

How to talk about books

Discussion guide for practitioners

This year, we've shared book information in various formats to find out what works best for your students.

There's a brief synopsis in the guide, a longer version on our website and in the **Bookbuzz PowerPoint**, plus the **Bookbuzz Film** - all to help you become familiar with this year's books before students make their choice.



Below are some suggested conversation prompts to spark discussion and help students find a book that interests them. Use them for a whole class discussion, in smaller groups or for pair work.

Think about the genre of the book...

- Think about the answer you got in the **What's your favourite genre? quiz**. Which of the books in this year's collection fit that genre?
- Can a book have more than one genre? How else might you describe or think about 'genre'?

Think about books or films you've enjoyed in the past...

- What was it about the book or film that you enjoyed?

Think about your hobbies and interests...

- Which of the Bookbuzz books have links to your hobbies or interests? How?

After watching the Bookbuzz Film 2025...

- Which of the Bookbuzz books stand out to you? Why?
- What did the author say that caught your attention or made you more interested in the book? Why?
- Which of the Bookbuzz books do you want to find out more about?

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