



Ultimate Book Nerd 2025

Read 50 books in 2025 to claim the title of Ultimate Book Nerd! This title comes with bragging rights and swag to let the world know you are the best of the book nerds.

From January 1 – December 31,
read 50 books from the
50 categories listed.

Fifth
Anniversary
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GUIDELINES

- Read 50 books
- One book per category
- Graphic novels, audiobooks, and digital all count
- UBN is for ages 13 and up
- For book nerds ages 12 and under read at least 30 books from this list
- Must have a Boise Public Library card to earn swag

FINISHED THE CHALLENGE?

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2025 Challenge Categories

- Read a book that celebrates your freedom to read
- Read a book based on the spine
- Read a book from NPR : Books We Love
- Read a book that has won or has been a finalist in The WILLA Literary Award – Women Writing the West
- Reread a favorite book
- Read a fanfiction
- Read a teen graphic novel
- Read a book by an author with a podcast
- Read a book about drag, burlesque, or other performance artistry
- Read a book about books
- Read a non-fiction book about the human body
- Read a Caldecott winner
- Read a book about pirates
- Read a book where the cover has characters walking away
- Read a book set in medieval times
- Read a book from a challenge category from a previous UBN challenge
- Read a book without reading the blurb
- Read a romantasy
- Read a book from/about North America
- Read a book from/about South America
- Read a book from/about Asia
- Read a book from/about Europe
- Read a book from/about Australia
- Read a book from/about Africa
- Read a book from/about Antarctica
- Read a book with Earth in the title
- Read a behind the scenes memoir/biography
- Read a historical mystery
- Read a book in the 910-919s of the Dewey Decimal System
- Read a science fiction set in the future
- Read a book your favorite author has talked about
- Read a book about the history of news
- Read a book published 10 years before you were born
- Read a novella
- Read a legal or courtroom thriller
- Read a book you wish was taught in school
- Read a book about gardening
- Read a book by an author featured in the Boise Book Faire flyers
- Read a book written by/about someone in a political party that is not your own
- Listen to a book with a BIPOC narrator
- Read a book told in flashbacks
- Read a book set in a school setting
- Read a book written by a ghost writer
- Read a book about your heritage
- Read a book recommended through Personalized Picks
- Read a book retold from a different character's point of view
- Read a cookbook featuring food from a country you want to visit
- Read a book rated 3 stars or less
- Read a children's book you missed the first time around
- Read a book recommended by a library staff member



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