# SPEED DATING
# LESSON PLAN

**Objectives:**
Students will choose a book for free choice reading in a speed dating format. Students will practice book examination techniques.

**Procedure:**
Meet and Greet: As students enter pass out handout and a playing card 1-8
Introduction:

- Ask who is familiar with speed dating?
- How is choosing a book like choosing someone to date?
- List similarities
    - Physical/book cover – show old and new copy of Dogsong
    - Common likes/subjects we like
    - Interesting
    - Spend time with each other – we want that to be pleasant.
- Today use a speed dating format to choose a book
- You will be visiting 8 tables and have 2:00  minutes at each stop
    - Read the back cover
    - Read the summary and subjects on the cataloging page
    - Read the inside flap
    - Read one random page
- At that point you may choose another book from the table and repeat
- If you find a possible "match or matches" you may start reading until the music stops
- When the time is up, move to the next table and repeat.  Take your "match(es)" with you if you think you may want to continue to read it.
- You may date more than one book (not recommended for people)
- You may "break-up or ditch" a book at any time and "pick-up" another. Leave your break-ups on whatever table you are on.
- If you do not have a book at the end of the hour, you may:
    1. Ask the matchmakers
    2. Choose a blind date

Bookmarks on tables for you
May take a book they know they want from the shelf (next in a series)
Check out your book and end your date with a kiss at the desk (must have book or @ least one possible date)
Add possible matches for later to your want to read shelf in Destiny

**Materials**:
8 decorated tables
10-12 pre-selected books per table girl/boy/non-fictionchoices
     (250 for 6 classes)
     1st in a series, popular
Extra books on Matchmaker car to add to the tables between classes
10-15 books set aside for blind dates placed on reference counter
Number cards (1-8♥ cards) on clips
Bookmarks/ Pencils on tables
Romantic music clip as a timer 2 minutes/ speakers
Handouts next page