

Battle Coordinators may register teams by doing the following:

- Visit the Battle website at bookbattle.ca.
- Click on the **Register** tab.

Contact us if you do not receive a response within five business days.

Please remember to register separately for the Junior division (Grades 4, 5 and 6) and the Senior division Battles (Grades 7 and 8).

Thank you!

For full set of rules, please go to

<http://www.bookbattle.ca/downloads/JrSrRules.pdf>

Key Dates

Registration:	Closes January 28
Semi-Final:	April 2 12:30 p.m.
Final Battle:	April 9 12:30 p.m.
Regional Final:	April 11 6:30 p.m.

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS

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Official Rules & Booklist



2018 Champions, William Dunbar Public School (Pickering)

*A book, too, can be a star, a living fire to lighten the
darkness, leading out into the expanding universe.*

~ Madeleine L'Engle ~

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OFFICIAL RULES

2019 BOOKLIST

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. 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 at the end of each round. They consist of a **2 min., 30 sec. time period** during which each team is asked up to 10 questions about 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. Lightning Battle and Regular Battle scores will be added together.
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.
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

Mouseheart, Lisa Fiedler

The Mad Wolf's Daughter,
Diane Magras

Hello, Universe,
Erin Entrada Kelly

The Someday Birds, Sally J Pla

Race to the End of the World,
A.L. Tait

**Innocent Heroes [Stories of
Animals in the First World War]**,
Sigmund Brouwer

HUMOUR

The Bad Beginning,
Lemony Snicket

Nightmares!, Jason Segel
and Kirsten Miller

The Door in the Alley,
Adrienne Kress

Ban This Book, Alan Gratz

House of Robots,
James Patterson and
Chris Grabenstein

**The Misadventures of the
Family Fletcher**,
Dana Alison Levy

FANTASY

Dragon Rider, Cornelia Funke

Wild Born, Brandon Mull

The Serpent's Secret,
Sayantani DasGupta

Bob, Wendy Mass
and Rebecca Stead

**Holly Farb and the Princess of
the Galaxy**,
Gareth Wronski

The Menagerie,
Tui and Kari Sutherland

MYSTERY

Mission Unstoppable,
Dan Gutman

Masterminds, Gordon Korman

**The Case of the Missing
Moonstone**, Jordan Stratford

The Mask that Sang,
Susan Currie

Chase, Linwood Barclay

The House Next Door,
Joel Sutherland

FAVOURITES

Flora & Ulysses: The Illuminated Adventures, Kate DiCamillo

Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets, J.K. Rowling

Rocket Blues, David Skuy

The Journey of Little Charlie, Christopher Paul Curtis

The Wind in the Willows, Kenneth Grahame

The Breadwinner [Graphic Novel], Shelley Tanaka