



2019-2020 Battle of the Books

Book List

- ARDEN** **SMALL SPACES:** After eleven-year-old Ollie's school bus mysteriously breaks down on a field trip, she has to take a trip through scary woods, and must use all of her wits to survive. She must stick to small spaces. (CD, O, OA)
- AUGUST** **ARLO FINCH IN THE VALLEY OF FIRE:** When Arlo Finch moves to Pine Mountain, Colorado, he has no idea what's in store for him in this tiny town full of mystery and magic. When he joins the Rangers, Pine Mountain's version of the Boy Scouts, it leads him into adventures he never thought possible. Wilderness and magical powers collide throughout the beautiful, dense forest surrounding his new home, and as Arlo begins to learn the way of the Rangers, he also discovers courage, strength, and a destiny he never knew he possessed. (CD, O, OA)
- BURG** **UNBOUND:** The day nine-year-old Grace is called to work in the kitchen in the Big House, everyone warns her to keep her head down and her thoughts to herself, but the more she sees of the oppressive Master and his hateful wife, the more she questions things until one day her thoughts escape--and to avoid being separated she and her family flee into the Dismal Swamp, to join the other escaped slaves who live there. (CD, O, OA, HA)
- FOLEY** **REMARKABLE:** Ten-year-old Jane Doe, the only student average enough to be excluded from the town of Remarkable's School for the Remarkably Gifted, is joined at her public school by the trouble-making Gimlet twins, who lead her on a series of adventures involving an out-of-control science fair project, a pirate captain on the run from a mutinous crew, a lonely dentist, and a newly constructed bell tower that endangers Remarkable's most beloved inhabitant--a skittish lake monster named Lucky. (O)
- GRABENSTEIN** **ESCAPE FROM MR. LEMONCELLO'S LIBRARY:** Twelve-year-old Kyle gets to stay overnight in the new town library, designed by his hero (the famous game maker Luigi Lemoncello), with other students but finds that come morning he must work with friends to solve puzzles in order to escape. (CD, O, OA)
- HOLM** **SUNNY SIDE UP:** Following the lives of kids whose older brother's delinquent behavior has thrown their family into chaos, 'Sunny Side Up' is at once a compelling 'problem' story and a love letter to the comic books that help the protagonist make sense of her world (O)
- JONELL** **THE SECRET OF ZOOM:** Ten-year-old Christina lives a sheltered life until she discovers a secret tunnel, an evil plot to enslave orphans, and a mysterious source of energy known as zoom. (O)

KHAN	POWER FORWARD: Fourth-grader Zayd yearns to play basketball on the Gold Team, but when he skips orchestra rehearsal to practice, his parents forbid anything basketball-related, and tryouts are coming soon. (O)
LORD	RULES: Twelve-year-old Catherine just wants a normal life. Which is near impossible when you have a brother with autism and a family that revolves around his disability. She's spent years trying to teach David the rules in order to stop his embarrassing behaviors. But the summer Catherine meets Jason, a paraplegic boy, and Kristi, the next-door friend she's always wished for, it's her own shocking behavior that turns everything upside down and forces her to ask: What is normal? (CD, O, OA)
MAGRAS	MAD WOLF'S DAUGHTER: In 1210 Scotland, when invading knights capture 12-year-old Drest's father, the Mad Wolf of the North, and her beloved brothers who make up his fearsome war-band, she sets off to rescue them from the castle prison, taking along a wounded knight as her captive to trade for her family's freedom. (O, OA)
PARRY	THE TURN OF THE TIDE: After a devastating tsunami in Japan, cousins Jet and Kai spend the summer together in Astoria, Oregon, training for the Young's Bay Treasure Island Race and become close friends in the process. (O)
PENNYPACKER	WAYLON! ONE AWESOME THING: Waylon, a boy with the mind of a scientific genius and the vulnerable heart of an eight year old, is trying to understand his older sister and deal with changes among the kids at school. (O, OA, H)
SLOAN	APPLEBLOSSOM THE POSSUM: A young possum strikes out on her own and winds up trapped in a human house before her brothers can rescue her. (CD, O, OA)
WEEKS	PIE: After the death of Polly Portman, whose award-winning pies put the town of Ipswitch, Pennsylvania, on the map in the 1950s, her devoted niece Alice and Alice's friend Charlie investigate who is going to extremes to find Aunt Polly's secret pie crust recipe. Includes fourteen pie recipes. (CD, O)
ZHANG	THE MEMORY OF FORGOTTEN THINGS: Twelve-year-old Sophia has never told anyone about her unusual memories--snapshots of a past that never happened. She becomes convinced that the upcoming solar eclipse will grant her the opportunity to make her alternate life come true, to enter a world where her mother never died. With the help of two misfit boys, she must figure out a way to bring her mother back to her--before the opportunity is lost forever. (O)

Additional format codes:

- (O) Available in electronic print format – OverDrive
- (H) Available in electronic print format - Hoopla
- (CD) Audio available on CD
- (OA) Available in electronic audio format –OverDrive
- (HA) Available in electronic audio format –Hoopla