

You will need to have a responsible person, 18 years or over, to act as your **Team Manager**. The Team Manager is there to help you get organized, practice for the battle, and provide transportation the night of the event. In the past, teams have asked a parent, a teacher, an older sibling, or their school librarian to be Team Managers.

Here are some rules that you'll need to know about before heading into library to check out books for the Battle of the Books:

1. Books may be borrowed for 1 week and renewed once.
2. There is a limit of **2 books allowed on a single library card at one time**.
3. The books can only be borrowed on a library card belonging to a team member.

Team Managers are not to check out books for their teams.

4. The books will be available at Sewickley Library, Moon Library, and your school libraries.

Overdue fines for Battle Books are **\$.25/day**.

1. If the library doesn't have the book because all copies have been checked out, ask a librarian to order you a copy from another library- this service is free!

So now, here's what happens on the night of the Book Battle. First, your team will need to arrive at Hansen Library at 6:30 for preparations and a **pizza party!** You'll sign in and set up your table. Each team will be given a pad of paper and a pencil to use. Your team manager will be present, but he/she will be working as a Scorekeeper for another team to be named at the battle.

The Battle Moderator will begin by asking the first question twice. Once the question is asked twice, the Timekeeper will allow **20 seconds for teams to deliberate and write down their answers**. At the end of the 20 seconds, one team will have the chance to answer out loud (the answering team will vary every question). The Battle Moderator will announce the correct answer and the Team Scorekeepers will mark how many points were won. If your team answers correctly you get 4 points plus a bonus point if you can give the last name of the author. **This means that each question is worth a potential 5 points. Answers must be specific.** The moderator and judges will decide if an answer given is correct, and **that decision is final**. There will be three rounds with one question from each book per round.

At the end of each round, scorecards will be collected and verified. At the end of the third round, the Judges will tally all scores. If there is a tie, a special lightning round will take place between the tied teams. Once a clear winner has been made, the Battle Moderator will announce the winners. **The top three teams will receive prizes.**

So, are you interested yet? To get started grab this booklist and a registration form. Find four friends in 9th-12th grade, find a responsible adult to be a Team Manager, create a name for your team, and start reading!!! All final registration forms are due **January 24, 2011 at 8:00 PM.**

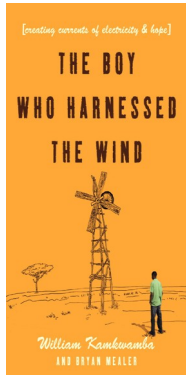
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HIGH SCHOOL BATTLE OF THE BOOKS 2011



**Moon Township Public
Library
&
Sewickley Public Library**

**Monday, March 7, 2011
6:30 PM
@
Sewickley Academy's
Hansen Library**

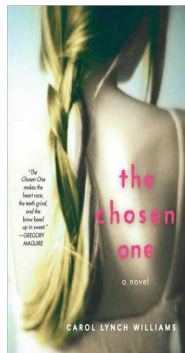


The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind by William Kamkwamba

A true story of tenacity and imagination describes how an African teenager built a windmill from scraps to create electricity for his home and his village, improving

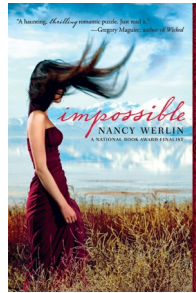
The Chosen One by Carol Lynch Williams

In a polygamous cult in the desert, Kyra, not yet fourteen, sees being chosen to be the seventh wife of her uncle as just punishment for having read books and kissed a boy, in violation of Prophet Childs' teachings, and is torn between facing her fate and running away from all that she knows and loves.



Flygirl by Sherri L. Smith

During World War II, a light-skinned African American girl "passes" for white in order to join the Women Airforce Service Pilots.

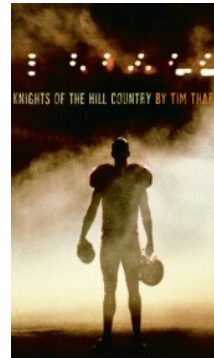


Impossible by Nancy Werlin

When seventeen-year-old Lucy discovers her family is under an ancient curse by an evil Elfin Knight, she realizes to break the curse she must perform three impossible tasks before her daughter is born in order to save them both.

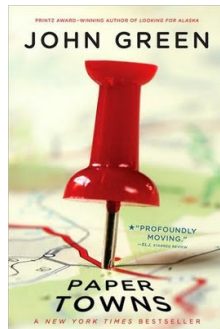
Knights of the Hill Country by Tim Tharp

In his senior year, high school star linebacker Hampton Greene finally begins to think for himself and discovers that he might be interested in more than just football.



Paper Towns by John Green

One month before graduating from his Central Florida high school, Quentin "Q" Jacobsen basks in the predictable boringness of his life until the beautiful and exciting Margo Roth Spiegelman, Q's neighbor and classmate, takes him on a midnight adventure and then mysteriously disappears.



Purple Heart by Patricia McCormick



While recuperating in a Baghdad hospital from a traumatic brain injury sustained during the Iraq War, eighteen-year-old soldier Matt Duffy struggles to recall what happened to him and how it relates to his ten-year-old friend, Ali.

Shiver by Maggie Stiefvater

In all the years she has watched the wolves in the woods behind her house, Grace has been particularly drawn to an unusual yellow-eyed wolf who, in his turn, has been watching her with increasing intensity.



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Battle of the Books Information for Students

The Battle of the Books is a competition where teams made up of five teens (in this case 9th-12th graders) read the chosen books and then participate in a trivia contest about those books. It's a fun way to get some recreational reading done and actually get rewarded for it with some great prizes.

As a team, you need to assign the books to be read by the various team members. You can have each team member read two books, have all team members read all books, or some combination between. It's really up to you!