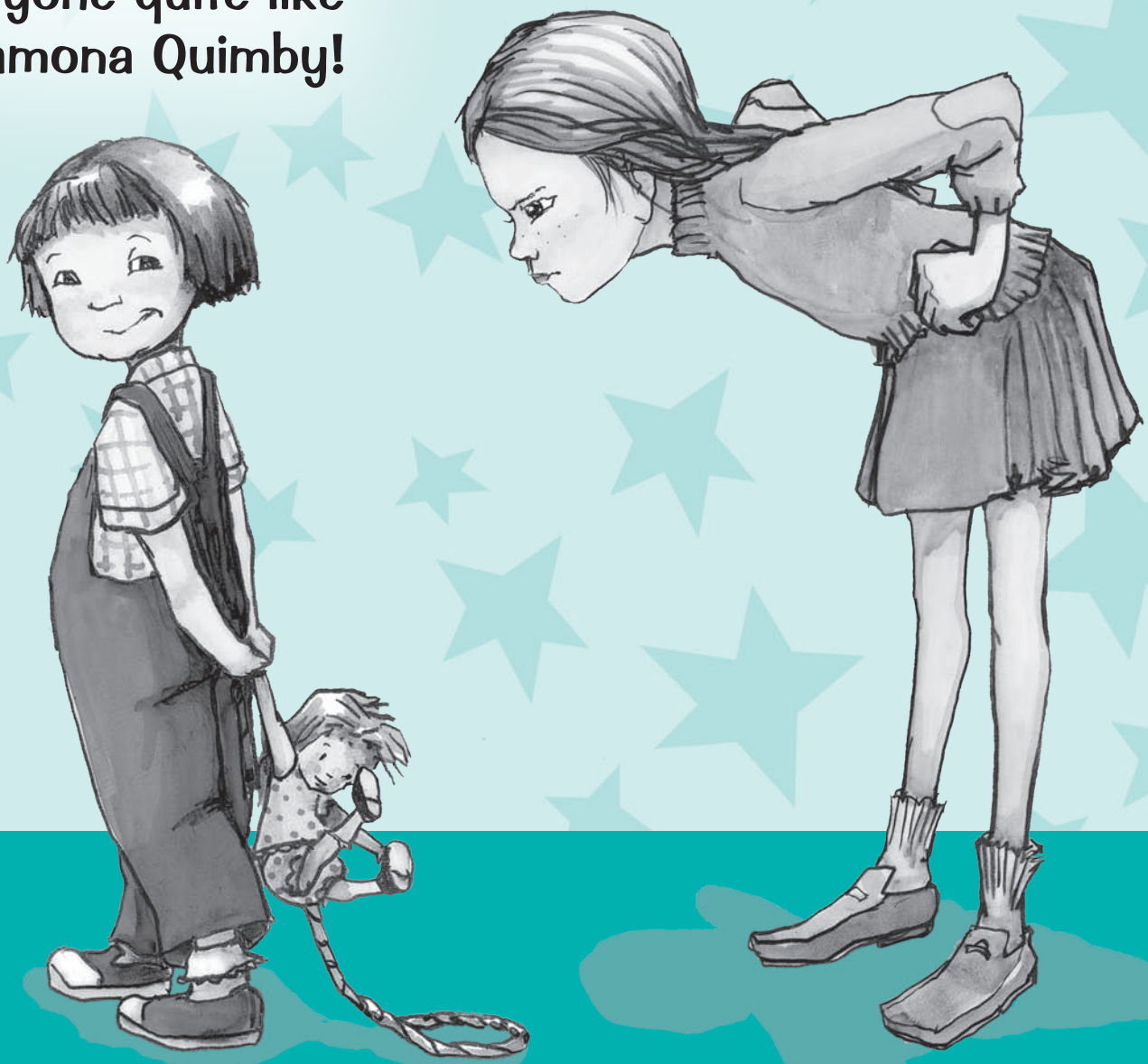


# Ramona

## ACTIVITY BOOKLET

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anyone quite like  
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# READ IT BEFORE YOU SEE IT!

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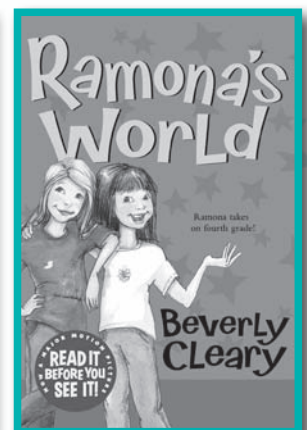
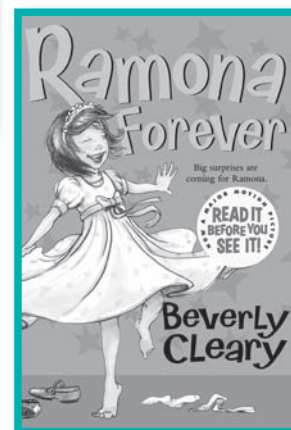
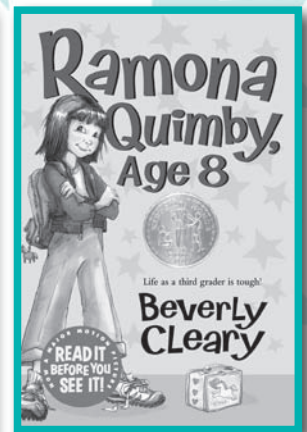
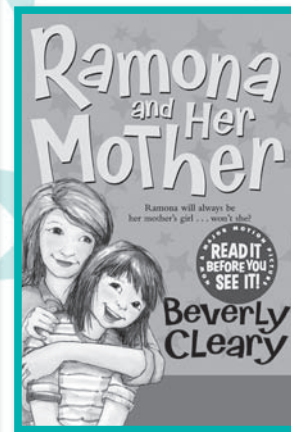
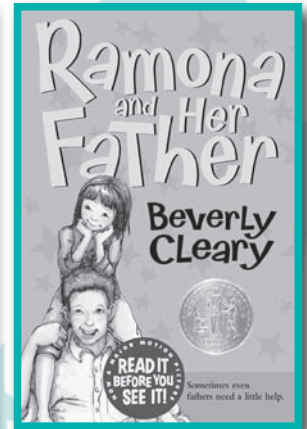
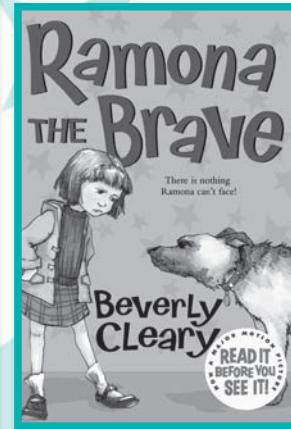
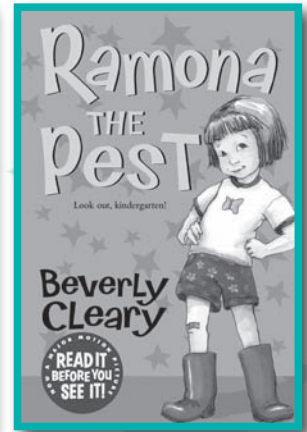
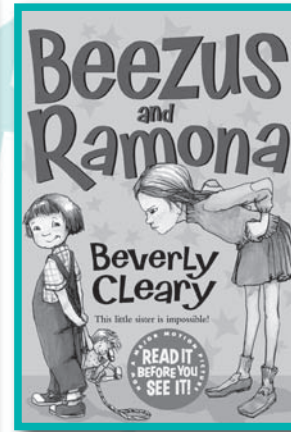
In 1955, Beverly Cleary published the first novel starring the now-famous resident of Klickitat Street, Ramona Geraldine Quimby. Starting at the age of four, and chronicling her misadventures through eight consecutive books to age ten, Ramona became and has remained everyone's favorite little sister.

Now Ramona comes to the big screen in a new film based on the classic series, starring Selena Gomez (*Wizards of Waverly Place*) as Beezus and newcomer Joey King as Ramona. Ramona's vivid imagination, boundless energy, and accident-prone antics are put to the test when she helps her family face its biggest challenge. Along the way, Ramona must deal with her overachieving older sister, Beezus, and the on-again, off-again romance between her aunt Bea and Bea's beau.

HarperCollins invites you to **Read It Before You See It** with this Ramona Event Kit. Exciting for both current fans and new readers of the Ramona series, this kit includes everything you need to host a Ramona event before the movie hits theaters in August 2010!

Everyone loves Ramona Quimby, and she loves sharing her adventures with you!

Sincerely,  
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# BEEZUS AND RAMONA CROSSWORD

How well do you know Ramona Quimby? Read each clue below and fill in the answer next to the corresponding number on the crossword grid. See if you can get all nine!

## Across

5. How old does Ramona turn in *Ramona's World*?
7. What is the name of Ramona's sister?
9. What is the name of the goody-goody in Ramona's class?

## Down

1. What street does Ramona live on?
2. Who asks Ramona to be a bridesmaid in her wedding?
3. What is the last name of the author of the Ramona books?
4. What is the first name of Ramona's neighbor and best friend?
6. What is Henry Huggins's dog's name?
8. What kind of animal is Picky-picky?

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Answers: Across: 5. Ten 7. Beatrice 9. Susan; Down: 1. Klickitat 2. Aunt Bea 3. Cleary 4. Howie 6. Ribsby 8. Cat



# PLEASE DO NOT DISTURB!

Beezus and Ramona have a special relationship as sisters, but sometimes they want a little time apart. A door hanger is a nice way to get some quiet time in your room. Here is an outline of a door hanger. Use markers, crayons, and colored pencils to decorate your door hanger. Once it's complete, carefully cut the outline of the door hanger along the dotted line. Hang it on your door knob when you want to share your message!

## Here are some suggested messages!

- ★ Sleep in Progress
- ★ Knock Before Entering
- ★ Come In!
- ★ Enter at Your Own Risk!

**Hint:** You can decorate both sides of your door hanger with different messages and flip them over depending on how you're feeling! Try two sides, like "Please Do Not Disturb" and "Come In!"



# Are You a Beezus or a Ramona?

Beezus and Ramona are sisters, but they have very different personalities. Which character are you most like?

Take the quiz below and find out!

**1. Your favorite Saturday afternoon activity would be:**

- a. Visiting the library and borrowing a stack of books you can curl up with and read for the rest of the day.
- b. Leading an invisible parade in the backyard, twirling sticks as batons, shouting orders at the onlookers, and pounding the ground with your boots.

**2. It's a busy day outside. Music is playing, car horns are honking, kids are screaming, and birds are chirping. What do you do?**

- a. Close all the windows and doors and get as far away as you can—it's too noisy!
- b. Run outside and start singing and clapping loudly! You have to join in!

**3. Your parents are hosting a dinner party at your house. When the guests arrive, you:**

- a. Take their coats and fold napkins in the kitchen. You are there to be as polite and helpful as possible.
- b. Put on a show you have been preparing all afternoon, using the dining table as your stage. These parties are boring—you're there to help make things fun!

**4. When a neighbor comes over to show you his new dog, you:**

- a. Let it lie in your lap while you pet it. Dogs are the cutest when they're resting.
- b. Take it on a run around the neighborhood as fast as you can. Dogs were meant to race!

**5. Your ideal birthday party would include:**

- a. A small group of your closest friends and family at home for presents and cake.
- b. A giant party outside with everyone you know. The sky's the limit!



**If you answered mostly As:**

You're like Beezus! You have a great time with friends and family when you can enjoy a quiet afternoon together. You are very polite and well-behaved. You enjoy reading in your spare time, and go to your closest family members when you have a problem or need advice. You are happiest in a calm, relaxing environment.

**If you answered mostly Bs:**

You're like Ramona! You're rambunctious and sometimes find yourself in a bit of trouble. You love to create noise and chaos; you have the most fun when you are free to explore and run around as much as you'd like. You are very imaginative. You are happiest in a loud, exciting environment.

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# Ramona's Fortune-Teller

Ramona loves to entertain her friends and family. Using the instructions below, make a fortune-teller and then have friends ask questions and reveal the answers!



## Supplies:

- ★ Scissors
- ★ Provided fortune sheet
- ★ Markers or colored pencils

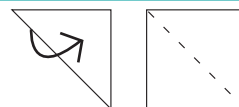
## How to Put Your Fortune-teller Together:

Step 1: Color the provided fortune sheet with markers or pencils, making sure you can still read the text.

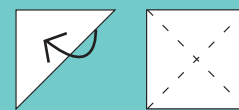
Step 2: Cut the square provided out of the sheet. Place it face down.



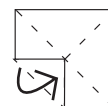
Step 3: Fold the bottom left corner to the top right corner. Unfold.



Step 4: Fold the bottom right corner to the top left corner. Unfold.



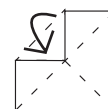
Step 5: Fold all four corners to the center of the paper. This makes a smaller square with the numbers facing up.



Step 6: Turn the paper over.



Step 7: Fold all four corners to the center of the paper. This makes an even smaller square with the numbers facing up again.



Step 8: Fold the fortune in half twice, image side out. Unfold.



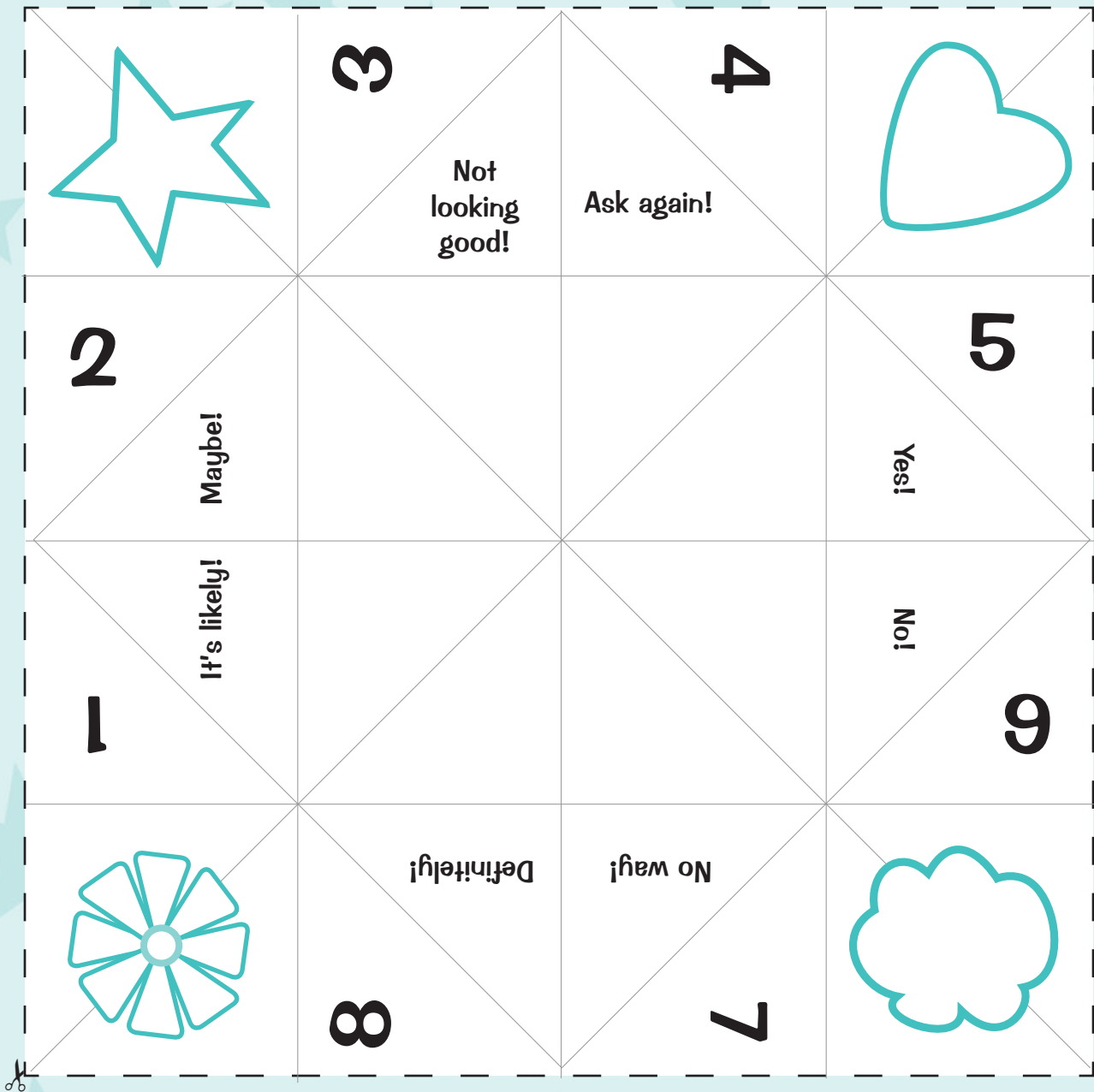
Step 9: Slip your thumbs and pointer fingers under the four flaps. One under each image. Pinch the corners together to form a top (you may need to press down the middle). Open and close your fingers to reveal different numbers!



# Ramona's Fortune-Teller

## How to Read a Friend's Fortune:

1. Have a friend ask you a yes or no question.
2. Ask the friend to choose between the four pictures on the outside of the fortune: Cloud, Star, Heart, or Flower.
3. Moving the flaps in and out and side to side in time with the letters, spell out the word your friend has chosen.
4. Open the fortune to the last letter and ask your friend to choose a number from the options showing. Count out the number while moving the flaps in and out and side to side. Ask your friend to pick another number and count it out in the same manner.
5. This time ask your friend to pick a third number and reveal the answer to his or her question written on the inside flap.



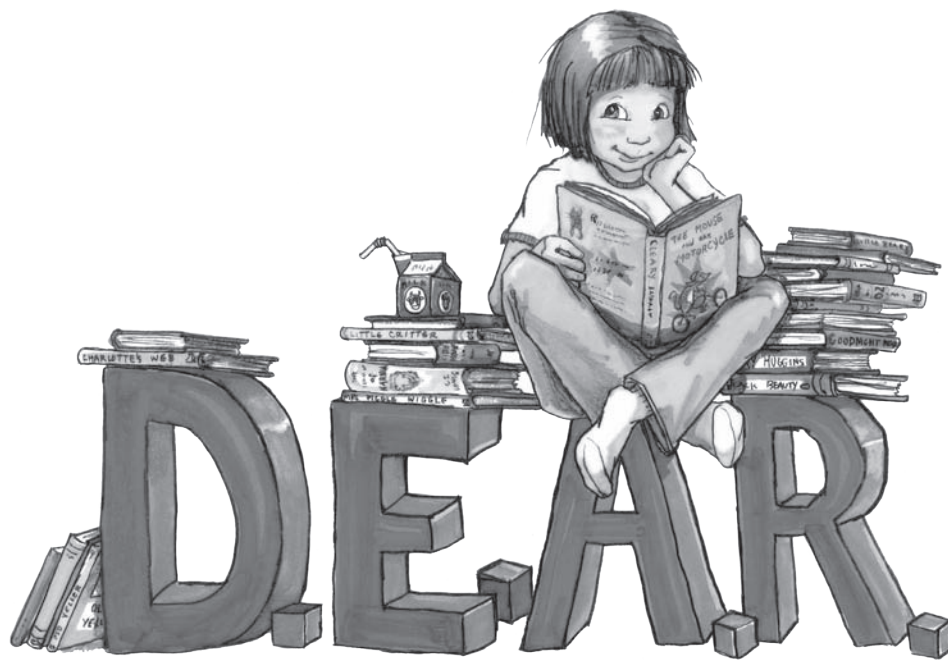
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