Bookmark Pocket Guide

Celebrate **National Library Week** (April 6-12) with this pocket guide and enhance your library experience!

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Being

This means to simply exist in the library space. “Being” is about experiencing the environment—whether you’re there to relax, reflect, or just enjoy the atmosphere.

Let’s Practice!

- How does entering the library make you feel, & how does it influence your connection to knowledge, community, or past experiences?
- When you pick up a book off the shelf, how do you engage with it? What does it smell like, feel like, look like?
- Take a seat & get comfortable. Notice the quiet or noise in the library. Reflect on how you feel & write it down.

Doing

This involves active engagement, taking action, & using the library’s resources for specific tasks, projects, or learning. “Doing” is about putting knowledge or skills into practice in a focused, intentional way.

Let’s Practice!

- Ask your librarian! Does your library host any classes, skill workshops, or community events? Don’t forget to check out the computer lab, printers, & digital tools they offer for free.
- Challenge a friend: Speed Reading! Pick a book & trade with each other. Read as much as you can in 5 minutes. Swap books & repeat. Share your thoughts on each story & decide if you want to read further!
- Sign up for an event & plan to attend.

Living

This is a deeper, more integrated experience where the library becomes a significant part of your daily life. “Living” is about immersing yourself in the library as both a place for personal growth & community interaction, making it central to your lifestyle.

Let’s Practice!

- How can the library enrich the relationships in your life—with friends, family, your local community?
- Does your library offer volunteering opportunities? Consider how they might promote charity, humility, & meaningful connections.
- A library surrounds you with endless opportunities for discovery. How can you harness curiosity as a guiding principle to flourish in your life?



“Having fun isn’t hard when you have a library card.”

- Arthur

More Resources:

Kanopy

Free access to movies, documentaries, & educational videos through participating libraries & universities.

Libby

Borrow & read eBooks & audiobooks from your local library for free.

Let’s celebrate National Library Week together! Whether you’re looking to explore, learn, or give back, support your personal wellbeing while making a difference in the community.