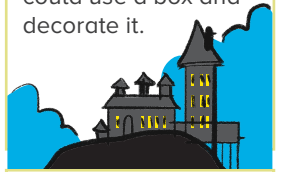
Find a paragraph you love from your favourite book and draw a picture to illustrate what's happening.

14 Author studies.

Choose an author to research and learn about, then give some of their books a read!

15 Model maker.

Can you make a model of a famous book setting? You could use a box and decorate it.

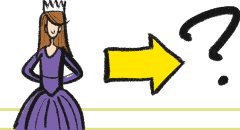


16 Amazing animals.

Read a book with an animal as the main character. If you wrote a story about an animal, which kind would you choose?

17 Fashion fun.

Design a new outfit for your favourite character. How will it differ from the original?



18 Read-a-thon.

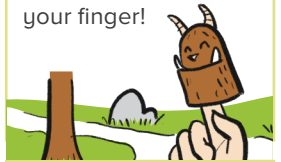
Organise a read-a-thon where you read for a set amount of time and raise money for a charity.

19 Book quiz.

Create a quiz based on a well known book, then challenge your friends or family to answer all the questions.

20 Puppet power.

Make a puppet of a book character. You could use a sock, a paper bag or even your finger!



21 Word collecting.

As you read, write down any words you really like on a piece of paper and place them in jar or box. Use these when you do your own writing.

22 Book interviews.

Interview someone about their favourite book. Write down the questions you will ask them.



23 Story mash-up!

Write a new story that mixes together your favourite characters and settings from different books.

24 Get crafty.

Make a mask of your favourite book character. You could use a paper plate, some cardboard or something else.

25 CBBC inspiration.

Create a booklet about your favourite CBBC character. What can you find out about them?

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