GETTING STARTED WITH BEANSTACK

1. Go to carylibrary.beanstack.org
2. Scroll down the page and click on the "Register an Individual or Family" button.
3. Follow the prompts to create an account. Multiple readers may be registered within the same account so each child's activities can be tracked separately.
4. When entering information, be sure to include the grade each child will be entering in the fall.
5. After the first child is entered, the program will ask if you wish to register another child. Click yes until each child has a profile in Beanstack.

REGISTERING FOR PROGRAMS

1. In the upper right corner of the page, you'll see which reader profile you are currently viewing. To change to a different reader, click on the reader's name and select a different profile.
2. Returning users, click "Edit Reader" to update grade level to the grade each child will be entering in the fall.
3. You will see a list of programs for which your child is eligible. Choose the appropriate program(s) and click the "Join Challenge" button. If you are not interested in participating in one or more of the offered programs, click "Not Interested."
4. Repeat for any additional children.

LOGGING ACTIVITIES

1. In the upper right corner of the page, you'll see which reader profile you are currently viewing. To change to a different reader, click on the reader's name and select a different profile.
2. Click into the program for which you'd like to log activities.
3. Click the "Badges" tab to see the available badges.
4. Click each badge to see its suggested activities.
5. For each activity completed, click the check box or fill in the text answer as required.

LOGGING READING TIME

1. In the upper left corner of the page, click the green "Log Reading and Activities" button.
2. Select the Reader for whom you are logging.
3. Select "Minutes."
4. Select the date on which the reading took place. Today's date is the default.
5. Type the amount of time spent reading.
6. Click "Log Reading."

WRITING REVIEWS

1. In the upper left corner of the page, click the white "Write a Review" button.
2. Select the Reader who is writing the review.
3. Enter the title information and write your review!
4. Click "Save."
5. Your reviews may be published on Beanstack and visible to other Cary Library Beanstack users.

EARNING BADGES AND PRIZES

When earned, badges will appear in color and you will be notified of any associated prizes. Badges that have not yet been earned will appear grayed out.