



# Welcome to the Little Red Reading House

**A guide for young visitors**



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**We welcome everyone to come and visit us at the Little Red Reading House including families, school groups, and community organizations.**



**We are located at 922 8th Ave. SE, in the neighbourhood of Inglewood, Calgary. Visits are by appointment, which can be booked through our website at [littleredreading.house](http://littleredreading.house).**

**The Little Red Reading House is a unique place where kids and families can come to discover the joy of reading. It is a bit of a mix between a library and a classroom. It is full of books, cozy reading spaces and fun little things to discover.**





**When you arrive at the house, you will ring the doorbell and a house host will greet you at the front door. Before you arrive, we will be busy inside, tidying up to make sure it's ready for your visit.**

**This is Lucas, one of the house hosts**



**When you walk inside, you will take off your shoes and put them in the shoe rack. You can hang up your coat on the coat stand.**



**We use walking feet inside the house to keep everyone safe.**



**We welcome up to 4 families at a time for each visit. Families might be big or small, and kids will be all different ages. It could be different each time you come.**






**If you have any snacks or drinks you'd like to have while you're here, you can eat and drink them in the kitchen at the kitchen counter.**



**The rest of the house is for reading and exploring without snacks and drinks.**



**There is a main floor and there is an upstairs floor. You are allowed to go upstairs with your adult or you can stay on the main floor where there is lots to explore.**





**There are three bathrooms in the house that you can use. One is on the main floor and two are upstairs. They are also full of books and things to look at.**



**If you're just looking around in the bathroom it's fine to leave the door open. If you need to use the toilet, just ask other kids to leave, and shut the door.**

**The upstairs bathroom has a bathtub full of balls. You are welcome to go into the bathtub with the balls, but please keep the balls inside the bathtub.**



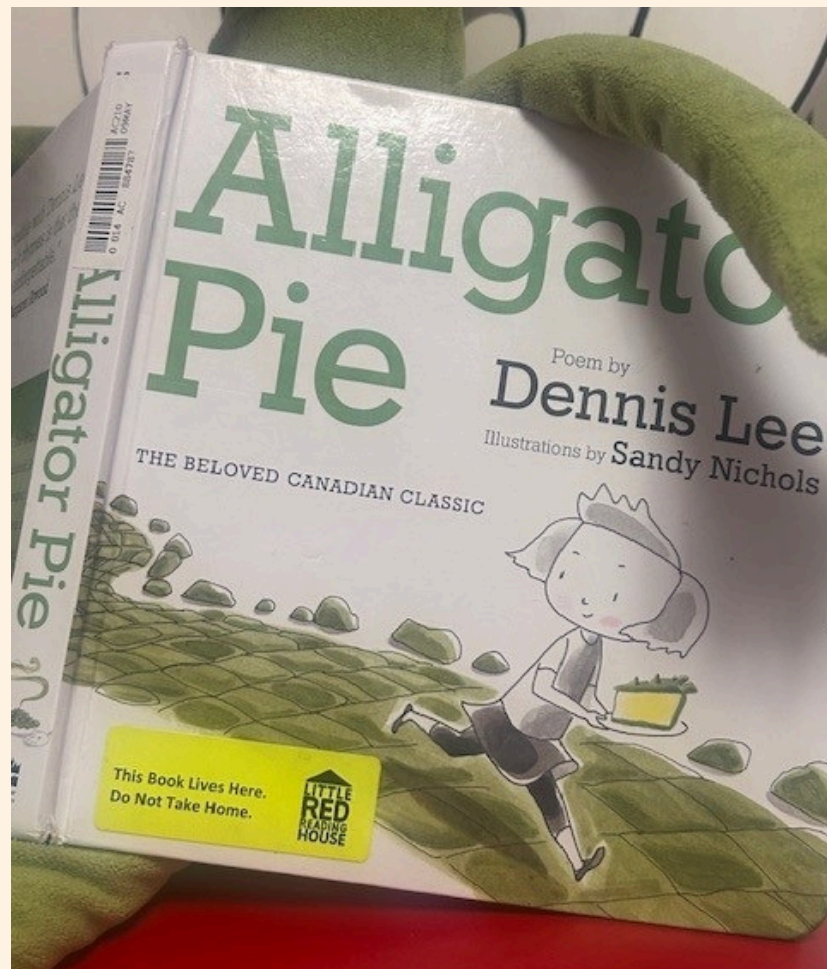


**For the first hour of your visit, you are free to explore the house. There are many fun things to touch and look at. There are books all over the house to discover.**



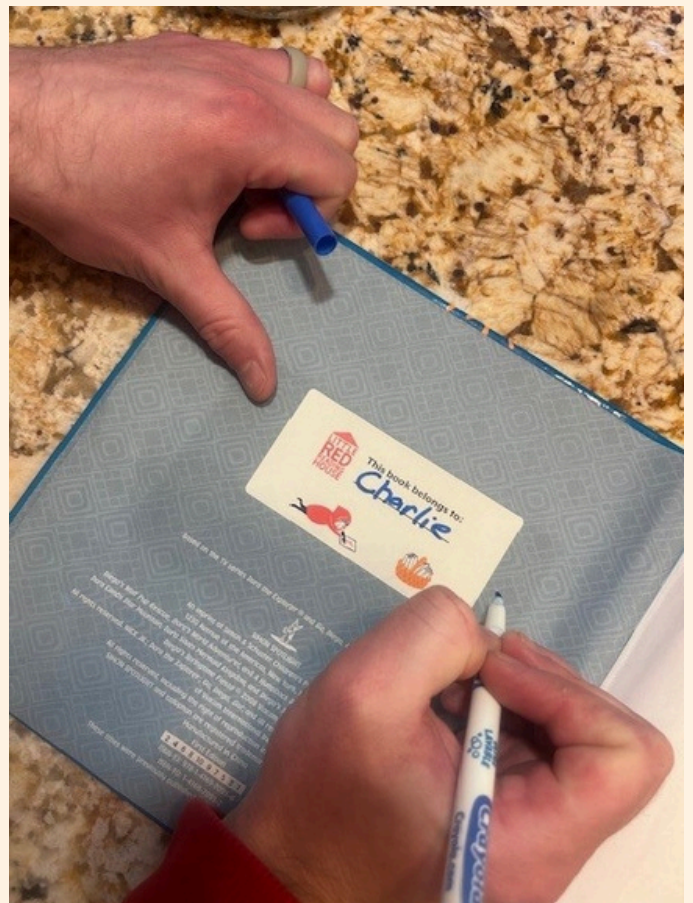
**Please keep things in the same room that you found them. For example, please leave the lego in the lego room.**

During your visit, you can pick one book to take home and keep. You can pick any book you like, unless it has a bright yellow sticker that says **'This book lives here.'** These are special books that we like to keep for lots of kids to look at. You can read them and look at them, but they stay at the house.





**Once you've picked your book, you can bring it to a house host and they will give you a sticker to put on it where you can write your own name.**



**After an hour of exploring, we will gather everyone in the living room for story time. If you want to keep exploring and reading instead of joining story time, that is okay too.**





**When story time is done, there will be a little bit of time left to explore and pick a book to take home.**



**The house host will let you know when it's time to put your shoes and coat back on and get ready to leave. After that, they will get busy tidying up for the next group of kids to come visit and enjoy the house.**

**Thank you for visiting the Little Red Reading House. We hope you had a good time, and that you enjoy your new book.**



**Please come see us again soon!**

