

You Can't Judge a Book by Its Cover... But Can You Judge a Book by Its First Line?

Alice was beginning to get very tired of sitting by her sister on the bank, and of having nothing to do: once or twice she had peeped into the book her sister was reading, but it had no pictures or conversations in it, 'and what is the use of a book,' thought Alice 'without pictures or conversation?'

Answer the following questions, basing your answer on the sentence above.

1. What do you think this book is likely to be about? What led you to this prediction?

2. What kind of book do you expect it will be (a mystery, a romance...)?

3. What is the book's setting (contemporary or historical, city or country, etc.)?

4. Who are the book's characters likely to be?

5. Do you think you would be interested in reading this book? Why or why not?

6. Use your research skills to determine the title and author of the book from which this first line was taken:

TITLE _____

AUTHOR _____

