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# Tales & Trails

Summer Reading Program from the Missouri Botanical Garden

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Age and Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Home zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Grade you will be entering in the 2021–2022 school year)*

Get out, read, and explore! .....

**WHO:** Love nature? Love nature books? Love nature trails? Then Tales & Trails is for you!

**WHY:** Why not?

**HOW:** Grab your favorite nature books, dress for the weather, and head out to your favorite nature space. Complete at least six (6) Tales & Trails adventures, and document them in this reading log. For suggestions on books, check out Finn the Frog's favorites on the back cover.

**WHERE:** Whether it's your backyard or local park, nature can be found all around you. Pick a favorite spot or go on an adventure to find a new one.

**WHEN:** The 2021 Tales & Trails experience runs from **June 1–August 31**. Keep this log in a handy spot all summer to track your progress and adventures!

## Win a Tales & Trails Fun Pack!



Complete all of the Tales & Trails and bring this log to one of our three locations (BASED ON STAFFING AND REOPENING OF ALL SITES; redemption time extended due to closure unknowns). To redeem your prize at the Garden, please see Membership Services. You'll get lots of nature-inspired goodies, including admission tickets! One prize pack per participating child. Redeem by September 30, 2021. While supplies last. Redeemable same day.

 MISSOURI  
BOTANICAL  
GARDEN

 SOPHIA M. SACHS  
BUTTERFLY  
HOUSE

 SHAW  
NATURE  
RESERVE

# READING LOG

Record your reading adventures and share them on social media with the tag #MBGTalesandTrails!

## Tale & Trail #1

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Book: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes and nature sketches:

## Tale & Trail #2

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Book: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes and nature sketches:

## Tale & Trail #3

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Book: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes and nature sketches:

## Tale & Trail #4

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Book: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes and nature sketches:

**Tale & Trail #5**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Book: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes and nature sketches:

**Tale & Trail #6**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Book: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes and nature sketches:

*What is your favorite nature book and outdoor place?*

*Words matter. We want your opinion!*

Nature words are dropping out of our dictionaries and our everyday language. What nature words are your favorite and why? To learn about these dropped words, read *The Lost Words* by Robert MacFarlane and help bring these words back to life!

**EBOOK RESOURCES:**

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## FINN'S FAVORITES

Where to find them: ● EBSCOhost ● Libby (both St. Louis Public City Library and St. Louis County Library)

BOOK TITLE	AUTHOR	ACTIVITY	ONLINE	CITY OR COUNTY
<b>PreK–Kindergarten</b>				
<i>Give Bees a Chance</i>	Bethany Barton	Spend some time looking for bees, how many can you find?	●	county
<i>This Tree Counts</i>	Alison Formento	Look for a tree around your house or in your neighborhood, how many animals do you see using the tree?	●	both
<i>Maxwell Moose's Mountain Monster</i>	Barbara DeRubertis	Maxwell loved camping with his friends, draw a picture of what you and your friends love to do outdoors.	●	both
<b>Grades 1–2</b>				
<i>Butterflies Are Pretty...Gross</i>	Rosemary Mosco	How many butterflies can you find near your house or in your neighborhood?	●	city
<i>We Planted a Tree</i>	Diane Muldrow	Watch a tree through the seasons, how does it change?	●	county
<i>Hike</i>	Pete Oswald	Without using any words, create a book about something you love to do outdoors.	●	both
<b>Grades 3–5</b>				
<i>The Monarchs Are Missing: A Butterfly Mystery</i>	Rebecca E. Hirsch	Observe a prairie and sketch what you see.	●	both
<i>The Lorax</i>	Dr. Seuss	Walk around the Garden, and find trees from around the world.	●	both
<i>The Wisdom of Trees</i>	Lita Judge	Use natural materials in your neighborhood park to build something useful.	●	county
<b>For Families of All Ages</b>				
<i>Treecology: 30 Activities and Observations for Exploring the World of Trees and Forests</i>	Monica Russo, Kevin Bryon		●	both
<i>Birding Is My Favorite Video Game: Cartoons About the Natural World from Bird and Moon</i>	Rosemary Mosco		●	both
<i>The Outdoor Scientist</i>	Temple Grandin, Ph.D.		●	county

How did you find out about this program?  mobot.org  Library  School  Friend

Missouri Botanical Garden  Butterfly House  Shaw Nature Reserve  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Is this your first year participating?  Yes  No

Email address to receive a survey: \_\_\_\_\_

Family member signature: \_\_\_\_\_