



**B**attle **O**f the **B**ooks - 2019

Reading List

Grades 6, 7 & 8

**\*The way this book must be written for “The Battle”**

1. *Ghost* by Jason Reynolds \* Ghost - Reynolds

Pub. 2016 --- 192 pages

Ghost wants to be the fastest sprinter on his elite middle-school track team, but his past is slowing him down.

2. *The Night Gardener* by Jonathan Auxier \* Night Gardener - Auxier

Pub. 2014 --- 368 pages

Irish orphans Molly, age fourteen, and Kip, age ten, travel to England to work as servants in an old manor house, and soon the siblings are confronted by a mysterious stranger and secrets of the cursed house.

3. *Beyond the Bright Sea* by Lauren Wolk \* Bright Sea - Wolk

Pub. 2018 --- 320 pages

Twelve-year-old orphan Crow embarks on a journey to discover who her parents were and why they abandoned her as an infant.

4. *The Worst Class Trip Ever* by Dave Barry \* Worst Class - Barry

Pub. 2015 --- 224 pages

Attending a class trip in Washington, D.C., Wyatt and his friends encounter a group of mysterious men and find themselves dodging their long-suffering teachers to stop what may be a plot against the president.

5. *Hello, Universe* by Erin Entrada Kelly \* Hello, Universe - Kelly

Pub. 2017 --- 320 pages

The lives of four misfits are intertwined when a bully's prank lands shy Virgil at the bottom of a well and Valencia, Kaori, and Gen band together in an epic quest to find and rescue him.