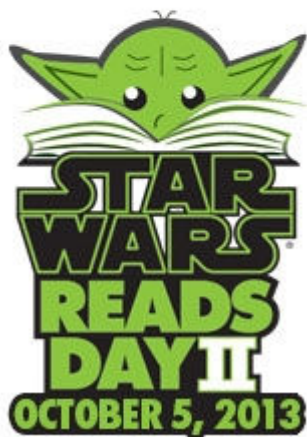


# HAVE A STAR WARS READS DAY EVENT, YOU MUST!



**Download the official Star Wars Reads Day II Activity Kit.** Go to [Starwars.com/reads](http://Starwars.com/reads) for the reproducible activity sheets and trivia in color or B&W.

**Organize a costume contest and parade.** Encourage your patrons to come dressed as their favorite classic *Star Wars* and Clone Wars characters. Arrange a costume parade through your school, library, or store. Remember, it's important to embrace and be respectful of fans of ALL ages—make your costumed customers feel welcome whether they're 5 or 45.

**Host a Jedi training camp.** Have young fans create felt Jedi badges and pin them to their shirts. Arrange for someone to do *Star Wars*-themed face paintings. Play Pin the Ears on Yoda, incorporate inflatable or foam lightsaber duels, and if space allows, create an easy obstacle course to defeat the Dark Lord of the Sith. Afterward, participants can attend an awards ceremony complete with medals of bravery for the newly minted Jedi Masters.

**Encourage show-and-tell.** In the weeks leading up to the event, encourage fans of all ages to bring their coolest *Star Wars* collectibles, art, and/or LEGO® creations to the store on *Star Wars* Reads Day. Have a few folding tables at the ready so patrons can show off their favorites.

**Hold a trivia contest.** Have a staff member choose willing contestants from the audience to answer Padawan- and Master-level trivia. Some trivia will be included in the downloadable activity kit, and there are a plethora of free trivia questions online. Stores could also hold a Classic *Star Wars* vs. Clone Wars trivia battle.

**Create a crafting space station.** Photocopy coloring pages from the *Star Wars* Reads Day activity kit and set up an area for families and fans to let their imaginations run wild. Instructions for creating brown paper bag puppets, paper Stormtrooper masks, foam lightsabers, and construction paper Yoda ears are easily searchable online in addition to what is included in the official 2013 *Star Wars* Reads Day kit.

**Make it fun for the whole family.** Invite fans of all ages to attend this year's event. Get parents and other adult fans interested and engaged in an informal discussion about what they think the next movies will be about; have them recount their favorite memories from when the movies first began playing in movie theaters; or set up a table and invite attendees to bring in their favorite *Star Wars* memorabilia for an informal show-and-tell.

**Have a *Star Wars* snack attack.** There are lots of *Star Wars*-themed recipes available online. Set up a cantina and plan to serve Yoda Soda and Death Star cookies at your Reads Day event!

**Take a brick break.** Many stores and libraries regularly host LEGO®-themed events throughout the year. If your venue is already equipped with LEGO® bricks, create a LEGO® *Star Wars* play station and challenge attendees young and old to build the best vehicle or character scene.

**Get social.** Search Pinterest boards, Twitter posts, and Flickr photos for more inspiration.