

## Grab & Go Activities Continue

RML continues to offer Grab & Go Activities for kids and teens.

While in-library programs are suspended, children & teens can stop in anytime and pick up a Grab & Go activity to take home and create. Each activity is age-appropriate for skill and interest.

Grab & Go activities are available on a first-come, first-serve basis until gone. New activities are available on monthly the second Wednesday.



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## 2021 Adult Reading Challenge

"Reading Colors Your World" is the theme of RML's 2021 Adult Reading Challenge beginning January 1st and ending December 31st. RML challenges you to read something new or different this year!

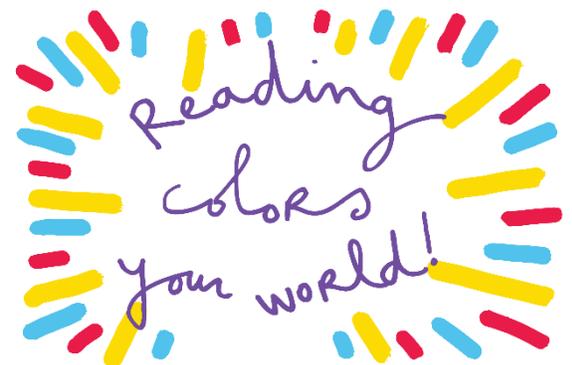
Receive a prize drawing entry for reading from one of each of twelve categories: Science; Short Story or Essay; Based on a true story; Hobby-themed; Set in another country; Graphic novel or Picture book; Book with a blue cover; Book that teaches you something; Humorous; Listen to an audiobook; Suspense; and Set in one of 49 states (NOT Iowa)!

Prizes given by random drawing after the challenge is complete on December 31, 2021. Prizes include: a Kindle/tablet, Waukon Bucks, and local business Gift Certificate bundle. Books must be read during the 2021 calendar year to be eligible for the drawing. Submit your entry form to the library or online throughout the year. Bonus entry given to participants who complete all twelve categories.

Special thanks to our prize sponsors:

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Thursday

Night

Book Club

Are you interested in discussing the books you read with other readers? Interested in meeting new people? Are you looking for a new author or genre to read but not quite ready to jump all in? Are you at a loss for what to read next? Join us for Thursday Night Book Club the third Thursday monthly at 6pm.

All are welcome! Book Club is currently meeting online. Please contact RML for participation information.

2021 Discussion Topics:

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|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| January 21:   | Humor                             |
| February 18:  | All Iowa Reads title              |
| March 18:     | With a blue cover                 |
| April 15:     | Nature                            |
| May 20:       | Published within 12 months        |
| June 17:      | Historical                        |
| July 15:      | From your bookshelf or bookstack  |
| August 19:    | Set in another country            |
| September 16: | Lady Clementine by Marie Benedict |
| October 21:   | Western                           |
| November 18:  | Bestseller                        |
| December 16:  | Short story or Novella            |



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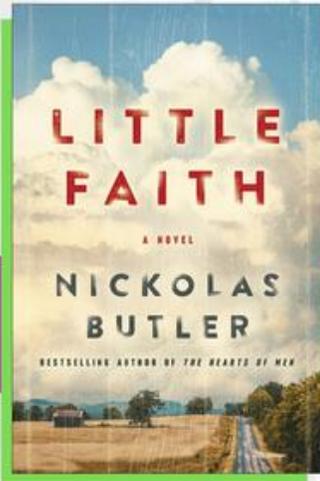
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# 2021 ALL IOWA READS

*LITTLE FAITH*  
by Nickolas Butler



Have you tried..?  
Services you may not know about!

## Interlibrary Loan

Can't find what you are looking for at RML? Try our interlibrary loan service. RML staff can request books, audiobooks and DVDs from a network of Iowa libraries.

Things to consider:

- There is \$1.00 charge per item request.
- Most of the items are delivered to our library in 7-14 days.
- Loan periods vary but you are able to keep most items at least 2 weeks—renewals may be available.
- Search the Iowa Locator (link available on our website).
- Request books by e-mail, phone, or in person.

## 2021 All Iowa Reads

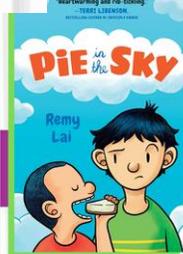
Established in 2003, the All Iowa Reads program is one of the first projects to be provided by the Iowa Center for the Book.

The purpose of All Iowa Reads is to foster a sense of unity through reading. We encourage Iowans statewide to come together in their communities to read and talk about a single book title in the same year.



# 2021 TEEN ALL IOWA READS

*PATRON SAINTS OF NOTHING*  
by Randy Ribay



# 2021 KIDS ALL IOWA READS

*PIE IN THE SKY*  
by Remy Lai



## This Month's Q&A RML Tips

**Q:** How can I rate and review a book or movie in the catalog?

**A:** To rate or review a title you have read, listened to, or watched:

- On our website ([www.waukon.lib.ia.us](http://www.waukon.lib.ia.us)) click on the Catalog link.
- Login→Username is you library card number; Password is your last name.
- Search for the title you want to rate and/or review.
- Select the title→Click on the

stars→Click on "Write Your Own Review!" link

- Select the number of star you rate the title, 1 through 5
- Write a review if desired.
- Click Submit
- Note: RML staff must approve the review before it appears in the catalog.



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## Coming Soon:

- World Read Aloud Day
- February Grab & Go
- Pinterest Projects to Go
- Thursday Night Book Club: All Iowa Reads

## January Events

- **Friday, January 1**  
Library closed—Happy New Year!
- **Tuesday, January 12, 4:30pm**  
Library Board of Trustees Meeting—ONLINE; contact RML for connection details.
- **Wednesday, January 13**  
Grab & Go activities available for kids and for teens.
- **Wednesday, January 20, 4pm**  
TAB {Teen Advisory Board} Meeting—ONLINE; teens contact RML to participate!
- **Thursday, January 21, 6pm**  
Thursday Night Book Club discussing a humor title—ONLINE; contact RML for connection details.



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