



2020  
**Global  
Reading  
Challenge!**

**Dear Families,**

It's time for Global Reading Challenge! Every year, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders from Seattle Public Schools participate in this fun team reading challenge presented by The Seattle Public Library.

**This program:**

- Promotes a love of reading
- Introduces kids to multicultural viewpoints
- Helps kids retain more of what they read
- Fosters group activities and teamwork

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### **What is Global Reading Challenge?**

This citywide program is a collaborative effort between The Seattle Public Library and Seattle Public Schools. Students form teams of 7 and read 10 books, then take part in a trivia competition, answering questions about the books. The competition determines the winning team for the City of Seattle.

### **What is the commitment for students?**

Participating students will be assigned to a team of up to 7, with varying reading abilities. The team decides if they will all read every book, or become experts on one or two titles. The team members come together to create an effective strategy for competition. It is important not to drop out, because your team needs you. Most of the reading will need to be done outside of school hours.

### **What is the timeline?**

Challenge starts November 1. Teams compete in their schools Jan 27 – Feb 14 (exact date to come). Advancing teams compete against other schools at the semifinals in early March (exact date to come). The City Final will be on March 24, 2020 at the Downtown library.

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\_\_\_\_\_ has my permission to Join Global Reading Challenge

**Teacher name or Room number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student's signature acknowledging commitment:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent or Guardian's printed name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent or Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent or Guardian Email (for updates) :** \_\_\_\_\_