## GET IN THE GAME CONTROL OF THE CONT

How can a librarian inspire teenagers to participate in a summer reading program about health and fitness?!



The 7 Secrets of Motivating Teenagers:

- 1. What's in it for me?
- 2. Let them have a say.
- 3. Let them learn from failure.
- 4. Help them to remember.
- 5. Make it achievable.
- 6. Provide incentives.
- 7. Make it fun.

http://understandingteenagers.com.au/blog/2012/09/the-7-secrets-of-motivating-teenagers/

In *The Future of Library Services for and with Teens: A Call to Action,* it states that libraries are in the perfect position to provide young people with the necessary connections between formal and interest-based learning -

"In a society in which some young people are succeeding and others are being left behind, libraries play a critical role in preparing ALL teens to be productive, engaged citizens in both their work and personal lives."

"Some people want it to happen, some wish it would happen, others make it happen."

Michael Jordan





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## DIY Motivational T-Shirt

Supplies: bleach, cardboard, spray bottle, hairdryer, foam alphabet stickers, black/colored t-shirt\*, inspirational quotes and phrases...

\*Some libraries choose to have teens bring their own t-shirt.
I would highly recommend this for DIY t-shirt repurposing crafts.

Step 1: Dilute bleach in spray bottle—
1 part bleach :: 4 parts water





Step 2. Peel letters and place on t-shirt BE CREATIVE!!!





Step 3. Spray lettered area with bleach, until completely saturated. Set timer for 5 minutes.

Step 4: Use the hairdryer to gently push bleach away/off foam letters, and continue drying in small circles around lettering.

Continue drying fabric until no longer damp.





Step 5:

Wash with hot water and soap; hang dry.\*\*

\*\*First time only.



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