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# Hook Your Reader!

The first lines of a piece of writing are extremely important because:

- They set the tone for the piece.
- They invite the reader into the piece.
- They entice the audience to continue reading.

With a partner, go through your school or class library and read just the beginning of several books. Read the first few lines with a critical eye, paying attention to how each hook sets the tone, invites the reader in, and encourages them to continue reading. Decide on the three that you feel are the strongest. Take notes in the template below.

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How does the hook invite the reader in?	
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OPTION FOR APPLICATION: Select a piece of your writing. Using the hooks you selected above as inspiration, write three different hooks for your piece.