

# Present game

15 mins

All ages

An activity which shows children they should not judge a book by its cover.

## What you will need

3 different size boxes  
2 prizes (1 ok & 1 really good)  
Sellotape  
Plain wrapping paper  
Basic wrapping paper  
Pretty/special wrapping paper

## Method

- Start by putting the nicest prize in the smallest box & wrap it with the basic wrapping paper.
- Next put the ok prize in the medium size box & wrap it with the plain paper.
- Wrap the largest box up with the nicest paper & put nothing inside.
- Ask the children which box they would like to open & why...discuss is it because it looks the biggest or the prettiest.
- Open up the most popular present first, show that there was nothing inside, how does that make the children feel?
- Open up the medium size box and show the prize, discuss if it's a nice prize.
- Open the smallest present last and show the children the prize – ask them which present had the nicest thing inside?
- Draw comparisons with people - we should never judge a book by its cover – people who are beautiful on the inside may not be the most beautiful on the outside and vice versa.

