



# EVOLUTION OF GROWING READERS

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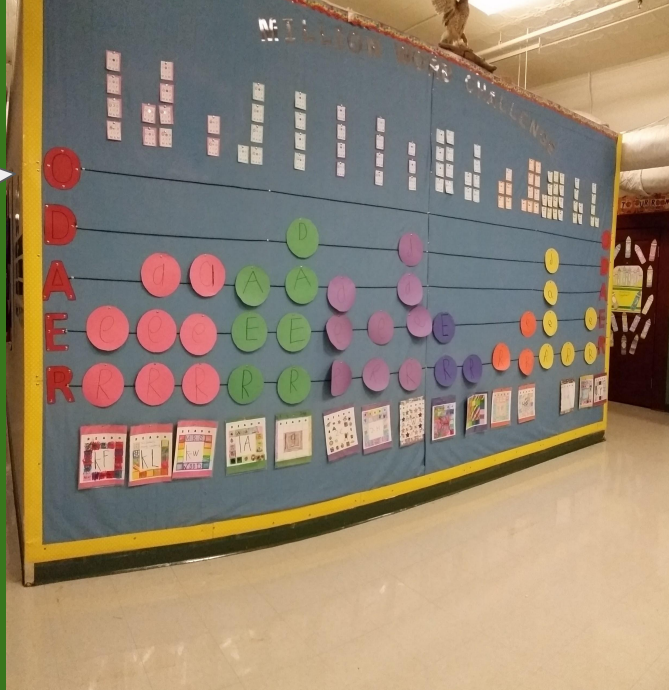
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At Hallsville  
2015-16,  
2016-17, &  
2017-18

What  
we had  
tried!



**READO**

**MILLION  
WORD  
CHALLENGE**



*FREE Printable*

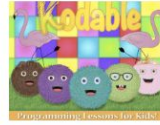
**MONTHLY  
READING LOGS**

I believe in giving students choices in their learning!

Google Apps



Coding Resources



Typing Resources



Access Code:  
red panda

Other Resources



[library order game](#)

Typing Game Resources



project links

[Online Alphabet Organizer](#)

[Cube Creator](#)



misc resources

[ATN Reading Lists](#)

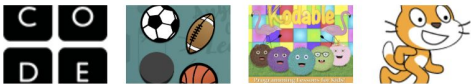


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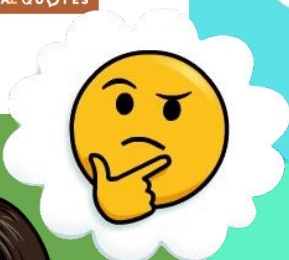


Choose any link from the website while you wait to pick library books...

Can we play Prodigy?

That's a Math practice game. Wouldn't you rather do something from the website?

NO! We love to play Prodigy - we get to level up and earn XP



Too bad I couldn't get them to read with that excitement.



CLAP CLAP CLAP

*Points and leveling up ... that gives me an idea!*



# READy Player One

Launched at Hallsville  
Elementary School on January  
29, 2019

## Hallsville Stats

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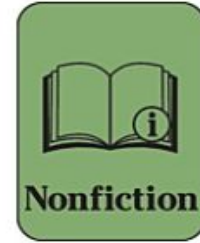
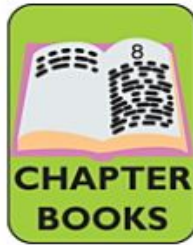
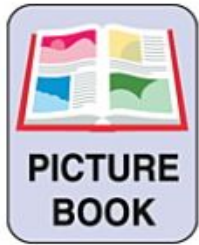
K-5

278  
Students

13  
Classrooms

My 4th year

## 7 standard missions to choose from



Challenge missions are always available too!

## Mission: Picture Books

Level	Task
1	read 3 picture books and 1 wordless picture book
2	read 6 picture books and 2 wordless picture books
3	read 9 picture books (may include wordless picture books)
4	read 12 picture books (may include wordless picture books)

# Mission: Book Talks

Level	Task
1	create 1 book talk or video book advertisement
2	create 2 book talks or video book advertisements
3	create 3 book talks or video book advertisements
4	create 4 book talks or video book advertisements



## Mission: Chapter Books

Level	Task
1	read 2 chapter books under 100 pages each or 1 over 100 pages
2	read 4 chapter books under 100 pages each or 2 over 100 pages
3	read 6 chapter books under 100 pages each or 3 over 100 pages
	read 8 chapter books under 100 pages each or 4

# Mission: Graphic Novels

Level	Task
1	read 1 book from graphic novel section of library
2	read 3 books from graphic novel section of library
3	read 6 books from graphic novel section of library
4	read 10 books from graphic novel section of library

# Mission: Informational Books

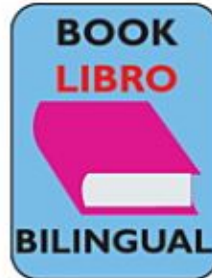
Level	Task
1	read 2 informational texts of under 100 pages each or 1 over 100 pages
2	read 4 informational texts of under 100 pages each or 2 over 100 pages
3	read 6 informational texts of under 100 pages each or 3 over 100 pages
4	read 8 informational texts of under 100 pages each or 4 over 100 pages

# Mission: Design Your Own Mission

Don't see a mission you want to tackle? Design your own with the help of Mrs. Damon and/or Ms. Dion. Mashup parts of other missions or create something entirely different. What are you itching to read? Help us help you scratch that reader's itch! More effort is expected as levels increase

Mentors include: Mrs. Damon and Miss Dion - but any school staff who is willing to can help you and be approved as your mentor.

# Challenge missions you may choose to do:



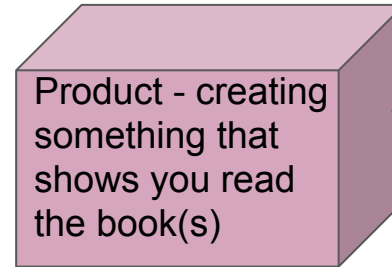
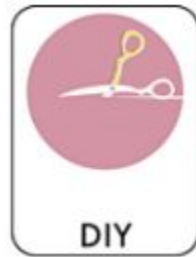
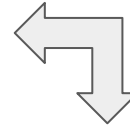
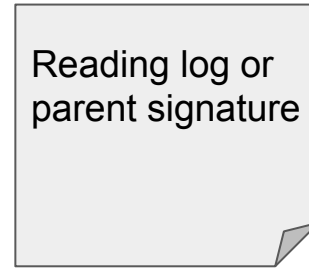
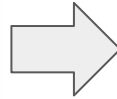
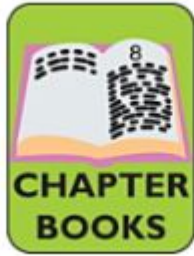
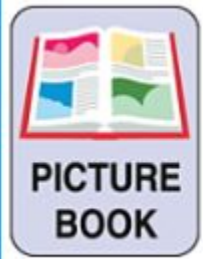
# Challenge Mission Details

Code	Title	Task
ABC	Alphabet	Read 26 books with each representing an alphabet letter based on the title.
COL	Colors	Read books that have a color in the title - 7 different colors (rainbow or your choice paint palette)
HOL	Holidays	Read 10 books about one holiday or 1 book each about 10 different holidays.
LIST	Reading List	Read 5 books from one of our school's resource lists (ex: ladybug books, award-winners, classics)
MUCU	Multicultural	Read 5 picture books or 2 chapter books from our school's resource list of diversity books
HIST	Time Warp	Read 5 books from a resource list based on a particular time period
MCL	Public Library	With library card in hand, borrow and read a couple books or attend an event at Manchester City Library.
EBK	Ebooks	Read 3 electronic books of your choice.
GNR	Genre	Read 10 books, 1 for each specified genre
LANG	Languages	3 ways to complete this - read a book written entirely in another language, read 2 books that include non-English words, or learn 20 words in another language through language dictionaries or written notes

# Challenge Missions

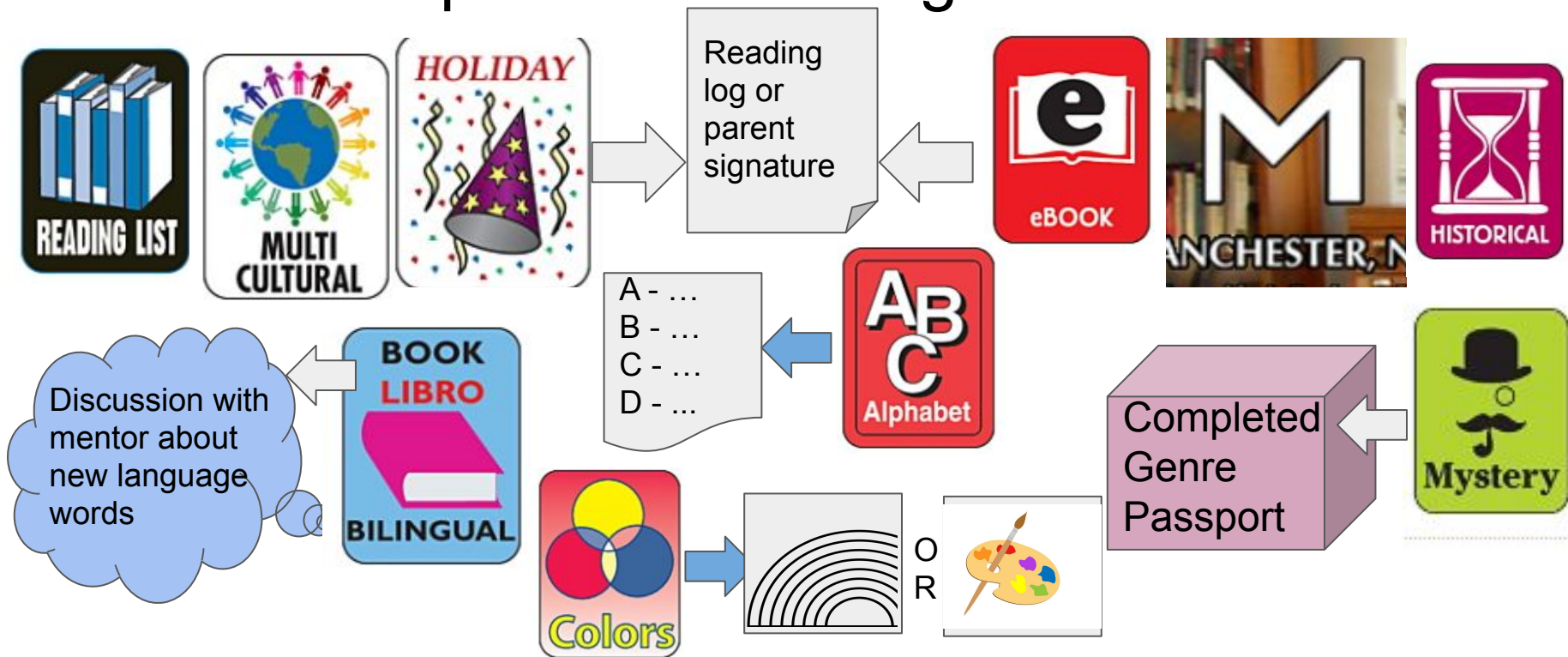
Challenge missions may be completed as many times as the student wants. Each completion will earn an additional star on their challenge completion badge on the tracking board.

# How do you show us you've completed a mission level?





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**READY player one?**  
Take your reading game to the next level - complete missions and earn badges

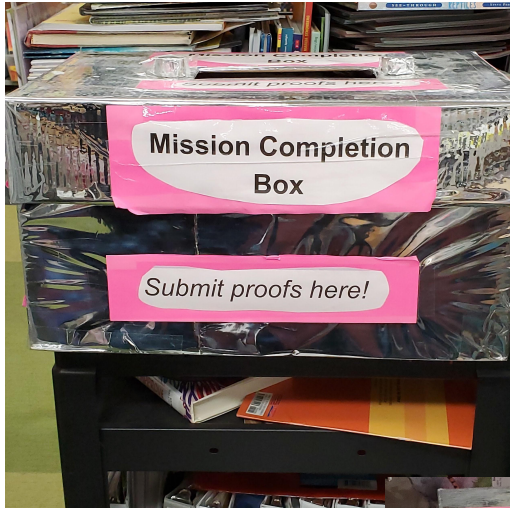
**MISSIONS LIST**

	PB	BT	CB	GN	NF	DIY
<b>LEVELS</b>						
<b>1</b>						
<b>2</b>	<i>Level 2 is LOCKED until 60 people finish level 1 missions. Feel free to complete other missions or work on Challenge missions in the meantime. Encourage your friends and classmates to work on their own level 1 missions.</i>					
<b>3</b>						
<b>4</b>						

*Challenge Missions More Information Coming Soon*

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Book Talks



"You are being transferred to Beech Street Elementary School for next year!"

SOME OF  
LIFE'S BEST  
MOMENTS  
BEGIN AS  
PLOT TWISTS.

## Beech St Stats

Title I w/  
ELL Magnets

K-5

532 Students

27  
Classrooms

My 1st year

# READy Player One Morphs into Grow a Beech (Reader)

Introduc  
Elem  
No



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As you complete reading missions/challenges, you earn experience points (XP). XP determines your level on the “Grow a Beech” scale

# “Grow a Beech” Scale

Potential  
Beech  
0-49 XP

Cupule - 50 XP



Seed - 150 XP



Sapling - 1500 XP



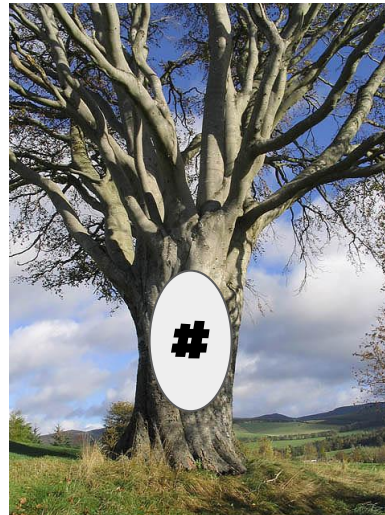
Seedling - 850 XP



Sprout - 400 XP



Young tree - 3250 XP



Mature tree L8	75000
Mature tree L7	42750
Mature tree L6	30000
Mature tree L5	22550
Mature tree L4	17500
Mature tree L3	13750
Mature tree L2	10000
Mature tree L1	5750

# Tracking

- My all school tracking spreadsheet
  - [model Grow a Beech \(Reader\) all students tracking](#)
- Individual tracking by student number
  - [master - individual tracking sheet](#)
- Forms grabber
  - [demo - forms - grow a beech - individual tracking](#)
- Master file of digital forms
  - [Student Import files - grow a beech - individual tracking](#)
- Reviewing results of GAB relay with classes to establish understanding of missions
  - [https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/19qaPMRXMAgLF3RpPeos37e6T4izO\\_hZp0BG\\_eLIBgml/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/19qaPMRXMAgLF3RpPeos37e6T4izO_hZp0BG_eLIBgml/edit?usp=sharing)

MISSIONS



GN

- Level Task
- read 1 book from graphic novel section of library
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BT

- Level Task
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PB

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CB

- Level Task
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  - read 6 chapter books under 100 pages each or 3 over 100 pages
  - read 8 chapter books under 100 pages each or 4 over 100 pages



NF

- Level Task
- read 2 informational texts of under 100 pages each or 1 over 100 pages
  - read 4 informational texts of under 100 pages each or 2 over 100 pages
  - read 6 informational texts of under 100 pages each or 3 over 100 pages
  - read 8 informational texts of under 100 pages each or 4 over 100 pages



CC Concepts

- Level Task
- read 4 books: 1 about ABCs, 1 about numbers/counting, 1 about colors, and 1 about shapes
  - read 8 books: 2 about ABCs, 2 about numbers/counting, 2 about colors, and 2 about shapes
  - read 12 books: 3 about ABCs, 3 about numbers/counting, 3 about colors, and 3 about shapes
  - read 16 books: 4 about ABCs, 4 about numbers/counting, 4 about colors, and 4 about shapes



HOL

Read 10 books about one holiday or a book each about different holidays (Can be fiction or nonfiction)



EBK

Read 3 electronic books of your choice



ABC

Read a book that starts with each letter of the alphabet (26 books)



MUCU

read 5 picture books from the picture or 2 chapter diversity books source list of



MCL

present your library card and enter a reading log of at least 2 books read that were borrowed from the Manchester City Library or proof of attendance at an event at the Manchester City Library (either search)



HIST

Read 5 books from a resource list related to a particular historical time period (ex: WWII, Ancient Greece, Civil War, Am. Rev.)



COL

Read a book that includes a different color in the title (7 books - rainbow colors or paint palette)

GNR

read a book for each genre and get the provided passport stamped | Genres to be read include: mystery, science fiction, realistic fiction, biography, fantasy, historical fiction, humor, nonfiction, graphic novel, fables, fairy tales, myths, tall tales, legends, poetry, autobiography for a minimum of 16 stories.



LIST

read 5 books if one of the reading lists available in the library from Ms. Damon



LANG

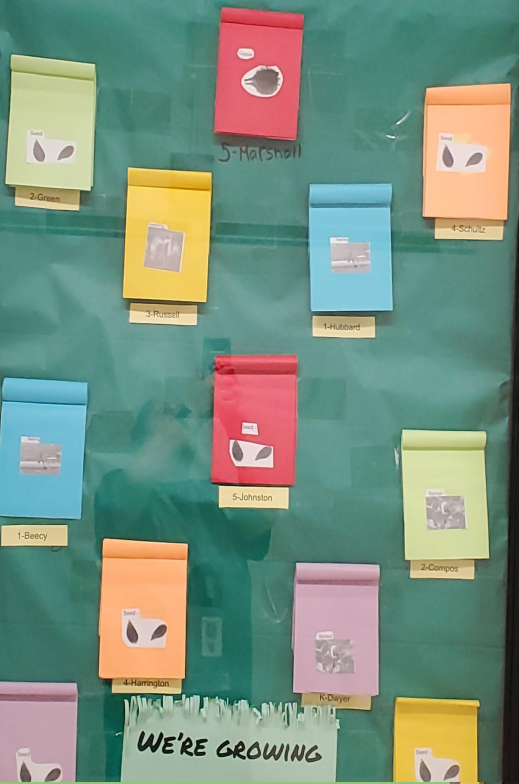
read a book written completely in another language or 2 books that have words included from another language or study a language dictionary to learn 20 words in a different language



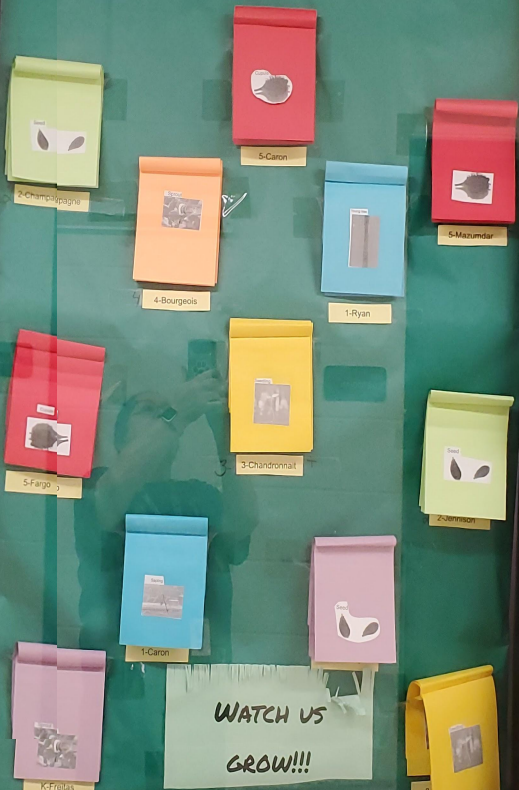


# Our Growing Forest of Classroom and Grade Level "Trees"

WATCH OUR CLASSES GROWING



INTO A MASSIVE FOREST OF READERS



BEECH'S GRADE LEVEL FOREST



# GAB Relay Activity

- Groups will send 1 person to get a book from their bin on the stage stairs.
- Return to table and group will decide what kind of book it is
  - Picture book
  - Wordless picture book
  - Informational
  - Graphic Novel/Comic
  - Chapter Book
  - Concept Book
- Person who got the book will take the post-it from the front of the book and place it on the correct place on the corresponding chart paper.
- Once person returns to group, the next person in the group will get a book from their bin and the process repeats until time is called or all 20 books are placed.



# Enhancements

- Trying to jumpstart their recording based solely on books they've borrowed and returned to the library this year
  - [gab - manual tracking - generic](#)
- Created a question bank in Google Sheets that I downloaded as csv and then uploaded into Canva's bulk create to make Quiz-Quiz-Trade cards for program review
  - [gqt - gab](#)
  - [canva template](#)
- Model for buk create (before they did bulk create)
  - [https://www.canva.com/design/DAFDBP5dEYo/Kgostvbkg4Ti40HT\\_MJF4g/edit?utm\\_content=DAFDBP5dEYo&utm\\_campaign=designshare&utm\\_medium=link2&utm\\_source=sharebutton](https://www.canva.com/design/DAFDBP5dEYo/Kgostvbkg4Ti40HT_MJF4g/edit?utm_content=DAFDBP5dEYo&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link2&utm_source=sharebutton)
- Choose your own reading adventure - WIP
  - [How can I record my reading to earn XP?](#)
- Digital marshmallows
  - [grow a beech - individual tracking - picture book marshmallows](#)
- Helping K-2 track our library class read alouds modeling how GAB works for their reading
  - <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1VyrTefTnxkxBcuTAvp-TV0sWYsB5L-BZ91KTI7Q1kwY/edit?usp=sharing>
- Noticings activity
  - <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1x08SnkoM8b7OpZ50UhgsnWygCENgmjFzYSLaO8yt9As/edit?usp=sharing>

# Tracking certificates

- <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1j0JBiExnz4Nx3zx70cjiVWLWBhwoDJcz2PZdCb0RdMs/edit?usp=sharing>
- Gab leaders slideshow
  - <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1dBrluSYYsVhULNzDnwXQgP4HoLfiRjggFPcnQd0niWU/edit?usp=sharing>
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- Another sorting activity - where do these go without getting up - provide bin of books and level 1 forms for all types
  - [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1LDyrRlFMns601wGtThm-rsQw-0SMS\\_Cg/edit?usp=sharing&oid=107065405533733266472&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1LDyrRlFMns601wGtThm-rsQw-0SMS_Cg/edit?usp=sharing&oid=107065405533733266472&rtpof=true&sd=true)
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- Different carousel activity - what do these all have in common
  - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1UtrOCyWCbt7LOhzhLNgEO2vHYOMqbkWMInLeJonyw6U/edit?usp=sharing>
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- At home tracking guide
  - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1wWSZb2Yuyn1sgybNUVwUiSxDacAd8BX6F9xyy1XSyZ4/edit?usp=sharing>
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# THE HIGHER YOU GO THE MORE YOU GROW!

Grow a Beech Level	Prize	
Mature tree L8	Mystery Prize	
Mature tree L7	Special book	
Mature tree L6	Can never have enough Pride!	
Mature tree L5	New Book	
Mature tree L4	Bobby Bookmark	
Mature tree L3	Pride keeps growing	
Mature tree L2	Special Bookmark	
Mature tree L1	Used book	
Young Tree	Used (library) book	
Sapling	Fun Eraser	
Seedling	Bookmark	
Sprout	More Pride	
Seed	Pencil	
Cupule	PRIDE	
Potential Beech	You can do this!!!	



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