

Summer Research Engagement Challenge

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COMPLETED?

- 1 Find a random article outside of your research area that interests you and read it
- 2 Use color-coded post-its, pens or highlighters for note-taking
- 3 Buy a special notebook and pen to use for your research journal
- 4 Read the memoir of a scientist or researcher in your field
- 5 Write a poem about your latest research project – haikus are encouraged
- 6 Schedule a writing date with a friend
- 7 Go on a field trip to a location connected to your research area
- 8 Design an internet meme about your research
- 9 Create a themed music playlist for your research or writing time
- 10 Find a new podcast related to your research area
- 11 Email a researcher you respect and thank them for their work
- 12 Contact your dissertation advisor and see what they are up to lately
- 13 Brainstorm 20 questions you want to answer with your research
- 14 Rearrange the furniture in your work or home office
- 15 Take a day to just catch up on research reading
- 16 Explore blogs written by researchers in your area

- 17 Go to a research seminar or conference presentation on a topic that is new for you
- 18 Create a mission statement for your research
- 19 Find a newspaper article that cites a scientific study and read the original study
- 20 Draft a strategic plan for your research over the next several years
- 21 Write an op-ed related to your research topic
- 22 Watch a feature film or documentary related to your research topic
- 23 Organize your paper and/or digital research files or citation management system
- 24 Finish a writing project that has been hanging over your head
- 25 Tweet about your research progress every day for a week
- 26 Start a writing streak of at least 15 minutes a day for a minimum of 10 days
- 27 Schedule a fall writing retreat of two days or more
- 28 Read an article about a research method that you've never used before
- 29 Use a data visualization method that is new to you
- 30 Post a picture of your research space on social media
- 31 Incorporate a "Research in Action" podcast episode into your fall syllabus

When you complete at least 10 out of the 31 items on the checklist, send us an email at riapodcast@oregonstate.edu so that we can help you celebrate!