

Starting and running a community reading group with North Tyneside Libraries

Decide where to meet

Reading groups meet in a variety of venues, from private homes to pubs and cafes. It might be possible for your group to meet in your local library – ask the staff in your branch.

Register your group

Fill out our registration form for new groups, giving us all the details we need to support you. We'll create a library card for your group, which we'll keep at the library.

Choose what to read

We have over 300 titles available for reading groups to borrow, ranging from debut novels to classics. Have a look at our stock list.

Borrowing sets of books

We can lend you multiple copies of your chosen titles (usually up to 12 copies). We may also be able to provide the title in other formats such as large print or audio. There is a book request form for groups which we ask you to use. We recommend you suggest enough titles for the first year and we're grateful if you could also use the space to fill in some reserve choices in case we're not able to provide you with one of your chosen titles. We'll notify your group contact when your set of books is ready to collect. Please return books promptly after use so they become available for others to use.

Tips for reading group discussions

Have a look at our tips for discussing a book on our reading group's page.

Why not register to receive our library newsletter?

We can email you a regular newsletter to keep you up to date with what's happening at North Tyneside Libraries. To receive it, simply email a request to library.events@northtyneside.gov.uk

