

Books vs Bean Bags? Part i

A year 5 & 6 class has just been told that the school is going to upgrade the school library.

Their teacher has said that this would be a great opportunity for the class to find out how that money should be spent...the teacher suggested lots of shiny new books. Immediately, hands shot up around the class and the students suggested that bean bags, comfy seating, e-readers and fast internet were much more important for the school library to get. The teacher thought about this and said..."Let's find out how people use a library. Then we can use our data to make suggestions for the school library."



Pose a question for the class to investigate and construct a survey to carry out amongst the school community. This will include students, teachers and parents as they all have an interest in how the library is used.

1. Pose a question for investigation.
2. Consider the whole school community as the population and choose a suitable sample to survey.
3. Design a questionnaire to survey the sample.