**2022-2023 Oregon Battle of the Books**

**3-5 Division Annotated Booklist**

**Note: The elementary division is designed for 4th and 5th graders. 3rd grade participants are welcome. Please review the title list with your reader to make sure the titles will be interesting and engaging for their reading level.**

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| **The Best of Iggy by Annie Barrows** | | | | 2020 |
| Nine-year-old Iggy gets into trouble three times, two of which he does not regret and one for which he is very, very sorry. | | | | |
| Humor | 160 pages | 550L | AR 3.7 (1 Pts.) | |

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| **The Dragon with a Chocolate Heart by Stephanie Burgis** | | | | 2017 |
| After drinking enchanted hot chocolate, a brave young dragon is transformed into a twelve-year-old human girl with a passion for chocolate. | | | | |
| Fantasy | 272 pages | 840L | AR 5.8 (9 Pts.) | |

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| **From the Desk of Zoe Washington by Janae Marks** | | | | 2020 |
| Avid baker Zoe Washington receives a letter on her twelfth birthday from her biological father, who is in prison for a terrible crime. | | | | |
| Realistic Fiction | 320 pages | 660L | AR 4.4 (8 Pts.) | |

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| **Harbor Me by Jacqueline Woodson** | | | | 2018 |
| When six students are chosen to participate in a weekly talk with no adults allowed, they discover that when they're together, it's safe to share the hopes and fears they have to hide from the rest of the world | | | | |
| Realistic Fiction | 192 pages | 630L | AR 4.1 (4 Pts.) | |

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| **Kinda Like Brothers by Coe Booth** | | | | 2014 |
| Jarrett is used to the foster babies his mother takes in, but he is not used to sharing a room with a foster kid, especially a secretive boy who's a year older than he is. | | | | |
| Realistic Fiction | 272 pages | 660L | AR 4.3 (8 Pts.) | |

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| **Letters from Cuba by Ruth Behar** | | | | 2020 |
| In 1938, eleven-year-old Esther joins her father in tropical, multicultural Cuba, where they toil together to rescue the rest of their Jewish family from persecution in Poland. | | | | |
| Historical Fiction | 288 pages | 850L | AR 5.4 (8 Pts.) | |

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| **Me, Frida, and the Secret of the Peacock Ring by Angela Cervantes** | | | | 2018 |
| When Lizzie and Gael share an irresistible challenge, to find the peacock ring that once belonged to artist Frida Kahlo, Paloma decides it is the perfect way to honor her father. | | | | |
| Mystery | 256 pages | 710L | AR 4.7 (7 Pts.) | |

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| **Measuring Up by Lily LaMotte & Ann Xu** | | | | 2020 |
| Having just moved to Seattle from Taiwan, twelve-year-old Cici enters a cooking competition to win the chance to see her grandmother again, but she only knows how to cook Taiwanese food. | | | | |
| Graphic Novel | 208 pages | HL360L | AR 3.0 (1 Pts.) | |

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| **Rescue on the Oregon Trail by Kate Messner** | | | | 2015 |
| Ranger, a golden retriever, could have been a great search-and-rescue dog, except for the squirrels. One day, he unearths a mysterious box and finds himself transported back to the year 1850, where his service is really needed. | | | | |
| Historical Fiction | 144 pages | 690L | AR 4.5 (2 Pts.) | |

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| **Shirley and Jamila Save Their Summer by Gillian Goerz** | | | | 2020 |
| When ten-year-olds Shirley and Jamila meet, Jamila is simply hoping for a friend in her new neighborhood but Shirley is a detective and together they seek a missing gecko. | | | | |
| Graphic Novel | 224 pages | GN340L | AR 2.8 (2 Pts.) | |

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| **Small Steps: The Year I Got Polio by Peg Kehret** | | | | 1996 |
| The author describes her battle against polio and her efforts to overcome its debilitating effects. | | | | |
| Memoir | 184 pages | 830L | AR 5.2 (4 Pts.) | |

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| **Snapdragon by Kat Leyh** | | | | 2020 |
| Snap's town has a witch and when Snap's dog goes missing, the first place she looks is the witch's house. | | | | |
| Graphic Novel | 240 pages | GN210L | AR 2.4 (1 Pts.) | |

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| **Spark by Sarah Beth Durst** | | | | 2019 |
| Naturally quiet since birth, Mina and her storm beast, Pixit, lead others in defying authority and attempting to spread the truth that Alorria's idyllic weather comes at a steep cost. | | | | |
| Fantasy | 320 pages | 690L | AR 4.9 (10 Pts.) | |

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| **The Trouble with Weasels by Rob Harrell** | | | | 2014 |
| As a troll, Zarf Belford is at the bottom of the social ladder at Cotswin Middle School, but when the king goes missing and his insufferable son takes control, Zarf leads his friends Kevin and Chester on a rescue mission. | | | | |
| Fantasy | 288 pages | 780L | AR 5.1 (5 Pts.) | |

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| **A Wish in the Dark by Christina Soontornvat** | | | | 2020 |
| After escaping from prison, Pong hides out in a city run by a governor who magically controls all light. Nok, whose father oversaw the prison, vows to find Pong and restore her family's good name. | | | | |
| Fantasy | 384 pages | 720L | AR 5.2 (11 Pts.) | |