



Battle Of the Books - 2018
Reading List - Grades 4 & 5



***The way this book must be written for "The Battle"**

1. *Love, Ruby Lavender* by Deborah Wiles * Ruby Lavender - Wiles
Pub. 2005 (AR 4.2) pages 240
Ruby Lavender used to have a good life. She and her grandmother, Miss Eula, were inseparable. But this summer, Miss Eula will be in Hawaii, and Ruby's sure it'll be a lonely, empty, horrible season without her.
2. *The Bad Beginning* by Lemony Snicket * Bad Beginning - Snicket
Pub. 1999 (AR 6.4) pages 162
After the sudden death of their parents, the three Baudelaire children must depend on each other and their wits when it turns out the distant relative who is appointed their guardian is determined to use any means necessary to get their fortune.
3. *Crenshaw* by Katherine Applegate * Crenshaw - Applegate
Pub. 2015 (AR 3.8) pages 245
Fearing his family will have to move back into their minivan when they suffer another financial setback, Jackson finds support and comfort through his friendship with a giant imaginary cat.
4. *One Crazy Summer* by Rita Williams-Garcia * Summer – Williams-Garcia
Pub. 2010 (AR 4.6) pages 218
In 1968, after traveling from Brooklyn to Oakland to spend a month with the mother they barely know, 11-year-old Delphine and her sisters arrive to a cold welcome as they discover their mother wants them to attend a Black Panther summer camp.
5. *El Deafo* by Cece Bell * El Deafo - Bell
Pub. 2014 (AR 2.7) pages 233
In this graphic-novel memoir, author/illustrator Cece Bell chronicles her hearing loss at a young age and her experiences with the Phonic Ear, a very powerful and very awkward hearing aid.
6. *The War That Saved My Life* by Kimberly B. Bradley * The War - Bradley
Pub. 2015 (AR 4.1) pages 316
A young disabled girl and her brother are evacuated from London to the English countryside during World War II, where they find life to be much sweeter away from their abusive mother.
7. *Capture the Flag* by Kate Messner * Capture the Flag - Messner
Pub. 2012 (AR 4.5) pages 231
When the original Star Spangled Banner is stolen, seventh-graders Anne, José, and Henry, all descendants of the Silver Jaguar Society, pursue suspects on airport carts and through baggage handling tunnels while stranded at an airport.
8. *Story Thieves* by James Riley * Story Thieves - Riley
Pub. 2015 (AR 5.1) pages 383
Owen's life is boring until he sees his classmate Bethany climb out of a book in the school library. He learns Bethany is half-fictional and has been searching every book she can find for her missing father, a fictional character.
9. *Regarding the Fountain* by Kate Klise * The Fountain - Klise
Pub. 1998 (AR 5.8) pages 138
When the principal asks a fifth grader to write a letter regarding the purchase of a new drinking fountain for their school, he finds that all sorts of chaos results.
10. *Chasing Vermeer* by Blue Balliett * Chasing Vermeer - Balliett
Pub. 2005 (AR 5.4) pages 254
When seemingly unrelated and strange events start to happen and a precious Vermeer painting disappears, eleven-year-olds Petra and Calder combine their talents to solve an international art scandal.