



# READING CHALLENGE

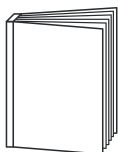
Celebrate America's 250th anniversary through the lens of the Kansas 250 Bookshelf from the State Library of Kansas. This challenge is flexible, self-paced, and open year-round—you can begin at any point during the year. Read what interests you, try something new, and track your progress through this log.

**Check off or color in the book that corresponds with the monthly challenge as you complete them! View the books from the Kansas 250 Bookshelf here: [library.ks.gov/KS250](http://library.ks.gov/KS250) OR check out our library's expanded curated list [bit.ly/4sQOs2Q](http://bit.ly/4sQOs2Q)**



**January Explorer**  
The Road to Statehood

Title: \_\_\_\_\_



**May Explorer**  
Youth Literature &  
Native Stories

Title: \_\_\_\_\_



**September Seeker**  
Agriculture & Rural Life

Title: \_\_\_\_\_



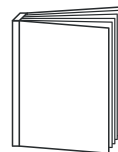
**February Discoverer**  
Love Your Community  
& Black History  
Month

Title: \_\_\_\_\_



**June Historian**  
Kansas & U.S. History

Title: \_\_\_\_\_



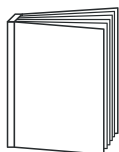
**October Observer**  
Horror, Murder,  
Suspense, and Ghost  
Stories

Title: \_\_\_\_\_



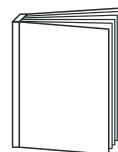
**March Pathfinder**  
Poetry & Women's  
History

Title: \_\_\_\_\_



**July Voyager**  
Food & Cookbooks

Title: \_\_\_\_\_



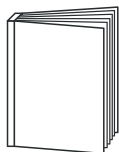
**November Learner**  
Per Aspera- Rising Above  
Hardships

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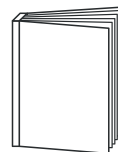
**April Adventurer**  
Nature & Outdoors

Title: \_\_\_\_\_



**August Investigator**  
Spotlight on Kansans  
and Local Authors

Title: \_\_\_\_\_



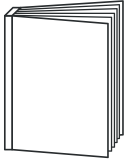
**December Champion**  
Great Reads & Hidden  
Gems

Title: \_\_\_\_\_



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In addition to the statewide monthly themes from the Kansas 250 Bookshelf, Manhattan Public Library has included optional themed milestones to encourage exploration across genres and formats. You may complete the monthly themes, the themed milestones below, or any combination of both.

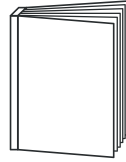


## Kansas Storyteller

Read a book by a Kansas Author

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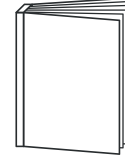


## Notable Reader

Read a book from a Kansas Notable Author

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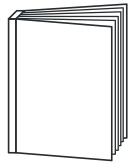


## Child at Heart

Read a Children's or Young Adult Book

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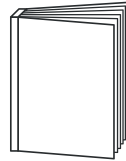


## Historical Eye

Read a book about a historical event, Kansas or U.S. History.

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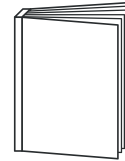


## Nature Explorer

Read a book about the outdoors, wildlife, or farming

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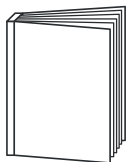


## Community Lens

Read a book about local communities, civic life, or small towns

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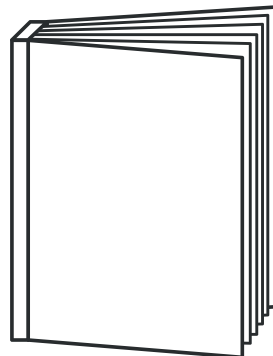


## Across the Heartland

Read a book set in a different region of Kansas or the U.S.

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Favorite Overall Read

Now take a moment to reflect on your favorite book you have read through this challenge.

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Why is it your favorite?:**

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