

#### Overview:

Authors don't merely place words on a page; they weave stories that can transport us to far away lands, bring princesses to live and create best friends from bears that walk and talk. Children's literature can be powerful and impactful. Can you hear your mother/father/grandparent's voice when you re-read a line from a classic tale? Let's test your literary knowledge!

Materials Needed: Paper and writing instrument for each participant. Feel free to use the answer sheet provided or have people use their own paper.

Directions: Read aloud each quote DO NOT read aloud the title or author. Ask participants to write down the title of the book and author. 1 point will be scored for each correct answer with a total of 2 points for each question. Read through the entire list and then return to the top and have your group shout-out the correct answers. Most points wins!

- 1) "Goodnight noises everywhere."
  - a. Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown
- 2) "Piglet was so excited at the idea of being Useful that he forgot to be frightened any more."
  - a. Winnie the Pooh by A.A. Milne
- 3) "And Max the king of all wild things was lonely and wanted to be where someone loved him best of all."
  - a. Where The Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak
- 4) "You do not like them. So you say. Try them! Try them! And you may. Try them and you may, I say."
  - a. Green Eggs and Ham by Dr. Seuss
- 5) "Where's Papa going with that ax?' said Fern to her mother as they were setting the table for breakfast."
  - a. Charlotte's Web by E. B. White
- 6) "I think I can. I think I can. I think I can. "
  - a. The Little Engine That Could by Watty Piper

- 7) "Sometimes his mother would say, "This kid is driving me CRAZY!" But at night time, when that two-year-old was quiet, she opened the door to his room, crawled across the floor, looked up over the side of his bed; and if he was really asleep she picked him up and rocked him back and forth, back and forth, back and forth. While she rocked him she sang: I'll love you forever, I'll like you for always, As long as I'm living my baby you'll be."
  - a. Love You Forever by Robert Munsch
- 8) "You'll find the bright places where Boom Bands are playing."
  - a. Oh! The Places You'll Go by Dr. Seuss
- 9) "Years rolled on again, and Wendy had a daughter. This ought not to be written in ink but in a golden splash."
  - a. Peter Pan by J.M. Barrie
- 10) "You should never, never doubt something that no one is sure of."
  - a. Roald Dahl, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
- 11) "There was once a boy named Milo who didn't know what to do with himself—not just sometimes, but always."
  - a. The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster
- 12) "One of the strange things about living in the world is that it is only now and then one is quite sure one is going to live for ever and ever and ever."
  - a. The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett

#### TIE BREAKERS

- 13) "This idea filled him with fears and worries. But soon he let his thoughts return to the river, and as he lay there a whippoorwill began to sing on the opposite shore, darkness spread over the land, and Stuart dropped off to sleep."
  - a. Stuart Little by E.B. White
- 14) "I don't need very much now," said the boy, "just a quiet place to sit and rest. I am very tired." "Well," said the tree, straightening herself up as much as she could, "well, an old stump is good for sitting and resting. Come, Boy, sit down. Sit down and rest." And the boy did. And the tree was happy."
  - a. From The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein



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Characters in children's literature were often some of our cherished friends growing up. Remember silly Ramona Quimby? Mike Mulligan? The always-curious Curious George?

**Materials Needed:** Masking Tape, Literary Character Names. Feel free to use ones we provide or create your own!

**Directions:** In this exercise, group members will be asked to identify the names of famous literary characters. The leader tapes the name of a famous person on the back of each participant. The group member is not to see who is taped to their back. Their task is to find out who they are. The participants mill around the room asking others yes/no questions. If the member receives a "yes" answer, they can continue to ask that individual questions until they receive a "no" answer. Then they must continue on to ask someone else. When a group member figures out who they are, they take off the tag, put it on the front of their shirt, and write their own name on it. The member then can help other members find out who they are. The exercise concludes when all members have discovered who they are.

**EXTENSION**: If you have a large group and utilize the same character multiple times, have participants attempt to discover who they are and find the individuals with the same character.

**ADDITIONAL OPTION:** Ask participants to attempt to identify themselves and find any others that are from the same storybook (i.e. Tigger, Pooh and Eyeore)

### Curious George (from Curious George)

### Man with the Yellow Hat (from Curious George)

## Cat in the Hat (from Cat in the Hat)

## Pooh (From Winnie the Pooh)

## Tigger (From Winnie the Pooh)

### Cordurory (From Cordurory)

# Charlotte (from Charlotte's Web)

## Charlie (from Charlie & The Chocolate Factory)

# Willy Wonka (from Charlie & The Chocolate Factory

### Little Red Riding Hood (from Little Red Riding Hood)

## Cinderella (from Cinderella)

## Snow White (from Snow White)

### Peter Rabbit (from Peter Rabbit)

# Clifford (from Clifford the Big Red Dog)

# Emily Elizabeth (from Clifford the Big Red Dog)

### Fancy Nancy (from Fancy Nancy)

# Ramona Quimby (from Ramona Quimby Age 8)

#### Harry Potter (from Harry Potter)

## Hermione Granger (from Harry Potter)

### Albus Dumbledore (from Harry Potter)

## Dorothy (The Wizard of Oz)

## Tin Man (The Wizard of Oz)

## Toto (The Wizard of Oz)

## Scarecrow (The Wizard of OZ)

### Pinocchio (from Pinocchio)

## Alice (from Alice's Adventures in Wonderland)

## Peter Pan (from Peter Pan)

#### Wendy (from Peter Pan)

## Tinker Bell (from Peter Pan)

## Captain Hook (from Peter Pan)