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# "BATTLE OF THE BOOKS" ENTRY FORM Junior Division 2010

Yes! Our School would like to enter a team for this year's Battle of the Books.

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

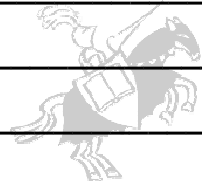
Team Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Coordinator Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*By signing above you are agreeing to follow the rules of the Battle of the Books.*

Please complete this form and fax it to the representative as listed below by January 15th. Please contact us if you do not receive a response to your fax within 5 business days.



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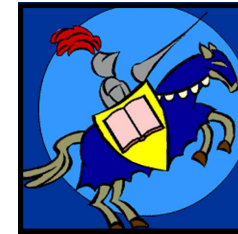
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### Key Dates

Registration: Due January 15, 2010  
Semi-Final: April 20, 2010 - 12:30 p.m.  
Final Battle: April 27, 2010 - 12:30 p.m.  
Regional Final: April 29, 2010 - 6:30 p.m.



# BATTLE OF THE BOOKS



## Durham Region Public Libraries 2010 Battle of the Books -JUNIOR- Official Rules and Booklist

### Our Goals

**Students:** Have fun reading good books from a wide variety of authors and genres.

**Educators:** Encourage reading, foster friendly competition, and nurture the love of books in young people.

**Libraries:** Encourage young people to read a wide variety of books and to engage with their local library.



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"Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body."  
-Joseph Addison

## 2010 BATTLE OF THE BOOKS BOOKLIST

Grades 4/5/6

### ADVENTURE

The Somebodies by N.E. Bode  
Calder Game by Blue Balliett  
Camp X: Fool's Gold by Eric Walters  
The Kite Fighters by Linda Sue Park  
Ten Lessons for Kaspar Snit by Cary Fagan  
Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt

### FANTASY

Alcatraz Versus the Evil Librarians by Brandon Sanderson  
Dragon's Blood by Jane Yolen  
Jellaby by Kean Soo  
The People of Sparks by Jeanne DuPrau  
The Sea of Monsters by Rick Riordan  
Voyage of the Dawn Treader by C.S. Lewis

### FAVOURITES

Harriet the Spy by Louise Fitzhugh  
Mina's Sprint of Colors by Rachna Gilmore  
The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster  
Ramona the Pest by Beverly Cleary  
Shiloh by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor  
That Scatterbrain Booky by Bernice Thurman Hunter

### HUMOUR

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Greg Heffley's Journal by Jeff Kinney  
Hotel for Dogs by Lois Duncan  
Otherwise Known as Sheila the Great by Judy Blume  
The Slippery Slope by Lemony Snicket  
Schooled by Gordon Korman  
Zombie Butts from Uranus! By Andy Griffiths

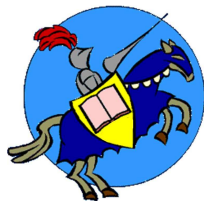
### MYSTERY

39 Clues: Maze of Bones by Rick Riordan  
The Case of the Left-Handed Lady by Nancy Springer  
Egypt Game by Zilpha Keatley Snyder  
Hoot by Carl Hiaasen  
Sisters Grimm: The Fairy-Tale Detectives #1 by Michael Buckley  
South by Southeast by Anthony Horowitz

### SILVER BIRCH

Titles to follow when lists become available.

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## JUNIOR BATTLE OF THE BOOKS 2010 OFFICIAL RULES

1.) One team of **six students from grades 4, 5 or 6** will represent each school. **A maximum of three team members will be in grade 6.** Method of selection of team members is decided by the team coordinator at each school.

**NOTE:** Up to **three substitutes** may rotate between the rounds of play. There must never be more than three team members in grade six competing at one time, so keep that in mind when selecting substitute players. **No team shall have more than nine players in total** (six regular team members and three substitutes).

2.) **Each team will have a spokesperson** designated by the team coordinator. While the team is encouraged to discuss possible answers, **team answers will only be accepted from the spokesperson.**

3.) The Semi-Finals will consist of three rounds of play, and the Finals will have one round. Each round features a Regular Battle and a Lightning Battle.

4.) **Regular Battle questions will be addressed to teams alternately**, regardless of the last correct answer. There will be 12 Regular Battle questions per round. When asked a question teams will have **20 seconds** to provide the book's title and author (see booklist).

5.) During this 20-second time period the team to which a question is addressed may have the question repeated as many times as they wish but this will cut into the allotted time to provide an answer. The team may give a **maximum of three title and three author guesses per question** via the spokesperson.

6.) **Five points** will be given if the team correctly identifies the **exact title**, and **three points** will be awarded for correctly identifying the **author's surname**. The author's first name does not need to be identified.

7.) The **Lightning Battles** will be featured at the end of each round. Lightning Battles consist of a **2 minute, 30 seconds time period** during which each team is asked up to 12 questions. These questions concern details of the books and will not require teams to identify titles or authors. Each correctly answered Lightning Battle question will be worth three points. In the Lightning Battles, teams submit as many guesses as they wish to each question but this will use up time. Scores from the Lightning Battles will be added to the scores from the Regular Battles.

8.) If a team disagrees with the moderator's initial ruling on an answer the team may **challenge** the ruling immediately after the Regular question or immediately after the end of the Lightning Battle. A team may only challenge rulings on its own answers. Moderators will either confirm their original ruling or may provide a **randomly selected alternative question** as a substitution.

★ There may be no help from coordinators or spectators.  
★ The moderator's decisions will be final.  
★ All decisions made by the Battle Committee are final.

9.) When a **tie-breaker** is necessary each team in the tie-breaker will be asked extra Lightning Battle questions. **The spokesperson must provide one correct answer within twenty seconds.** No guesses will be allowed and an incorrect answer will result in elimination. The last team standing wins the tie-breaker round.

10.) The **top three** teams from the Semi-Finals in each municipality will go on to play in their municipal Finals. The gold medal teams from the Finals competitions will go on to represent their municipalities in the Durham Regional Championship.

