

# How to CHOOSE a book!

## Look!

Browse the bookshelves – it's a good idea to have a good look at the books.



## Check out the COVER!

Does it look interesting? What is the title? Who is the author? Is it like books you've tried before?

## READ the blurb!

The blurb is the short paragraph on the back of the cover and tells you something about the story. What does the blurb tell you? Does it make you want to read it?



## Think about the GENRE

This is the type of story found in the book. This could be comedy, adventure or fantasy! What other kinds of stories have you enjoyed?

## TRY it out

Read a few pages of the book. Do you want to know what happens next? It's fine to put it back if it doesn't feel right.

## ASK

...the school librarian, teachers, parents and your friends to recommend a book!

## The RIGHT One

Use the five finger test to help decide if it's the right book for you. Open the book and read a page. Every time you find a word you don't know count one finger. If you get to five the book is likely too hard, so put it back and try another one.

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