

**Battle Coordinators may register teams by doing the following:**

- Visit the Battle website at [bookbattle.ca](http://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 Intermediate division (Grades 7 and 8).

Thank you!

**Full rules:** <https://bookbattle.ca/downloads/JrSrRules.pdf>

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### Key Dates

<b>Registration:</b>	January 27, 2023
<b>Junior Semi-Final:</b>	April 18, 2023
<b>Intermediate Semi-Final:</b>	April 20, 2023
<b>Final Battle:</b>	April 25, 2023
<b>Regional Final:</b>	April 27, 2023 Hosted by Clarington Public Library

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## DURHAM REGION PUBLIC LIBRARIES JUNIOR DIVISION

### Official Rules & Booklist



2022 Junior Champions, Walter E. Harris PS (Oshawa)

# Official Rules

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.

# 2023 Booklist

## Adventure

**Camp X**, Eric Walters  
**Innocent Heroes: Stories of Animals in the First World War**, Sigmund Brouwer  
**The Door in the Alley**, Adrienne Kress  
**Water Water**, Cary Fagan  
**My Best Friend is Extinct**, Rebecca Wood Barrett  
**Silverwing**, Kenneth Oppel

## Fantasy

**Dragons in a Bag**, Zeta Elliott  
**Holly Farb and the Princess of the Galaxy**, Gareth Wronski  
**Nura and the Immortal Palace**, M.T. Khan  
**The School Between Winter and Fairyland**, Heather Fawcett  
**Beatrice and Croc Harry**, Lawrence Hill  
**The Barren Grounds**, David Robertson

## Mystery

**Chase**, Linwood Barclay  
**The Case of the Missing Moonstone**, Jordan Stratford  
**Howard Wallace, P.I.**, Casey Lyall  
**The Case of the Burgled Bundle**, Michael Hutchinson  
**The House Next Door**, Joel Sutherland  
**The Lost Scroll of the Physician**, Alisha Sevigny

## Family

**The Breadwinner**, Deborah Ellis  
**Fatty Legs: A True Story**, Christy Jordan-Fenton  
**Hiding Edith: A True Story**, Kathy Kacer  
**Berani**, Michelle Kadarusman  
**The Not-So-Uniform Life of Holly-Mei**, Christina Matula  
**Red Fox Road**, Francis Greenlade

## Humour

**The Puck Drops Here**, Kevin Sylvester  
**Saving Arm Pit**, Natalie Hyde  
**Pickles vs. the Zombies**, Angela Misri  
**Super Sketchy**, Lesley Livingston  
**Planet Hockey: First Star of the Game**, J. Torres  
**Snazzy Cat Capers**, Deanna Kent