

Register today!

"BATTLE OF THE BOOKS" ENTRY FORM Senior 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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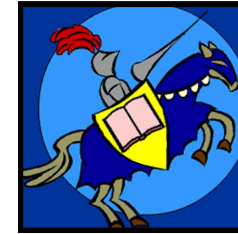
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Key Dates

Registration: Due January 15, 2010
Semi-Final: April 22, 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 -SENIOR- 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 7/8

ADVENTURE

Akhenaten Adventure by Phillip Kerr
The Amulet of Samarkand by Jonathan Stroud
Brian's Winter by Gary Paulsen
Irish Chain by Barbara Haworth-Attard
Pirates! The true and remarkable adventures of Minerva Sharpe and Nancy Kington, female pirates by Celia Rees
Starclimber by Kenneth Opel

FAMILY LIFE

Alexandria of Africa by Eric Walters
The Crazy Man by Pamela Porter
Dust by Arthur Slade
Janey's Girl by Gayle Friesen
Parvana's Journey by Deborah Ellis
Small Steps by Louis Sachar

FANTASY

Artemis Fowl: The Lost Colony by Eoin Colfer
Freewalker by Dennis Foon
Inkspell by Cornelia Funke
Kingdom Keepers: Disney After Dark by Ridley Pearson
Pretties by Scott Westerfeld
The Summoning by Kelley Armstrong

FAVOURITES

Charlie Wilcox by Sharon McKay
Evil Star by Anthony Horowitz
Heck Superhero by Martine Leavitt
Out from Boneville by Jeff Smith
The Pilgrims of Rayne by D. J. MacHale
Twilight by Stephenie Meyer

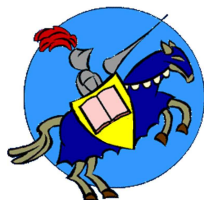
MYSTERY

Death in the Air by Shane Peacock
The Face on the Milk Carton by Carolyn Cooney
The Legend of the Lost Jewels by Jennifer Lanthier
Lulu Dark Can See Through Walls by Bennett Madison
Mediator # 1: Shadowland by Meg Cabot
The Ruby in the Smoke by Philip Pullman

Red Maple

Titles to follow when lists become available.

Check www.oshawalibrary.on.ca for updates.



SENIOR BATTLE OF THE BOOKS 2010 OFFICIAL RULES

1.) One team of **six students from grades 7 or 8** will represent each school. 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. **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 keep 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.

