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Play a giant version of the classic guessing game Guess Who with non-fiction book covers!

The aim of the game is to facilitate browsing of a wide range of non-fiction books, raising awareness of the variety that are out there and avilable in libraries and bookshops.

What this pack contains

1 pack of book covers (all reproduced with permission). You will need to print this pack three times.

What you'll need to provide

A divider, so that players can lay out their cards face up without their opponent seeing them. This divider could simply be a set of books slighly open, or it could be a free standing screen.

Object of the game

To guess your opponent's book before they guess yours!

How to play

Each player (team) sets up their half of the table ready to play by taking one pack of book covers and laying them out face up.

The remaining pack of book covers is used to draw the books which are to be to be guessed. Each player (or team) draws one card at random from this pack, before putting the now incomplete pack aside and out of play.

Each player (team) notes their mystery card and places it somewhere on their side of the divider, so that their opponent cannot see their mystery book cover.

Players take it in turns to ask Yes/No questions about book covers, trying to eliminate books from their display, until they are left with only one, which should be the mystery book cover held by the opposing team.

Example questions:

Are there animals on the cover? Is it written by a woman? Is the book an activity book?

You could also use the game to prompt discussions about how we select books - the role cover design and title play in whether we want to investigate the book further - or simply use the covers to create a display of exciting non-fiction titles.

If your school or public library has enough copies of non-fiction books in duplicate you could use real books to play this game, thereby helping players become more aware of what they could borrow from the library they have access to.



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