

2014-2015

Each trimester, the Battle will consist of questions from 15 different books.

As we go through each of the books on the list, put marks or stars next to the books you'd like to consider.

Once you are in your team, decide on a captain. The captain will be in charge of keeping track of who has read what books and what books still need to be read.

Each team member will be responsible for reading 2-3 books for the battle. This means, however, that there will be a few books left over. It is up to your team members to decide if they want to read 1 or more of the leftover books. That way, all of the books will be covered.

Each team member is responsible for filling out a graphic organizer for each of the 2-3 books he/she needs to read. Your teacher will show you which graphic organizer to use for which book. The graphic organizers are REQUIRED. You will receive a grade for how well you complete each graphic organizer. We recommend that you work on the graphic organizer as you read the book to make it easier to fill out. After you finish the book and the graphic organizer, turn it in to your teacher who will check it over and mark your progress on the Battle Bulletin Board. Your graphic organizer will then be returned to your in-class folder.

THE BATTLE

The Battle will occur during the final weeks of each trimester and consist of two parts. The winning teams of each period will compete against each other in the Final Battle.

In-Class Battle: Part One

- 1. The team captain will give the answers although all team members will be able to confer beforehand.
- 2. Your teacher will ask a question and all teams have the opportunity to give an answer within 30 seconds. A correct answer earns 1 point. An incorrect answer or no answer will take away 1 point. Questions for this round will be based on author, setting, and characters.

In-Class Battle: Part Two

- 1. Any team member is allowed to give answers for this part of the Battle.
- 2. Your point total from Part One carries over into Part Two.
- 3. Your team will be wagering points for each question you answer. As with Part One, all teams have an opportunity to answer questions. You win and lose points based on how many points you wager for each question. Depending on how well you answer and how wisely you wager, your team can end up with a final score in the tens of thousands of points. Another nice feature of this type of answering is that, even if you start out Part Two in last place, you can still win the classroom battle. Again, it all depends on how well you answer the questions and how your team decides to wager your points. More information will be provided at a later date.

Final Battle

1. The winning team of each class period from both teams will compete together with more difficult questions. Winners of the Final Battle will receive ???