BLACK	
	OUT

Name _____

A Kwame Alexander Reading Challenge

Beloved author and poet Kwame Alexander challenges us to read and create! If you have read his book, "Booked," then you know about a very funny scene with a "blackout" poem. For this challenge, begin a new book and stop reading at a random page. From there, copy down the text on the page. Then, begin crossing out letters and/or words until you make your own new creation, a blackout poem. Create yours and share it with Kwame on social media!



Book Recommendations

For this challenge, choose a new book and stop reading at a
random page. Copy down the text below and begin covering
up letters and/or words. Cross them out with a marker or try
doodling, using colorful tape, or other fun materials to
create your poem! Blackout poem examples credit: Betsy
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Reading Log

Color in a quill for every 30 minutes that you read.

30m

60m

90m

120m



150m

180m

210m



240m



270m



300m



Kwame Alexander was a guest on the Beanstack podcast, The Reading Culture, where he shared about this challenge and about his journey to becoming a writer.

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