

# Summer Reading Tails & Tales



**ACTIVITY BADGE:**  
Reading Outside the Box!  
(Teens / Adults, ages 13+)

Complete **at least ONE of the following activities** to earn this activity badge!  
Completing this badge will earn you 5 more tickets for our raffle. You may complete more than two activities, though you cannot earn more tickets under this badge.  
*These books can also count toward your book logging goals!*

- Activity 1:** Read a book that was published in 2021
- Activity 2:** Read a book based on a true story
- Activity 3:** Read a book recommended by a librarian
- Activity 4:** Read a book in a genre you don't normally read
- Activity 5:** Read a book written before you were born
- Activity 6:** Read an e-book (using Hoopla or Libby)  
Access library e-resources at <http://elibrary.einetwork.net/>
- Activity 7:** Read a book less than 200 pages in length
- Activity 8:** Read a book that has fewer than 1,000 reviews on Amazon on Goodreads
- Activity 9:** Read a book about a subject you are passionate about
- Activity 10:** Read a book by a Pittsburgh author  
Find one here: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Category:Writers\\_from\\_Pittsburgh](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Category:Writers_from_Pittsburgh)

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**ACTIVITY BADGE:**  
Get Out & Explore Nature!  
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**Activity 1:** Read a book outside for 30 minutes

**Activity 2:** Go geocaching

**Learn about geocaching:**

<https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/Recreation/WhatToDo/Geocaching/Pages/default.aspx>

**Activity 3:** Catch a lightning bug

**Activity 4:** Go bird-watching

**Activity 5:** Plant a flower, herb, or vegetable

**Activity 6:** Have a picnic outside

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## ACTIVITY BADGE:

Moving & Grooving!

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**Activity 1:** Do a line dance with a family member! For example, the Cha Cha Slide or the Macarena. OR, learn a viral TikTok dance!

**Activity 2:** Watch a virtual concert

**Activity 3:** Stretch, exercise, or do yoga for at least 30 minutes

**Activity 4:** Make a music playlist to share with a friend

**Activity 5:** Take a walk around your neighborhood and look for: 1) something red, 2) a fence, 3) a yard sign, 4) a license plate with a P, and 5) a package.

**Activity 6:** Discover a new musical artist you've never listened to before

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## ACTIVITY BADGE:

Spark Your Creativity!  
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**Activity 1:** Make a collage out of paper scraps and things cut out of magazines

**Activity 2:** Draw or make something to send to a friend or relative

**Activity 3:** Check out Creativebug, which you can access with your library card! Take a class on there or try out a project you find.

**Log in to Creativebug:** <https://www.creativebug.com/lib/aclalibraries>

**Activity 4:** Try a new art form you've never tried before

**Activity 5:** Draw or paint a self-portrait

**Activity 6:** Write a poem

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**Activity 1:** Pet/play with an animal

**Activity 2:** Donate pet food or toys to a local animal shelter. (Be sure to check with the shelter first to see what they need and are able to take!)

**Activity 3:** Visit the Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium (Or, check out some of the Zoo's webcams for an at-home visit!)

**Zoo Webcams:** <https://www.pittsburghzoo.org/bringing-the-zoo-to-you/>

**Activity 4:** Feed the birds that live near you  
**Read about what foods you should and should NOT feed wildlife here (you may be surprised!):**

<https://www.humanesociety.org/resources/feeding-your-backyard-birds>

**Activity 5:** Visit the National Aviary

**Activity 6:** Make a toy for your pet

**How to make pet toys:**

<https://www.doinggoodtogether.org/bhf/create-pet-toys>

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## ACTIVITY BADGE:

Let's Do Some Science!  
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**Activity 1:** Conduct some food science in the kitchen -- make a recipe you've never made before

**Activity 2:** Visit the Carnegie Science Center or the Carnegie Museum of Natural History

**Activity 3:** Choose your own experiment to conduct

**Here's some ideas to get you started:**

[www.sciencefun.org/kidszone/experiments/](http://www.sciencefun.org/kidszone/experiments/)

**Activity 4:** Stargaze! Look for different constellations in the sky!

**Activity 5:** Make ice cream in a bag  
<https://www.thebestideasforkids.com/ice-cream-in-a-bag/>

**Activity 6:** Read a scientific non-fiction book