



2000-2001 Battle of the Books

Book List

JUDY BLUME

TALES OF A FOURTH GRADE NOTHING : Any fourth grader would agree that Peter Hatcher has a terrible problem - his 2-year-old brother.

ANDREW CLEMENTS

FRINDLE : When he decides to turn his fifth grade teacher's love of the dictionary around on her, clever Nick Allen invents a new word and begins a chain of events that quickly moves beyond his control.

JANE LESLIE CONLEY

RACSO AND THE RATS OF NIMH : The famous rats of NIMH are facing a new crisis - humans plan to build a dam that will flood the valley and destroy their homes! Can they stop it?

BRUCE COVILLE

INTO THE LAND OF THE UNICORNS : Leap with Cara into Luster, the land of the unicorns, and meet up with many unusual characters - both good and bad.

CHRISTOPHER PAUL CURTIS

THE WATSONS GO TO BIRMINGHAM : When Dad shows up with the amazing Ultra-Glide the family trip from Flint to Alabama in the year 1963 is a trip like no other. A trip right into one of the darkest moments in America's history.

NANCY FARMER

THE EAR, THE EYE, AND THE ARM : are mutant detectives from 2194 who must find three kidnapped children of Zimbabwe's General Matsika before the lawless gangs do.

SID FLEISCHMAN

BY THE GREAT HORN SPOON : Travel by ship with two stowaways in potato barrels from Boston to San Francisco during the 1849 Gold Rush Days.

E.L. KONIGSBURG

FROM THE MIXED-UP FILES OF MRS. BASIL E. FRANKWEILER : If you've ever thought about running away, you can share the experience of two children who hide out in a museum.

BETTE LORD

IN THE YEAR OF THE BOAR AND JACKIE ROBINSON : Shirley Temple Wong sails from China to America with a heart full of dreams. It is 1947, and Jackie Robinson is everyone's hero, including Shirley's.

BEN MIKAELSEN

STRANDED : Can 12-year-old Koby, a girl with a disability, save the lives of two injured pilot whales near her home in the Florida Keys?

PHYLLIS REYNOLDS NAYLOR

SHILOH : This is a gripping story of a mountain boy's love for a dog he is hiding from its vicious owner.

BARBARA PARK

MY MOTHER GOT MARRIED AND OTHER DISASTERS : Can Charlie adjust to his new stepfamily when he still has not adjusted to his parents' divorce? Read this funny, poignant book and find out.

**CAROLYN
REEDER**

CAPTAIN KATE : Since the death of her father, nothing has been right for 12-year-old Kate; and now her mother's recent marriage threatens to destroy the one thing dear to her-the annual trip down the C&O Canal.

**WILLO DAVIS
ROBERTS**

THE GIRL WITH THE SILVER EYES : Katie can make things move just by thinking about them. She'll have you turning the pages right to the end!

J. K. ROWLING

HARRY POTTER AND THE CHAMBER OF SECRETS : Harry is anxious to end his dreaded summer holiday with his nasty relatives, but as he packs his bags for the fall term, Harry receives a warning that threatens his return to Hogwarts School of Wizardry.

LOUIS SACHAR

HOLES : Stanley Yelnats did not come from a lucky family, so when a pair of sneakers drops out of nowhere he thinks his luck is about to change. Indeed it is, but digging holes in the blistering Texas sun is not what he had in mind.

**GRAHAM
SALISBURY**

UNDER THE BLOOD-RED SUN : It is December 1941, and all Japanese-American Tomi really cares about is playing baseball with his buddies, the Rats. Baseball and life turn really complicated when the Japanese bomb nearby Pearl Harbor.

**WILLIAM
SLEATOR**

INTO THE DREAM : Paul and his classmate Francine share the same nightmare and realize that they must use their special powers of ESP to save themselves and a little boy.

**ELIZABETH
GEORGE SPEARE**

SIGN OF THE BEAVER : 13-year-old Matt's survival in the 1760 Maine wilderness may depend very much on the good will of his new Indian friends.

**VIVIAN VANDE
VELDE**

SMART DOG : What would you do if a dog stopped you on the sidewalk and said, "Excuse me, I'm in trouble. Could you please help me?" This is how Amy gets involved with F-32-an escaped dog from a university laboratory.

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