**School Libraries in Action**

**Reading Olympics – Booklet**

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Welcome to the <School Name> Reading Olympics. The aim is to allow students to choose books for class and recreational reading from a wide range of authors and themes. At the same time students will accumulate points towards medals. After the initial Opening Ceremony, events can be completed in any order. Individual books can only be counted in one event. Please keep your score on the sheet provided on page 8 in this booklet.

To have the points added to your total you will need to have the event signed by a teacher.

The library staff will provide you with lists of suggested books if you wish.

REFERENCE:
Competing in the Reading Olympics

**Individual events**
Individual points are earned for the individual events entered.

You can earn extra points by completing team events (as a team) or by entering special events once a fortnight.

**Team events**
This is a group of girls within your class. The team can have a maximum of FOUR members.

There are team events, and if your team completes the team events you all get the points to add to your individual score.

**Country**
This is your class competing against the other classes.

Your class will need to give your country a name.

YOUR NAME: __________________________________________

TEAM MEMBERS: ______________________________________

NAME OF YOUR COUNTRY: __________________________________

**Special Events**
These will be offered once a fortnight. If you complete these events you will earn extra points for your team.

You will need to check the library page on the portal for the ‘special events’. Once you have completed the activity you will need to see the teacher librarian to get collect your points.

**Medals**
The points you earn through reading will earn you medals.

Please keep a tally of your medals on the score sheet on page 8.

GOLD  = 200 points  
SILVER  = 150 points  
BRONZE  = 100 points
Random Reading Test (RRT)

What is a Random Reading Test?
This is where a teacher will ask questions about books you read for different events. If you cannot answer the questions about the books for that event, you will be disqualified for this event and the points will be removed from your total.

When will the Random Reading Test happen?
At any time over the Reading Olympics the teachers reserve the right to do a RRT. This could happen at any time, in anyway and anywhere.

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OPENING CEREMONY

Complete the Ancient and Modern Close activity provided. (10 points)
Teacher's signature: _________________________ Date: ______________

Name 10 different genres in less than one minute (Team Event) (10 points)

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Teacher's signature: _________________________ Date: ______________
Let the games begin....

SCORE 10 POINTS PER 100 PAGES (rounded to the nearest 10)

1. FOUR BY 50 METRE RELAY (TEAM EVENT)
I have read four short stories (with a minimum of 50 pages) by different authors.

Title and author of book 1: _____________________________________________ pages: ____
Title and author of book 2: _____________________________________________ pages: ____
Title and author of book 3: _____________________________________________ pages: ____
Title and author of book 4: _____________________________________________ pages: ____
Teacher's signature: ___________________________ Date: _______________ Total pages: _____

TOTAL POINTS:____

2. PENTATHLON
I have read books from five different themes, e.g. humour, science fiction, etc.
List the title, author and theme of the books:

_________________________________________ pages: _____
______________________________ pages: _____
_________________________________________ pages: _____
______________________________ pages: _____
_________________________________________ pages: _____

Teacher's signature: ___________________________ Date: _______________ Total pages: _____

TOTAL POINTS:____

3. WALKING
I have read a ‘graphic novel’ from the list provided by the school library. (20 points)

Title and author of book: ________________________________________________
Teacher's signature: ___________________________ Date: _______________

TOTAL POINTS:____

4. CYCLING
I have read a book set in another country.
Name of country: _______________________
Author and title of book: ____________________________
Teacher's signature: ___________________________ Date: _______________ Total pages: _____

TOTAL POINTS:____
5. TRIATHLON
I have read three books by the same author.

Name of author: ____________________________

Title 1: ___________________________________      pages: _____
Title 2: ___________________________________      pages: _____
Title 3: ___________________________________      pages: _____

Teacher's signature: _______________________ Date: ___________ Total pages: ____

TOTAL POINTS:____

6. 100 METRES
I have read a book at least 100 pages long.

Title and author of book: ____________________________

Teacher's signature: _______________________ Date: ___________ Total pages: ____

TOTAL POINTS:____

7. WOMEN'S EVENT
I have read a book with a strong female character.

Author and title of book: ____________________________

Name of the female character. Why was she strong? ____________________________

_______________________________

Teacher's signature: _______________________ Date: ___________ Total pages: ____

TOTAL POINTS:____

8. FENCING (Team Event) (20 points)
Name 5 books considered to be a ‘classic’

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_____________________________

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Teacher's signature: _______________________ Date: ___________ Total pages: ____

TOTAL POINTS:____

9. 200 METRES
I have read a book at least 200 pages long.

Title and author of book: ____________________________

Teacher's signature: _______________________ Date: ___________ Total pages: ____

TOTAL POINTS:____

10. SPEED SKATING (Team Event) (20 points)
Name at least ten Australian children's authors in less than one minute.

Teacher's signature: _______________________ Date: ___________
11. DECATHLON
I have read ten picture books from the Perth College library. (40 points)

List titles and authors:

________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

Teacher's signature: __________________ Date: __________

12. TRIPLE JUMP
I have read three books (over 80 pages) in a series.

Name of series: _____________________________

Author and title of books: ____________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

Teacher's signature: __________________ Date: __________ Total pages: _____
TOTAL POINTS: _____

13. HEPTATHLON (Team Event) (10 points)
Name seven characters from the Harry Potter series

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________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

Teacher's signature: __________________ Date: __________

14. MARATHON
I have read a book with at least 400 pages.

Title, author and number of pages in the book:

________________________________________________________________________

Teacher's signature: __________________ Date: __________ Total pages: _____
TOTAL POINTS: _____

15. SWIMMING EVENT
I have read a book of at least 150 pages with a sea or water theme.

Author and title of book: ____________________________

Teacher's signature: __________________ Date: __________ Total pages: _____
TOTAL POINTS: _____

16. WATER POLO
I have read a biography or autobiography of a woman.

Author and title of book: ____________________________

Teacher's signature: __________________ Date: __________ Total pages: _____
TOTAL POINTS: _____
SCORE 10 POINTS PER 100 PAGES (rounded to the nearest 10)

17. SPECIAL EVENT 1 (Week 1) (20 points)
Teacher's signature: ________________________  Date: ______________

18. SPECIAL EVENT 2 (Week 3) (20 points)
Teacher's signature: ________________________  Date: ______________

19. SPECIAL EVENT 3 (Week 5) (20 points)
Teacher's signature: ________________________  Date: ______________

20 SPECIAL EVENT 4 (Week 7) (20 points)
Teacher's signature: ________________________  Date: ______________

CLOSING CEREMONY

Please compete and submit the Reading Olympics Evaluation Form to be eligible for the Library Reading Olympics Raffle. This will be handed out in the last week of the Perth College Reading Olympics.

Thank you for participating in the 2008 <School Name> Reading Olympics
## SCORE SHEET

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**FINAL POINTS TOTAL:**  
**FINAL MEDAL TOTAL:**

**GOLD:** ________ : **SILVER** ________ : **BRONZE:** ________
Beijing 2008 Maze

Help our athletes get to the plane to get to Beijing in time for the start of the 2008 Olympics.

REFERENCE:
Enchanted Learning Olympics Crossword Puzzle

Across
1. A very long race
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26. An Olympic event containing three sports
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33. The location of the Summer 2000 games
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35. The capital of Greece

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2. The Olympics flag has five of these
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28. A short, fast, running event
29. A winter sport
31. The only original Olympics contestants
32. The location of the Winter 2002 games
33. The flame is started using the rays of the ___

REFERENCE:
Beijing Olympics 2008 - Summer Sports Word Sleuth

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U O B R A L M O A A H U A T C H T N
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AQUATICS   ROWING
ARCHERY     SAILING
ATHLETICS   SHOOTING
BADMINTON   SOFTBALL
BASEBALL     TABLE
BASKETBALL   TAEKWONDO
BOXING       TENNIS
CANOE       TRIATHLON
CYCLING     VOLLEYBALL
EQUESTRIAN  WEIGHTLIFTING
FENCING     WRESTLING
FOOTBALL

GINASTICS
HANDBALL
HOCKEY
JUDO
KAYAK
MODERN
PENTATHLON
Reading Olympics

REFERENCE:

Olympics Cryptogram

Can you solve this cryptogram puzzle?

REFERENCE:
THE NEXT FOUR PAGES ARE THE ANSWERS TO THE PUZZLES –

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THESE IN THE READING OLYMPICS BOOKLETS
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**CRYPTOGRAM SOLUTION:**
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You can create your own cryptogram by using www.puzzlemaker.com

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