

# Challenge Yourself in 2019

As you make your resolutions for the new year, why not set a resolution to read more, or expand your reading horizons with a fun reading challenge?

## Popsugar Reading Challenge

Link to challenge: <https://goo.gl/9e4S19>

Each year, Popsugar publishes a list of 50 reading categories—40 regular categories, plus 10 extra challenging categories—designed to expose people to new authors, genres, and titles.

### SOME OF THIS YEAR'S CATEGORIES:

- A book that takes place in a single day
- A book set in an abbey, cloister, or convent
- A book becoming a movie in 2019
- A book told from multiple points of view
- A book written by an Asian, African, or South American author
- A reread of a favorite book

## Book Riot's Read Harder Challenge

Link to challenge: <https://goo.gl/UF3M33>

The annual Book Riot Reading Harder Challenge helps readers expand their worldviews by reading books from diverse authors, genres, and formats

### SOME OF THIS YEAR'S CATEGORIES:

- A book by a journalist or about journalism
- A book by an author of color that's set in space
- A translated book written by a woman
- A humor book
- A book written in prison
- An epistolary novel or collection of letters

## I Spy Challenge

Link to challenge: <https://goo.gl/2Q8agd>

Just like the game "I Spy", the I Spy Challenge will test your ability to find & read books whose covers or titles match a particular description

### SOME OF THIS YEAR'S CATEGORIES:

- A book with a bicycle on the cover
- A book related to libraries or bookstores
- A book with a flower bouquet on the cover
- A book you bought at a library book sale
- A valentine-related book

**My Reading Resolution for 2019 is:**

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## While I Was Reading Challenge

Link to challenge: <https://ramonamead.com/?p=3858>

The While I Was Reading challenge is designed for readings who want a challenge with a bit of flexibility; there are only 12 categories, and they can be interpreted as loosely as you like

### SOME OF THIS YEAR'S CATEGORIES:

- A book recommended by someone you trust
- A book with your favorite animal on the cover
- A classic you've always meant to read
- A book with "how to" in the title
- A book set in a country you want to visit

## Cruisin thru the Cozies

Link to challenge: <https://goo.gl/AQWwhsM>

If you love reading cozy mysteries, this challenge is for you! There are two ways to participate in Crusin thru the Cozies: either read a specific number of cozy mysteries (10 is the minimum), or challenge yourself to read cozy mysteries from specific sub-genres

### SOME OF THIS YEAR'S CATEGORIES:

- Culinary cozies
- Animal cozies
- Cozy mysteries from outside the US
- Historical cozy mysteries
- Craft based cozy mystery

## Bookish Challenge

Link to challenge: <https://goo.gl/DvhgaN>

The Bookish Challenge has a total of 52 categories (one for each week of the year!) that are designed to help you make a dent in your To Be Read lists and piles

### SOME OF THIS YEAR'S CATEGORIES:

- A book you were given as a gift
- A book by an author you're thankful
- A book recommended by a librarian
- A book with a cover you hate (but a story you love)
- A book featuring a memorable cat

## Calendar of Crime Challenge

Link to challenge: <https://goo.gl/CbmkFw>

The Calendar of Crime Challenge is designed especially for mystery lovers! For each month in 2019, participants can choose from 9 categories related to the month (EX: reading a romantic mystery for February). In your birthday month, you can read any mystery book you want—even if it doesn't fit any of the categories!

### SOME OF THIS YEAR'S CATEGORIES:

- New Year's (January)
- School-related mystery (August)
- Pumpkins or other fall-related items on the cover (October)
- Easter-related mystery (April)
- Wedding items on the cover (June)