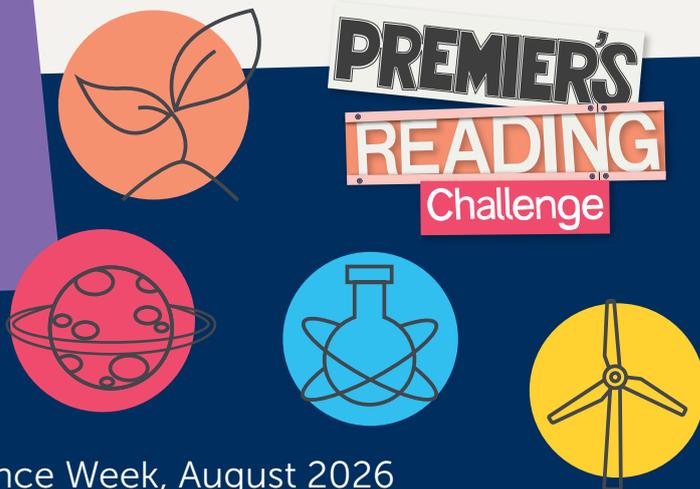


THE 2026 PRC STEM Reading and Design Challenge

Our Sustainable Future

Starts 23 March and finishes 19 June
Announcement of winners in National Science Week, August 2026



THE COMPETITION

The Premier's Reading Challenge and partners are teaming up again to challenge students to read about Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) in the lead up to National Science Week. The reading and design competition started in 2016 and last year over 3000 entries were received!

HOW TO ENTER

Read a book about one of the 4 themes (from the Premier's Reading Challenge booklist):

- **STEM** (any Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths book from the list).
- **NATURE IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA** (such as plants, animals, bushland, rivers, beaches, parks and gardens).
- **SPACE** (such as human spaceflight, the planets and universe, satellites, space travel and astronomy).
- **RENEWABLE ENERGY** (a book about renewable energy - from our sun and wind - that can be used to create power).

Complete the task, according to your year level project.

Send entries to the Premier's Reading Challenge team.

Entries should include student name, student year level, school name, school contact details, teacher name, book read from Premier's Reading Challenge (include title and author) and the theme of the project.

Schools should keep a record of students who enter.

YEAR LEVEL CATEGORY PROJECTS

**R to 2:
Create**

Draw a picture in response to the book read.

**3 to 5:
Invent**

Plan an invention (description, drawing) inspired by the book read.

**6 to 9:
Design**

Design a STEM poster, related to the book read, to inspire interest in science-related fields.

**Mature:
Innovate**

Plan an invention (model, drawing) to solve a problem related to the book read.

THE PRIZES

All students will receive a certificate of participation.

A selection of prizes including passes to the Adelaide Zoo, Cleland Wildlife Park, 19ASF Space Passport Program and Science Alive! and books, book vouchers, vouchers for the South Australian Museum gift shop will be awarded to:

- best individual entry and runner up for each age group
- the school with the most entries.



SEND ENTRIES TO

Mail: STEM Reading and Design Challenge
C/O Premier's Reading Challenge
GPO Box 1152, Adelaide, SA 5001

Or email:

education.PremiersReadingChallenge@sa.gov.au

Please note that the PRC Team will not be able to return any entries.



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