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BRILLIANT BOOKS QUIZ PACK

Ministry of Stories

Fundraising Quiz

Thank you for choosing to support Ministry of Stories by holding your own quiz fundraiser.

Your support makes all the difference in championing creativity and imagination and makes sure we can keep helping young people discover the power of their writing.

Read on to find everything you need to make your quiz fundraiser a huge success. (Please note, this quiz is for adults.)

Step one:

Pick a date, time and location. You can hold your quiz at home, in your office or at a venue (make sure you factor in any hiring costs). We can provide a letter of authenticity to let the venue know its a charity fundraiser.

Step two:

We recommend ticketing your event to guarantee an income. Be sure to price the tickets at a comfortable price for your audience. We recommend between £5 and £10 entry fee per player.

Step three:

The fun part! You can use the Ministry of Stories quiz in this pack or come up with your own. Don't forget to choose a Quiz Master.

Step four:

Make the most of your community, and promote to friends, families and colleagues. Social media is a great tool for publicising your event.

Step five:

Help boost your fundraising and make your quiz fundraiser an event to remember by considering extra activities:

Prizes

What better way to incentivise teams than with a winner and a runner up prize. The sillier the (often) better!

Raffle

Use your contacts to secure some raffle prizes and encourage people to buy raffle tickets.

Sweepstakes

Does your event coincide with a sporting or social event? You can create a sweepstake and get your guests to guess the outcome/ winning score

Match Funding

Some employers generously offer to match any money raised for charity by their staff.

Step six:

Contact us on hello@ministryofstories.org to let us know you are hosting a quiz fundraiser!

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It's time to quiz! Get started by taking 5-minutes to invent a Ministry team name E.g. Ministry of Oxford Commas. Make sure each team writes their team name in at the top of each sheet.

This pack contains five quiz rounds, themed on the wonder of books:

1. Book Smarts - A general knowledge round on all things books and authors.

One point for each correct answer.

2. Nick Hornby - Challenge our Co-Founder Nick Hornby with his own set of bespoke questions.

One point for each correct answer.

3. Opening Lines - Can you guess the book from its opening line?

One point for the correct book title; one extra point for the correct author.

4. Book Covers - Can you name the book from the cover image?

One point for the correct book title; one extra point for the correct author.

5. Monsters in Literature - In celebration of our store, Hoxton Street Monster Supplies, we delve into monstrous writings.

One point for each correct answer.

There is a total of 74 points available.

BONUS rounds

There are also two additional 'Ministry magic' rounds - **Ode to an Object** and **Wonderful Words** - which can be included if your teams would like a little taste of our young writers world.

We suggest giving the answers at the end of each round and each team to keep a note of their score.

The Quiz Master can also keep a running total for each team, to announce at the end of each round, giving the quiz some momentum.

Ready? Let's quiz!



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Round I *Book Smarts*

Welcome to our general knowledge round. Let's test who's got the book smarts in the crowd! One point for each correct answer. Ready? Let's go!

1. What year did **the first World Book Day** take place?
2. What's the **name of the wood** Pooh Bear and his friends live in?
3. Where was Roald Dahl's **favourite place to write**?
4. Who is the **current Children's Laureate** (2022-24)?
5. What is the title of **Malorie Blackman's ground breaking novel**?
6. What is the **best-selling pen brand in the world**?
7. What is Philip Pullman's first ***His Dark Materials* book, *Northern Lights***, called in the US?
8. What's the **minimum amount of words** required for a book to be considered a novel?
9. Which **book by welsh author Diana Wynne Jones** was turned into a feature film by Studio Ghibli?
10. Name one of the obstacles **the children meet on their journey** in Michael Rosen's *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*.

Swap
sheets for
scoring!



Round 2 Questions by Nick Hornby

Enjoy tackling the questions set by author and Ministry of Stories Co-Founder Nick Hornby. Can you guess the connection between the answers? One point for each correct answer.

1. What was the **name of the character Patricia Routledge played in the sitcom *Keeping Up Appearances***?

2. The children are Cedella, Ziggy, Stephen, Robbie, Rohan, Karen, Stephanie, Julian, Ky-Mani, Damian. **Who's the father?**

3. Whose albums include **Wild Wood, Heavy Soul and 22 Dreams?**

4. Which toy franchise was **designed for Kate Wiggs by her father Chris**, who gave it a name indicating the main character's small size?

5. Which **scarecrow was created** by Barbara Euphran Todd?

6. Which **very common tropical fish** is also known as the millionfish and the rainbow fish?

7. Which **ubiquitous 1960s dance** was first made popular at the Peppermint Lounge nightclub in NYC?

8. Which British slang word to **describe a scientist or engineer engaged in technical research** and development was particularly popular during World War II?

9. My first book *Fever Pitch* was **published in France under a different name**, a two-word phrase referring to something a football referee keeps in his pocket. What was its title – en français s'il vous plait?

10. There is the **literary connection between all the answers**. What is it?

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Round 3 *Opening Lines*

You know, you know it! Identify the opening lines from some very famous books. One point for the correct book title; one extra point for the correct author.

1. 'Call me Ishmel'
2. 'It is a truth universally acknowledged, that a single man in possession of a good fortune, must be in want of a wife.'
3. 'My hat is gone. I want it back.'
4. 'It was seven o'clock of a very warm evening in the Seonee hills when Father Wolf woke up from his day's rest, scratched himself, yawned, and spread out his paws one after the other to get rid of the sleepy feeling in their tips.'
5. 'Once there were four children whose names were Peter, Susan, Edmund, and Lucy.'
6. 'A Mouse took a stroll through a deep dark wood'
7. 'Grace was a girl who loved stories.'
8. 'My name is Salmon, like the fish; first name, Susie. I was fourteen when I was murdered on December 6, 1973.'
9. 'We slept in what had once been the gymnasium.'
10. 'January: An exceptionally bad start. Sunday 1 January 129 lbs (but post- christmas), alcohol units 14 (but effectively covers 2 days as 4 hours of party was on New Year), cigarettes 22, calories 5424.'

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Round 4 *Book Covers*

Do judge a book by its cover!
One point for the correct book title;
one extra point for the correct author.

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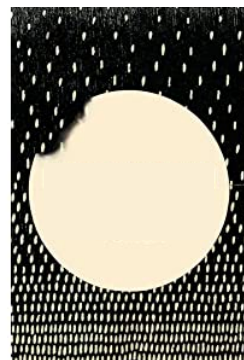
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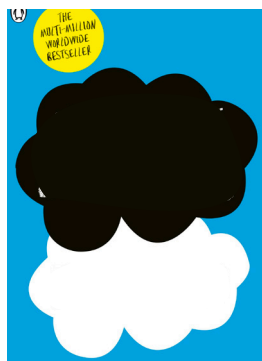
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Round 5 *Monsters in Literature*

In celebration of Hoxton Street Monster Supplies we're delving into the world of monstrous writings. One point for each correct answer. Bwaaarrgghh!

1. According to mythology **what half-man, half-bull beast was kept in a labyrinth** on Crete?
2. What **common kitchen ingredient** is known to ward away vampires?
3. Just looking at this **snake-haired monster** would turn you to stone.
4. Name the imaginary **creature described by Lewis Carroll** as having 'jaws that bite and claws that catch'
5. What is the name of **Raymond Brigg's infamous Bogeyman**?
6. **Which famous epic** featured the horrifying Balrog?
7. Who wrote *The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde*?
8. Which **monstrous character did Anjelica Huston famously bring to life** in the film of a book, in 1983?
9. Which monster is **outwitted by a clever mouse** in Julia Donaldson's woodland tale?
10. Which monster **terrorised the Three Billy Goats Gruff**?

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BONUS Round I *Ode to an Object*

This round, we are challenging you to write an Ode to an Object.

To begin, spend a minute or two conferring with your team mates to **choose a simple object e.g. a toothbrush**. Once you've chosen your object, spend 2-minutes noting down key words to describe it. You could consider:

- What it looks like
- How you use it
- What you use it for
- What could it be used for

Once you have some key words **write six short lines of poetry which celebrate the object**. The more creative, the better!

But beware! **You mustn't use the actual name of the object in the poem itself or draw a picture of it.**

You now have **5-10 minutes to write your Ode to an Object** until your Quiz Master calls time.

If you manage to write a six line poem, **you will receive three points.**

If they can guess your object, both teams **will receive two points.**

TOTAL:

/5



BONUS Round 2 *Wonderful Words*

1. What is the **meaning of Scottish word bonailie**?
 - a. A town built on the convergence of two rivers
 - b. A traditional Highland reel
 - c. A parting drink

2. What does **whiffet mean**?
 - a. An insignificant person
 - b. A really smelly whippet
 - c. A sniffle; a cold.

3. What does **perendinate mean**?
 - a. To walk so absentmindedly you bang into something
 - b. To defer until the day after tomorrow

4. To dream about your teeth falling out
 - a. To walk so absentmindedly you bang into something
 - b. To defer until the day after tomorrow

- Author **Sophie Kinsella's favourite word** is?
 - a. Sprygge
 - b. Symphony
 - c. Scintillating

5. Author **Neil Gaiman's favourite word** is?
 - a. Hasten
 - b. Home
 - c. Hamper

6. Actor **Stephen Fry's favourite word** is?
 - a. Fidget
 - b. Flustered
 - c. Flagitious



Answer Sheet

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TEAM NAME _____

Round 1 *Book Smarts*

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Round 2 *Questions by Nick Hornby*

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TOTAL:

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Answer Sheet

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Round 3 *Opening Lines*

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Round 4 *Book Covers*

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TOTAL: _____ /24



Answer Sheet

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TEAM NAME _____

Round 5 *Monsters in Literature*

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TOTAL: _____ /10

BONUS Round 2 *Wonderful Words*

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4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

TOTAL: _____ /6





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