

**Workshop 6: Good Sports****Reading 1 Project: The Marble Champ  
That Should Cover It**

*Can you judge a book by its cover?*

**Project:** Create a book cover for “The Marble Champ.”

**Procedure**

- 1. Study book covers.** Look at some of the books in your classroom library.
  - The front cover usually has the title, author’s name, and an illustration.
  - The back cover usually has a short description that tells about the book.
- 2. Create the front cover.** Think about the “The Marble Champ.” What image would you like on your cover? A picture of Lupe? Some marbles? Draw a picture or find an image to use.
- 3. Create the back cover.** Write about the book. Use words and phrases that will get people to read it. Use these questions to help you.
  - Who is the main character?
  - What does she want?
  - What happens to her? Don’t give away the ending!
- 4. Present your work.** Fold a piece of paper in half so it looks like a book cover. Attach your image to the front. Then use your best handwriting to copy your summary on the back. What else is on a book cover? Add anything that your cover is missing, such as:
  - the author’s name
  - the title
  - quotes from book reviews
  - the price of the book