Joining Goodreads

1. Go to http://www.goodreads.com/

2. At the top of the page, fill in the field to “Create a free account!” (Please note: users must be at least 13 years of age.)
   a. You have the option to sign in using your Facebook, Twitter, or Google+ account, or you can opt to use your first name, email address, & create a new password.
   b. If you are concerned about privacy, you don’t have to use your real name and you can create an email address that is non-identifying.

3. Next, you can check your Facebook, Gmail, Yahoo, and Twitter address books to find friends already on Goodreads
   a. You have the option to skip this step by clicking “skip this step >>” on the right-hand side of the page
4. Select your favorite book genres (e.g., historical fiction, YA, fiction, thriller) and click “Continue”
   a. You can skip this step by clicking “Continue” right away

5. Rate books you’ve read to receive personalized book recommendations and click “I’m finished rating”
   a. You can skip this step by clicking “I’m finished rating” at any time
6. If you rated 20 books or more you’ll see personalized recommendations on the next screen. Click “Done here? See what’s next >>”

7. This is what your home screen for goodreads looks like. Updates from your friends will appear in the “Recent Updates” section. The tabs at the top give you your basic options: Home, My Books, Friends, Recommendations, Explore.
8. Click the downward-facing arrow in the top-right to customize your account.
   a. Here you can add a profile pic and fill in additional information like your last name, birthdate, interests, favorite book genres, etc.
   b. It is not necessary to add any of this information! The only required information on Goodreads is a first name (can use any name), valid email, and password.

9. Once you’re finished customizing your account – friend or follow NNEDV!
   a. You can find NNEDV’s member page here: https://www.goodreads.com/NNEDV

You can learn more about how to use Goodreads here: http://www.goodreads.com/about/how_it_works.