

## Fond du Lac Public Library Services for Book Clubs

### Are you interested in forming your own book club? Some things to consider:

- **Members** A group that's too large or small can make for a short or unwieldy discussion. We recommend 7 or 8 members and no more than 15. Recruit members from friends and neighbors, post on local social media groups or check out the board by the book club kits for local groups open to new members.
- **Where?** The library has [meeting rooms](#) available for community groups. Alternative meeting places include homes, community or religious centers, or restaurants. Don't forget to reserve your room in advance!
- **When and how?** Do you want a fixed or flexible meeting date/time? Summers (or winters) off? Decide on how the books will be chosen, and the focus or style of the group or whether it will be more freeform. Designate a discussion leader to help things run more smoothly and decide whether to assign a record keeper.

### Book Club Kit Information

- Each bin contains 10 copies of the same book plus discussion questions. A large print copy is included when available.
- Kits can be borrowed for up to 60 days.
- All copies are checked out to one person, that person is also responsible for returning the books.
- Anyone with a library account in good standing can borrow up to two kits at a time.
- Kits can be reserved through the standard holds system. They cannot be renewed.
- For a list of the kits available through the Fond du Lac Public Library, enter the words *Book Club Kit* in the catalog search field or view the list of titles posted online at <https://shorturl.at/8Z2hs>. You can also browse the kits that are currently available on the second floor of the library.

If your book club would like multiple copies of a book that's not available as a Book Club Kit, send an email to [fdl-ill@fdlpl.org](mailto:fdl-ill@fdlpl.org) with the following information:

- Your name and library card number (from the back of your library card)
- Phone number or email
- Title and author of the book (please include a few choices in case of limited availability), books must have been published more than twelve months before the request
- Submit information about the number of copies needed and when they'll be returned at least two weeks before your group needs them

Need book recommendations for your book club? Questions to guide your discussion? Check the library website or contact the Reference Department at [reference@fdlpl.org](mailto:reference@fdlpl.org) or call 920-322-3930 with your book club needs!

### Resources for Book Clubs

[Booklist Reader](#)

[Indiebound.org Indie Next List](#)

[BookPage](#)

[LitLovers](#)

[Literary Hub Book Marks](#)

[Reading Group Guides](#)

[Goodreads](#)

[Novelist Plus](#) (available with a library card)