

## Speed Dating Instructions

- Grab as big of a stack as you can from the library shelves
- Try to pick 2-3 different genres
- Take your stack back to your desk and complete the following 8 steps for each of the [minimum 8 books](#) you need to speed date in your Reader's Notebooks:

1. Write down the title of the book
2. *Look at the cover art and comment on it.*
3. *Look at the author:* Have you heard of him/her before? Any information about him/her on the back cover of the book? Any other titles you recognize?
4. *Look at the back cover:* Are there any recommendations or comments about the book that other authors have written...authors you might recognize?
5. *Awards:* Has the book won any awards? Often this is a good indication that the book will be good!
6. *Summary:* Is there a summary on the inside flap? Back cover or flap? On the copyright page?
7. Overall impression of the book 2-3 sentences.
8. Rate the book on a scale from 1 to 10 with 1 being you never want to see it again and a 10 being you are checking it out today!

\*Checkout the book that interests you the most and NEATLY replace the other books back onto the shelves.