

## 2018-19 Oregon Battle of the Books

### Grades 3-5 Annotated Booklist

*Note to parents: Oregon Battle of the Books Division 1 is open to third, fourth and fifth grade students. However, the titles are selected with the reading level and maturity of fourth and fifth graders in mind. You may feel that the content and/or theme of one or two of these titles are inappropriate for your child. We recommend that you read and discuss these books with your child. A book that stretches a child's thinking is a great opportunity to discuss world events and your family's values.*

**Book Scavenger** by Jennifer Chambliss Bertman (2015)

Mystery AR level 5.5; points 11, 310L, 354 pages

Emily and her friend follow the clues in an odd book hoping to discover its secrets.

**George** by Alex Gino (2015)

Mystery AR level 5.0; points 4, 790L, 195 pages

Ten-year-old George wants to be Charlotte in the school production of "Charlotte's Web".

**Hana's Suitcase** Karen Levine (2003)

Nonfiction Biography AR level 5.0; points 2, 730L, 135 pages

Biography of a young girl who died in the Holocaust.

**The Hero's Guide to Saving Your Kingdom** by Christopher Healy (2012)

Fantasy AR level 5.0; points 12, 750L, 438 pages

The prince rescuers of Sleeping Beauty, Cinderella, Snow White and Rapunzel discover an evil plot that threatens all of their kingdoms.

**In the Footsteps of Crazy Horse** by Joseph Marshall III (2015)

Historical Fiction AR level 4.7; points 4, 620L, 165 pages

Jimmy journeys with his grandfather, learning about his Lakota heritage from his grandfather's tales.

**The Infinity Year of Avalon James** by Dana Middleton (2016)

Fantasy AR level 4.2; points 7, 610L, 214 pages

Facing bullying at home, Avalon waits with her best friend for the magical power they are supposed to inherit between their tenth and eleventh birthdays.

**Nightbird** by Alice Hoffman (2015)

(Magical Realism) AR level 5.4; points 6, 840L, 199 pages

Twig's family has a secret. When new neighbors move in, will Twig continue to keep it?

**Pip Bartlett's Guide to Magical Creatures** by Jackson Pearce and Maggie Stiefvater (2016)

Fantasy AR level 4.7; points 5, 690L, 184 pages

Pip is spending a fun summer with her aunt until Fuzzles appear and start bursting into flames.

**Real Friends** by Shannon Hale and illustrated by LeUyen Pham (2017)

Graphic Novel AR level 3.7; points 4, GN290L, 211 pages

When her best friend starts hanging out with the most popular girl in class, Shannon questions whether they will remain friends.

**Roller Girl** by Victoria Jamieson (2015)

Graphic Novel AR level 3.2; points 2, GN440L, 239 pages

Astrid discovers roller derby just as she and her best friend are growing apart.

**Ugly** by Robert Hoge (2016)

Nonfiction Biography AR level 5.7; points 6, 890L, 200 pages

Born with a tumor in the middle of his face and short, twisted legs, Robert never let his "ugly" get in the way of what mattered.

**Waylon! : One Awesome Thing** by Sara Pennypacker (2016)

Realistic Fiction AR level 4.6; points 3, 680L, 198 pages

With a scientific brain and vulnerable eight-year-old heart, Waylon tries to cope with his sister and the kids at school.

**When the Sea Turned to Silver** by Grace Lin (2016)

Fiction AR level 5.3; points 9, 750L, 370 pages

Pinmei searches for the Luminous Stone that Lights the Night to rescue her grandmother, kidnapped by the Tiger Emperor.

**A Whole New Ballgame** by Phil Bildner (2015)

Fiction AR level 3.9; points 5, 540L, 243 pages

Fifth grade is full of surprises for best friends Rip and Red, beginning with their teacher.

**Wild Robot** by Peter Brown (2016)

Adventure AR level 5.1; points 5, 740L, 279 pages

Roz the robot must learn to survive in the remote, wild island she discovers upon waking for the first time.

**Wish** by Barbara O'Connor (2016)

Realistic Fiction AR level 5.0; points 6, 850L, 227 pages

Charlie makes a secret wish every day. When she is sent to live with a family she barely knows, she isn't sure her wish will ever come true.