



20 Book 3-4 grade list 2017-18

"The One and Only Ivan" Katherine Applegate
"Mr. Popper's Penguins" Richard Atwater
"Lincoln and Kennedy: A Pair to Compare" Gene Barretta
"Freckle Juice" Judy Blume
"Bobbie the Wonder Dog" Tricia Brown
"Tornado" Betsy Byar
"Muggie Maggie" Beverly Cleary
"Tricking the Tallyman" Jaqueline Davies
"Because of Winn-Dixie" Kate DiCamillo
"Phineas T. MacGuire... Erupts!: The First Experiment" Frances Dowell
"By The Great Horn Spoon!" Syd Fleischman
"Boxes for Katje" Candace Fleming
"My Father's Dragon" Ruth Stiles Gannett
"Sheep" Valerie Hobbs
"Nim's Island" Wendy Orr
"Clementine" Sara Pennypacker
"Knights of the Kitchen Table" Jon Scieszka
"Boxcar Children" Gertrude Warner
"Charlotte's Web" E.B. White
"You Never Heard of Sandy Koufax?!" Jonah Winter

20 Book 5-6th Grade list 2017-18

"The White Mountains (Tripods Series #1) John Christopher
"Ice Magic" Matt Christopher
"What's the Big Idea, Ben Franklin?" Jean Fritz
"My Side of the Mountain" Jean George
"Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library" Chris Grabenstein
"Redwall (Redwall Series #1) Brian Jacques
"Unusual Chickens for the Exceptional Poultry Farmer" Kelly Jones
"Harry's Mad" Dick King-Smith
"Masterminds" Gordon Korman
"A Wrinkle in Time" Madeline L'Engle
"Ella Enchanted" Gail Carson Levine
"Number the Stars" Lois Lowry
"Wonder" R.J. Palacio
"Hatchet" Gary Paulsen
"Scared Stiff" Willo Davis-Roberts
"Esperanza Rising" Pam Munoz-Ryan
"Brothers at Bat: The True Story of an Amazing All-Brothers Baseball Team" Audrey Vernick
"On the Banks of Plum Creek" Laura Ingalls Wilder
"Love, Ruby Lavender" Deborah Wiles
"Castle in the Attic" Elizabeth Winthrop



March 20-21

3rd-4th Grades: 9:15-10:45
5th-6th Grades: 12:45-2:15

FAQs

Do the students have to read every book on the list?

Each team has divided up the 20 books. The teams that do the best read more than just their assigned books. Teams get to discuss each question for 30 seconds before answering; if only one student has read the book, there's no one to discuss with!

How are the books chosen?

The program is run by the national organization America's Battle of the Books. They select the titles (50% at grade level, 25% above level, and 25% below level) and provide the questions.

How does Battle Day work?

Each team will play 3 rounds against other teams during school on Tuesday, March 20, in the gym. 3rd-4th grade teams will compete in the morning and 5th-6th teams after lunch. The 8 top-scoring teams will advance to the semifinals on Wednesday, March 21. Spots will be based solely on point totals, so if Team A wins their round with 18 points and Team C wins their round with 25 points, Team C will advance.

What are the questions like?

All the questions follow this format: "In what book does..." The answer to every question is the title of a book and the author. Teams have 30 seconds to discuss the question. Teams earn 5 points for knowing the correct book title and 2 points for the author's name. If a team gets either part of the answer wrong, the other team will have a chance to steal the points.

What happens if our team wins?

Alpine School District hosts a district championship for 5th-6th teams only. It will be Saturday, March 24 at American Fork Junior High School from 8-12. We will honor all our winning Segó Lily teams at a school assembly after the competition ends. We will also award a prize to any student who reads all 20 books.

How can I support my student?

Encourage them to read as many books as they can! These are great books, and many are short. Practice questions are available in the library and the teachers have a set as well. Some teams make shirts or hats or wear the same color on battle day. Some teams meet after school to practice questions, memorize authors and titles, and discuss the books. We will also need lots of parent help on battle day to read the questions and keep score.

I still have questions. Who can I ask?

Contact our Segó Lily PTA coordinator, Kristen Crockett (kristenhcrockett@hotmail.com) or 801-472-1542) or visit www.battleofthebooks.org