

# PLANT A SEED, READ

## 2026 LIBRARY CHALLENGE

### TEENS

#### How It Works:

For each activity you do, draw a flower or leaf on the bare stem.

Activities can be repeated.

10 illustrations = 1 prize entry

15 illustrations = 2 prize entries

20+ illustrations = 3 prize entries

Once you've finished your log, turn it in at the Youth Services Desk to earn a free book, a Godfather's personal pizza, and be entered to win a **GRAND PRIZE!**

Logs must be turned in by July 10th!



#### Choose Your Activities!

- 1. Starter Seeds:** Check out an item from the Mason City Public Library
- 2. Digging in the Dirt:** Dig in the dirt or dig up a book to read from your TBR pile (To Be Read)
- 3. Botanist:** Identify 5 different plants or trees in your neighborhood
- 4. Planted Ideas:** Read a book that was recommended to you
- 5. Sprouting User:** Come to an event, do a craft station, or do a Take-n-Make project at the library
- 6. Germinate:** Read for 30 minutes
- 7. Spruce Things Up:** Clean up around your yard or somewhere outside that needs it
- 8. Green Thumb:** Read a book with either a green cover or has a plant/flower on the cover
- 9. Community Garden:** Do something nice for your community
- 10. Photosynthesis:** Go for a walk or read underneath a tree, in a garden, or somewhere outside
- 11. GROW:** Read for 30 minutes
- 12. Oak Tree:** Read a classic that has stood the test of time like an old oak tree
- 13. Blooming Buds:** Start a conversation with a new person (animals are okay too)
- 14. Wildflower:** Read a banned, challenged, or controversial book
- 15. Branching Out:** Branch out and read a genre you usually don't read

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Prize Number: \_\_\_\_\_

# TEEN SUMMER EVENTS

## WEEK ONE

**MAY 26TH - 30TH: SUMMER LIBRARY CHALLENGE BEGINS!**

Scavenger Hunt: All ages!

All Week Table Craft: Kindness Rocks. Ages 9-18



## WEEK TWO

**JUNE 2ND: GARDEN IN A JAR! 1 - 2:30 PM**

Join the Youth Services Librarians as we make our very own Garden in a Jar! Ages 12-18

Take N' Make: Sun Print Paper. Ages 9-18



## WEEK THREE

**JUNE 10TH: INCREDIBLE BATS! 10 AM & 1 PM**

Join Kim White as she tells us about these fascinating and important creatures and meet some of her bat friends! Ages 5+

All Week Table Craft: DIY Plant Pens. Ages 9-18



## WEEK FOUR

**JUNE 16TH: LEAVE NO TRACE BY LIME CREEK! 2 - 3 PM**

A lesson from our friends at Lime Creek about making choices that tread lightly on the land. Ages 9-18

All Week Table Craft: DIY Garden Flags. Ages 9-18



## WEEK FIVE

**JUNE 23RD: SUMMERWEEN PARTY! 1 - 2:30 PM**

Come celebrate Summerween! Spooky crafts, snacks, vibes. Costumes encouraged! Ages 12-18

All Week Table Craft: DIY Garden Tags. Ages 9-18



## WEEK SIX

**JUNE 30TH: DIY EMOTIONAL SUPPORT CHICKENS! 1 - 2:30 PM**

Join our teen librarians as we each make our own felt feathered friend! Ages 12-18

All Week Table Craft: Kindness Rocks. Part 2. Ages 9-18



## WEEK SEVEN

**JULY 9TH: DIY PIZZA PARTY! 1 - 3 PM**

Join the Youth Services Librarians as we make our very own pizza to enjoy! Ages 12-18

Closing Scavenger Hunt: All ages!



## PRIZES

1



Art Bundle

2



Outdoors Bundle

3



Movie Bundle

4



Reading Bundle

5



Self-Care Bundle