



Battle of the Books 2016-2017

Battle of the Books is a fast-paced trivia contest open to 5th grade students. Students may read any of the books on this list over the summer, but team selection and practice will not begin until late fall/early winter. Each student typically reads three to five of the books to prepare for working with a team. Because many students who enjoy Battle of the Books also challenge themselves to read the Rebecca Caudill Award nominees, several of the Battle books have been chosen from those nominees. These books have been chosen based on recommendations from students, librarians, and literacy coaches. Remember that not every book is appropriate or enjoyable for everyone. Choose the titles that work best for your tastes and sensibilities.

The Brilliant Fall of Gianna Z by Kate Messner

The Graduation of Jake Moon by Barbara Park

The Fourteenth Goldfish by Jennifer Holm

Freaky Friday by Mary Rodgers

Rhyme Schemer by K.A. Holt

Gone Fishing: A Novel in Verse by Tamera Will Wissinger

Stormbreaker by Anthony Horowitz

Eddie Red Undercover: Mystery of the Museum Mile by Marcia Wells

The War that Saved My Life by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

Yellow Star by Jennifer Roy

Peak by Roland Smith

Within Reach: My Everest Story by Mark Pfetzer and Jack Galvin

Running Out Time by Margaret Peterson Haddix

First Light by Rebecca Stead

Swindle by Gordon Korman

Last Man's Reward by David Patneaude

Tale of Despereaux by by Kate DiCamillo

Ragweed by Avi and Brian Floca