

Learning Beyond the Classroom



URL: www.readwritethink.org/materials/bookcover/

The Book Cover Creator allows users to type and illustrate front and back covers, and full dust jackets. Children can use the tool to create new covers for books that they read as well as to create covers for books they write on their own or with family and friends.

Here's What to Do:

A variety of templates allow users to create just a book's front cover, front and back cover, or a full dust jacket. There are text tools to add formatting to titles and book notes, the ability to add shading to background areas of the cover, or draw original images to illustrate covers and dust jackets. Since this is an online tool, there are also [Book Cover Planning Sheets](#), printable PDFs that children can use to draft and revise their work before creating and printing their final book covers or dust jackets. The sample book cover shows a simple front and back cover.

More Ideas to Try:

- Learn about the parts and pieces of book covers and dust jackets using the [Book Cover Guide](#), which doubles as an example to share with children.
- Recreate the cover of a favorite book.
- Design a new book cover or dust jacket after reading or listening to a book.
- Make a dust jacket or book cover after writing an original story.
- Use this tool to keep track of the number of books read during the summer or during the school year by making a book cover for each completed text.

* This tool uses the free Flash browser plug-in (version 8 or later), which can be downloaded from the ReadWriteThink.org [Site Tools](#) page: http://www.readwritethink.org/site_tools.html.

To view this tip sheet online, go to <http://www.readwritethink.org/materials/bookcover/bookcover.pdf>

Intended for: Grades K–12
Ages 4–18

Technical requirements: Flash 8*

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