

OFFICIAL RULES

2022 BOOKLIST

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 10 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. **Three 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 min., 30 sec. time period** during which each team is asked up to 10 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 **five 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.
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 20 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.

ADVENTURE

- Atlantis: The Accidental Invasion**
by Gregory Mone
- City Spies** by James Ponti
- The Fabulous Zed Watson!**
by Basil & Kevin Sylvester
- Hatchet** by Gary Paulsen
- Once Every Never**
by Lesley Livingston
- The Vanished** by Nic Stone

FAMILY

- The False Prince**
by Jennifer A. Nielsen
- The King of Jam Sandwiches**
by Eric Walters
- The List of Things That Will Not Change** by Rebecca Stead
- The Science of Breakable Things**
by Tae Keller
- Things Too Huge to Fix by Saying Sorry** by Susan Vaught
- Wonder** by R.J. Palacio

HISTORICAL

- Call Across the Sea** by Kathy Kacer
- Elephant Run** by Roland Smith
- The Night Diary** by Veera Hiranandani
- Prairie Lotus** by Linda Sue Park
- Show me a Sign** by Ann Clare LeZotte
- War Horse** by Michael Morpurgo

CONTEMPORARY

- Linked** by Gordon Korman
- New Kid** [graphic novel]
by Jerry Craft
- Red Wolf** by Jennifer Dance
- Refugee** by Alan Gratz
- Tremendous Things**
by Susin Nielsen
- Wink** by Rob Harrell

FANTASY

- City of the Plague God**
by Sarwat Chadda
- Inkheart** by Cornelia Funke
- Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children** by Ransom Riggs
- Rebel Rose** by Emma Theriault
- The Trials of Morrigan Crow**
by Jessica Townsend
- The Winning**
by Vikki VanSickle