

Reading Challenge is organised by the British Council Library, Colombo 03. Every year, thousands of children around the world take part in the Reading Challenge. It’s a programme designed to encourage children to start reading for pleasure and experience the different worlds hidden behind every book.

The children are presented a different theme every year. The theme for this year’s Reading Challenge is ‘Animal Agents’.

‘Animal Agents’ introduces readers to a variety of clever animals named Furry, Scaly and Slippery, specially trained to use their skills and natural instincts to unravel mysteries. Animal Agents is illustrated by the UK’s best-selling children’s illustrator Tony Ross (creator of the Little Princess books, illustrator of the Horrid Henry series by Francesca Simon, and of books by David Walliams and Claire Balding).

The challenge is simple

- Read 6 books within 6 weeks
- Take part in two workshops
- After completing the above, you will receive a gold medal and a certificate

Once you start

- Borrow two books for two weeks from the dedicated counter in the **Children’s Section**. Make sure to select two books from the “Animal Agents’ collection only.
- Keep yourself updated about the opening hours and times of the Library so that you can return and borrow ‘Animal Agents’ books on time.

Important

- The two books you borrow for ‘Animal Agents’ SHOULD be returned on or before the due date stamped on the label inside the book.
- If you are unable to complete both books within the given number of days, you may renew them online for two more weeks or request an extension made on or before the due date by e-mail: gayahna.gunawardena@britishcouncil.org
- If you decide to drop out of the reading challenge, you must return all the books borrowed and inform the Children’s Section staff. Please note that the registration fee will not be refunded.
- Read all the books so that they get the maximum benefit from the Reading Challenge.
- Make sure to check your e-mails and SMS regularly for updates.

Dates to Remember:

• Registrations	Tuesday 30 January – Saturday 10 February 2018
• Commencement of borrowing books	Saturday 10 February 2018
• Complete the Reading Challenge	Saturday 24 March 2018 <u>Please note that no grace period will be allowed to complete the challenge after this date.</u>
• Workshop 1 – Creative Writing Session	Saturday 10 March 2018
• Workshop 2 – Trivia Quiz based on compulsory books	Saturday 24 March 2018
• Presentation of medals and certificates to the participants who completed challenge successfully.	Saturday 07 April 2018

For more information please contact Gayahna, Thilini or Raja on (011) 4521 587/588.

Thank you for your interest in Reading Challenge!

Good Luck and Happy Reading!