Candlewick Press Reading Guidelines

Candlewick Press is committed to the authors and illustrators who create our books and to the readers who love them. We value the art of storytelling and are keenly aware of the power of stories to connect and comfort us. During this difficult time, we want to ensure our authors’ and illustrators’ works are protected without being prohibitive.

Here are some guidelines we ask you to follow, and by posting a reading, you are agreeing to these terms:

- Please note at the beginning of your recording that you are reading with permission from Candlewick Press.
- Authors and illustrators can read their own books, as long as they’ve received permission from a co-creator.
  - These readings can be live or posted for a limited time on such outlets as Instagram Stories, Snapchat, etc.
  - These readings should not be archived or saved on social media channels, websites, YouTube, etc.
- Librarians, teachers, parents, caregivers, and the clergy can, through virtual means, read any Candlewick Press title to their patrons, students, and children. However, these readings cannot be archived or saved. Please post your videos only through your school or group’s private platform or within a closed group with access limited to your student/patron community.
- Teachers, librarians, and those who intend to make recordings, please email your name, city, state, and the title and author/illustrator of the books you intend to read online to onlinereadings@candlewick.com. If you have already contacted Candlewick permissions or this email, we will respond promptly.

- If readings will be done live, and not recorded or saved, on 10/29, no permissions from the publisher are necessary.
- If a reading will be saved, but on a private platform and only for a 24-hour period, Candlewick will not require a permissions letter. This is ONLY for readings of Evelyn Del Rey Is Moving Away in connection with Jumpstart’s Read for the Record, all other reading requests should still go to onlinereadings@candlewick.com.
- If none of the above options will work, Candlewick can grant permission for participants that need to record a video to post on a private group or password protected platform, but needs the request sent to the online readings email address by 10/16 to ensure response before 10/29.