The 2027 Reading Journal

A dated monthly reading system for 2027 - start in October 2026, read a book a week, and keep the year

Free sample - three real pages from the journal: How to Use This Journal (p.2), the January 2027 log (p.7) and the 52-Week Challenge, prompts 1-13 (p.32). The full journal holds 43 pages: the Oct-Dec 2026 ramp-up, a 2027 goals page, twelve dated monthly logs with reflections, a mid-year check-in, the 52-week challenge, to-be-read lists, a favourites shelf, a ratings summary, a year in review, favourite quotes and first picks for 2028. Print at 100% on US Letter or A4.

How to Use This Journal

This journal covers the whole of 2027 - and the three months before it. If you buy it in October, November or December 2026, start on pages 3-5: the ramp-up months clear your shelf, choose your first book of 2027, and set your goal before January arrives. If you buy it in January, skip straight to page 6 and start there. Either way, the year works.

The monthly spread. Every month has two pages. The first is the log: the books you finished, with stars, finish dates and format, plus the month's dates and the challenge weeks that fall inside it. The second is the reflection: the best book of the month, the challenge prompts you finished, and one question the month asks you. A month is not finished when the log is full - it is finished when you have answered its question.

The 52-week challenge. One original prompt per week, 52 in all, on pages 32-35. The prompts are dated by week - Week 1 begins on Monday 4 January 2027 and Week 52 ends on Sunday 2 January 2028 - but a "week" here means one prompt, not one deadline. Tick a prompt off in any order, and if life gets in the way, pick it up the next week. Finish all 52 and you have read a book a week for a year. Finish 26 and you have still had a wonderful year of reading.

At the end of the year. The to-be-read lists, the favourites shelf, the ratings summary, the year in review, your favourite quotes and your first picks for 2028 turn twelve months of notes into a record worth keeping: the books you loved, the months you read most, and the one book you would press into a friend's hands.

This journal belongs to: _____

Started: (October 2026 / January 2027 - circle one) _____

My 2027 reading goal, in one line:

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January 2027 - Month 1 of 12

Friday 1 - Sunday 31 January - 31 days - Challenge weeks 1-4

Month 1 of 12 - log the books you finish this month

Book title	Author	Finished	Stars	Format

This month's prompt: Try a book set somewhere cold.

Notes from this month:

The 52-Week Challenge - Prompts 1-13

Weeks of 4 January - 4 April 2027 - Tick the box and write the title

[ ] 1. A book set in winter - Book: _____

[ ] 2. A book you have meant to read for a year - Book: _____

[ ] 3. A book with a blue cover - Book: _____

[ ] 4. A book set in a country you have never visited - Book: _____

[ ] 5. A book recommended by a friend - Book: _____

[ ] 6. A book of short stories - Book: _____

[ ] 7. A book over 400 pages - Book: _____

[ ] 8. A book under 200 pages - Book: _____

[ ] 9. A book set in spring - Book: _____

[ ] 10. A book with a one-word title - Book: _____

[ ] 11. A book by an author new to you - Book: _____

[ ] 12. A book set by the sea - Book: _____

[ ] 13. A book you can finish in a weekend - Book: _____