

Bring Your Own Book

Something spoken
by an animal in a
fairy tale



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The moment a bad
omen appears in a
horror novel



Bring Your Own Book

The award-winning
moment in a
dramatic film



A line from a
horoscope

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A hero's catchphrase

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A line from a passive-
aggressive note

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A one-liner from
an action movie



Bring Your Own Book

The title of a murder
mystery novel



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A line you never
expected to find
in a poem



The moment in a
romance novel when
hearts are broken

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A line from a
teenager's diary

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A line in an
eviction notice

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An item on a resume



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A phrase that could
inspire revolt



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A sentence in a
fortune cookie



A passage from a
religious text

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The punchline
of a joke

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A phrase you
wouldn't want to
hear your
grandparents say

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Bring Your Own Book

**Lyrics from a lullaby
(e.g. Rock-a-bye
Baby)**



Bring Your Own Book

A political slogan



Bring Your Own Book

Part of a love letter



Famous last words

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A universal truth

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**An alien's first words
to mankind**

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**Lyrics from a
country-western
song (e.g. Johnny
Cash)**



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**This just in, a line
of breaking news!**



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**Advice for
graduating seniors**



**Part of a piece
of e-mail spam**

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**Lyrics from a power
ballad (e.g. Journey)**

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**Something you could
hear Arnold
Schwarzenegger say**

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**The name of a store
that sells almost
everything**



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A pick-up line



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**An item in
a police report**



**The meaning
of life is...**

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**The moment in a
sci-fi novel when a
robot behaves
unexpectedly**

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**Something yelled at
a broken machine**

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Text on a
warning label



Bring Your Own Book

Words tattooed on
someone's body



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The title of a long-
lost thriller by
Alfred Hitchcock



The name of a health
and beauty product

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The name of a trendy
mixed drink

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A phrase that would
be extra creepy if
you whispered it

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The secret password
to a magical cave



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Classic Rules

If you've never played before,
the Classic rule set is the perfect
place to start.

GOAL: Get four cards (with 6-8
players) or five cards (with 3-5).



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Classic Rules



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Classic Rules

The slogan on a
bumper sticker

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SETUP: Everyone has a book
and sits in a circle. The cards are
placed face-down in the middle.
The starting player should also
have a 1-minute timer.

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PICKING: The starting player
takes the top card off the deck,
picks a prompt, and reads it
aloud.

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SEEKING: Everyone except the
Picker searches their book for
text to match the prompt. They're
seeking for sequential
text of any length: a single word,
half of a sentence, a whole
sentence, multiple sentences.



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Classic Rules

READING: When the timer runs
out (or every Seeker announces
"I've got it"), each Seeker reads
what they've found. *Seekers who
didn't find text in time open to a
random page and read a random
sentence from it.*



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Classic Rules

ROTATION: After each round,
the person to the left of the last
Picker starts the next round.
*ALSO, every time any player
reaches three cards, everyone
passes their book one to the left.*



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Classic Rules

TIMER: The first Seeker to find
matching text announces "I've
got it," which starts the timer.

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JUDGING: The Picker chooses
their favorite submission and
awards that Reader the card.

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