



How To Choose A Free Book Pick

1. Ask another person “What books have you read?”
2. Look in the book to see if it’s a book I like -- the pictures, the title -- or to see if it’s too hard or sometimes too easy.
3. Read the first page and if you get stuck on too many words it’s too hard. If it’s too easy, put it back.
4. Ask friends for really good books.
5. Look for books by specific authors that you enjoy.
6. Read a little of the book to see if it’s interesting.
7. Look for books that have been read to you before by your family, friends, or teacher.
8. Ask somebody what a book is like -- what they think of it.
9. Look for books with big words (print).
10. Look around your classroom for books that look interesting.
11. Look at the cover, the title and the pages to see if it looks good.
12. Sometimes you change your mind and you can put it back so that you can choose another book.
13. If the cover and the title sound good, I try it and if I don’t like it, I can put it back.
14. Pick books by authors you like or books you think are funny.
15. Everyone likes different books. You have to be interested in it.

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