



General Info

1. The contest will be held Saturday, February 5, 2011, in the University High School Gym. It will begin at 2 pm.
2. Each school having middle school students may field a team of up to five students; one alternative team member is allowed.
3. Each middle school in the Region 12 area is allowed one team of six students. Homeschoolers are also invited to participate.
4. At \$10 registration fee is required per team to cover the cost of hosting the event.
5. The contest is open to spectators.

Questions

1. Questions will come from the twenty books selected from the 2010 Lone Star Reading List plus several other selected books. The following is the official 2011 Battle of the Books booklist:
 - a. Alexander, Jill S. *The Sweetheart of Prosper County*
 - b. Beil, Michael D. *The Red Blazer Girls: The Ring of Rocamadour*
 - c. Burg, Ann E. *All the Broken Pieces: A Novel in Verse*
 - d. Chima, Cinda Williams *The Demon King*
 - e. Clayton, Emma *The Roar*
 - f. Dashner, James *The Maze Runner*
 - g. George, Jessica Day *Princess of the Midnight Ball*
 - h. Hale, Shannon and Nathan Hale *Rapunzel's Revenge*
 - i. Howard, Ellen *The Crimson Cap*
 - j. Kantor, Melissa *Girlfriend Material*
 - k. Kelly, Jacqueline *The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate*
 - l. Korman, Gordon *Pop*
 - m. Morton-Shaw, Christine *The Hunt for the Seventh*
 - n. Moss, Jenny *Winnie's War*
 - o. Potter, Ellen *Slob*
 - p. Stead, Rebecca *When You Reach Me*
 - q. Taylor, Greg *Killer Pizza: A Novel*
 - r. Walker, Sally M. *Written in Bone: Buried Lives of Jamestown and Colonial Maryland*
 - s. Zielin, Lara *Donut Days*
 - t. Zink, Michelle *Prophecy of the Sisters*

2. Types of questions:
 - a. Multiple choice
 - b. True/False
 - c. Short answer (one or two words)
 - d. Identification – students answer with the title of the book and the author’s last name.
3. Questions may come from the body of the book, illustrations (if any), glossary, author notes, or any other information provided by the author. Questions will not be asked from the cover of the book.

Procedures

1. Round One will consist of twenty questions.
2. A question will be read and teams have twenty-five seconds to discuss their answer and write it on a white board. All teams will display their answers at the same time.
3. Titles of books must be written exactly as displayed on the title page of the book (subtitles do not have to be included for the title to be exact), and must be spelled correctly.
 - a. For short answer questions, answers should be easily recognized. If a word is misspelled, the judges’ discretion is final as to whether an answer is correct or not.
4. After Round One, the top four teams will continue into round two. If there is a tie with fourth and fifth place both teams will continue in the contest.
5. Round Two will also consist of twenty questions, and will proceed as Round One (see #2).
6. The winner of Round Two is the winner of the contest. If there is a tie at this point all teams with the top score will proceed to a tie-breaking third round.

Tie Breaker

7. The third round will consist of three question segments. The team ahead after three questions will be first place winners. If there is no winner at that point another three questions will be asked, and the pattern will continue until there is a winner.
8. If there is a first place winner and there is a tie for second place, both (or all) second place schools will be declared second place winners.