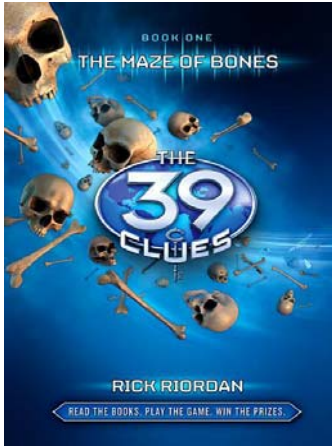
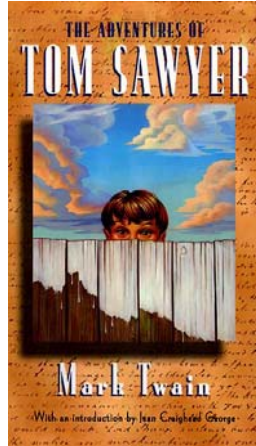


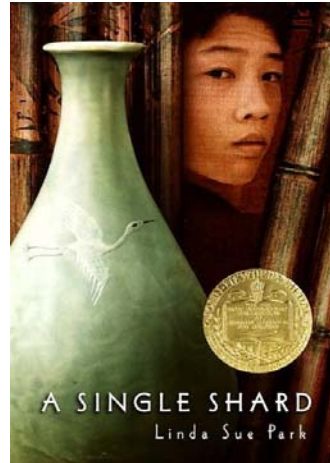
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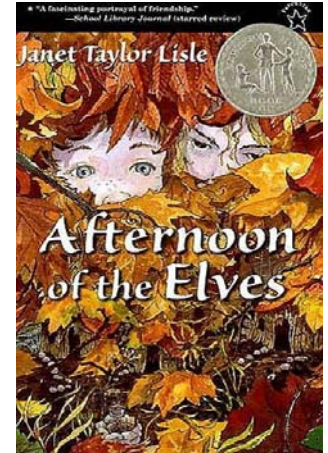
39 Clues: The Maze of Bones
Rick Riordan



The Adventures of Tom Sawyer
Mark Twain



A Single Shard
Linda Sue Park



Afternoon of the Elves
Janet Taylor Lisle

◆ What is Battle of the Books?

The Battle of the Books is a reading program for 4th through 6th grade students. The students read from a selected list of 40 books and then compete over their knowledge of the books. Through the fun and excitement of competition, students improve reading skills, mature in their choice of reading materials, and acquire a broader knowledge base of classic and contemporary literature. Even during the height of competition though, students and coaches should remember that the goal is to READ and increase in knowledge, not necessarily to win!

◆ How does it actually work?

Throughout the course of the next few months, students will form teams of four students each. We need parents to volunteer to be Team Coaches. These students will begin to strategize among themselves and their coaches on the best ways to conquer the Title List for the May 2009 Battle. Each month they will need to meet for practice and review what they have learned as a team. As the Battle grows closer, practice battles will be scheduled in order to give the teams a good sense of what the final battle will be like. In May, the process of elimination will begin with preliminary battles until we are left with the top three teams. The remaining teams will then take part in the Grand Battle until a single team is declared the victor.

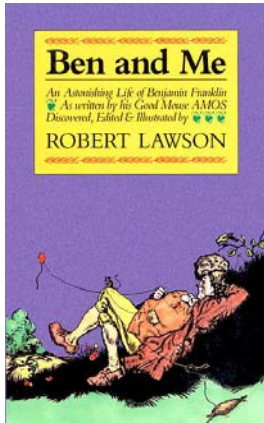
◆ What are the prizes?

Grand Prize for the 2009 Battle is a home computer for each member of the First Place team. Second Place winners will each receive a *\$50 gift certificate from Barnes & Noble and Third Place winners will receive a literature library from Scholastic. This year we will have our 2nd Annual District Battle and First Place teams from both Oak Cliff and Red Oak will compete to see which campus will claim the district trophy and retain bragging rights until the next competition. Red Oak won last year, who will claim 2009? It promises to be an epic battle! *Subject to change*

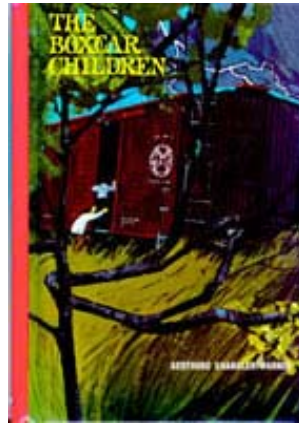
◆ How do I get more information?

Your campus librarian is the contact person and will be running the Battle. She can provide you with a book list and information about which titles are currently available in your campus library. You can also check the Life School website. There you will find the program details, permission forms and book list materials to assist you as you progress through the months of competition. We are very excited about our literary choices this year and know they will provide many hours of delighted reading for your family!

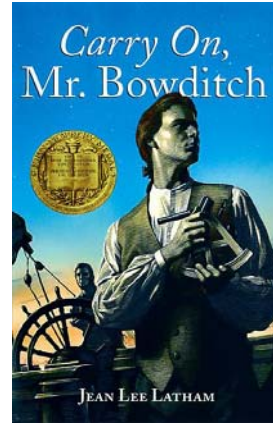
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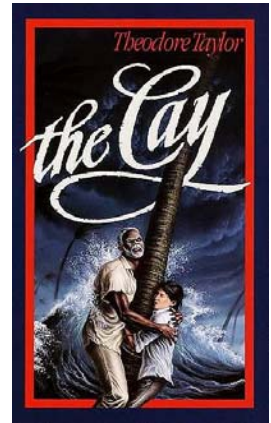
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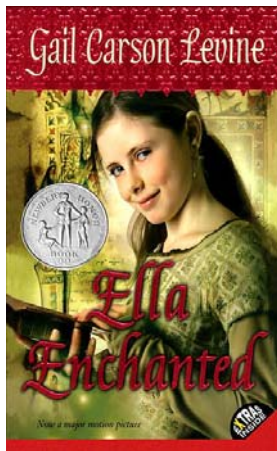
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Gertrude Chandler Warner



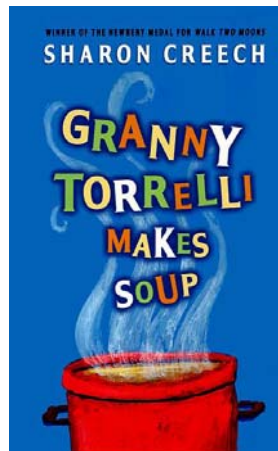
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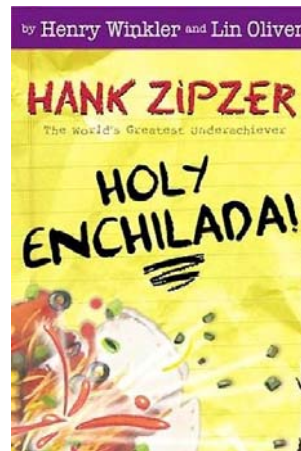
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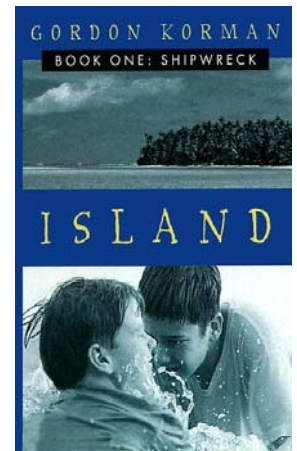
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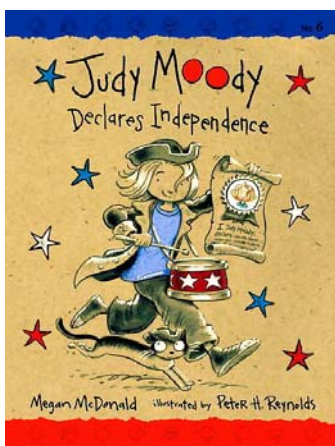
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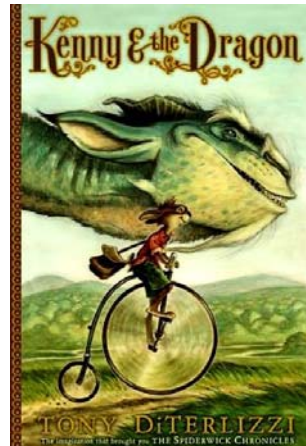
Holy Enchilada!
Henry Winkler



Island Book One: Shipwreck
Gordon Korman



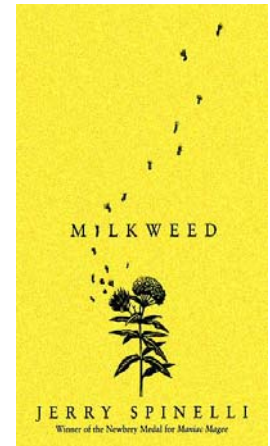
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Kenny & the Dragon
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Jerry B. Jenkins
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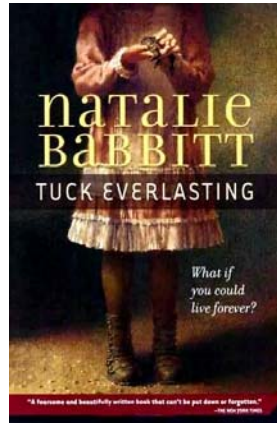


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Jerry Spinelli

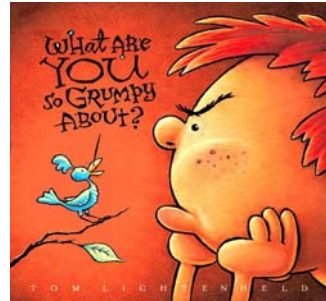
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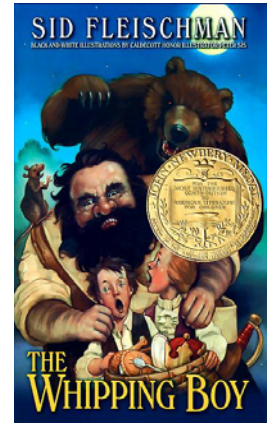
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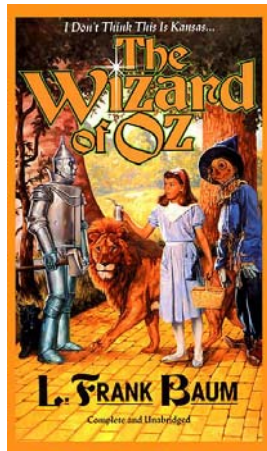
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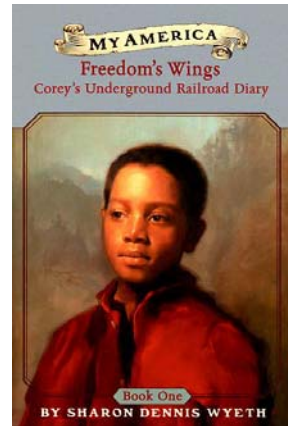
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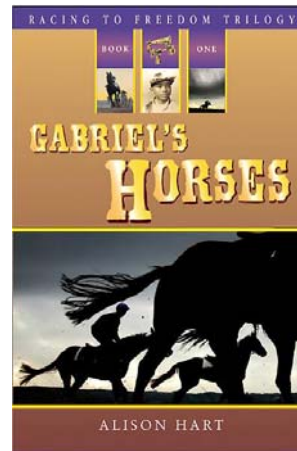
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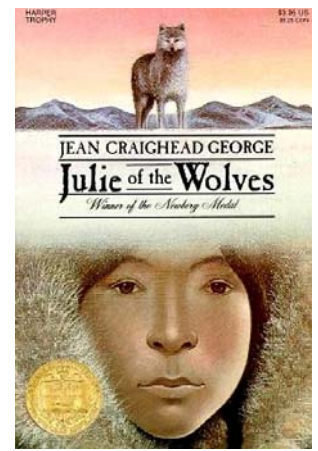
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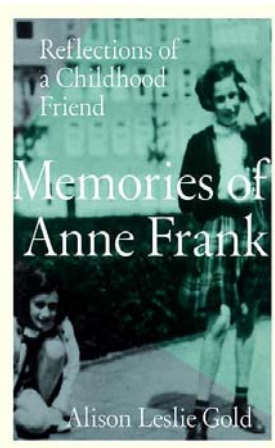
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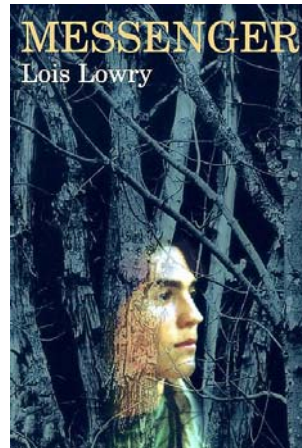
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Julie of the Wolves
Jean Craighead George



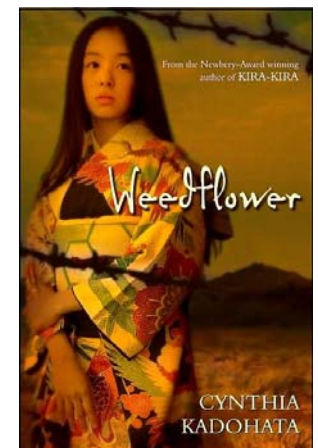
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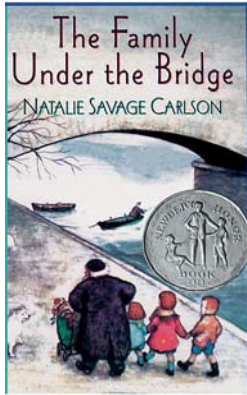


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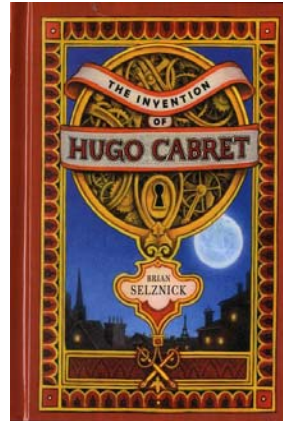


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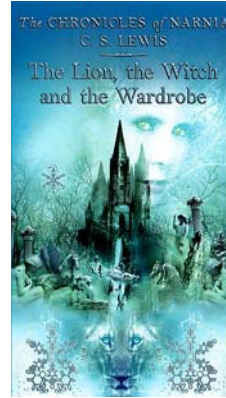
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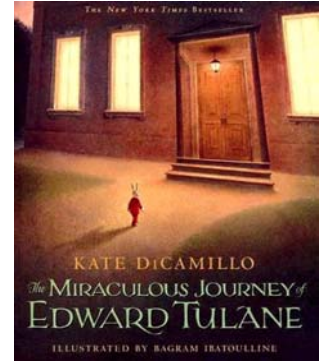
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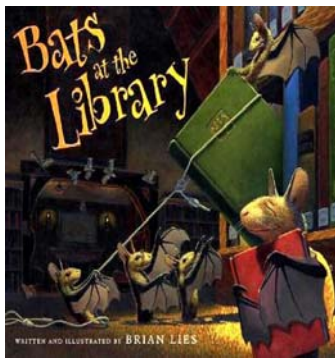
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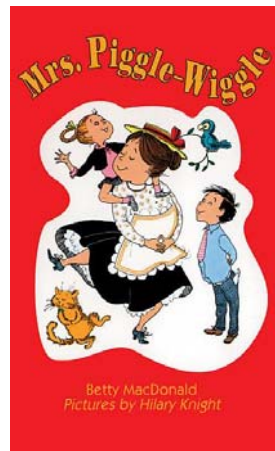
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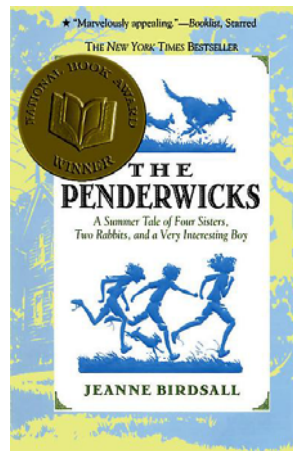
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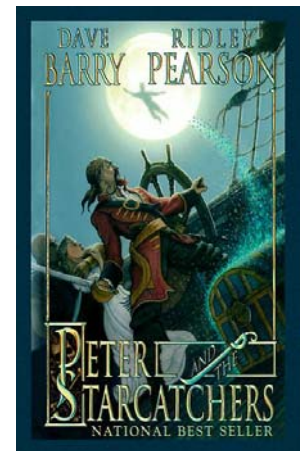
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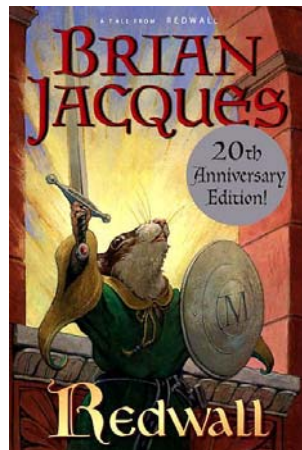
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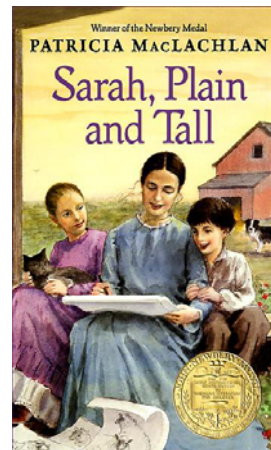
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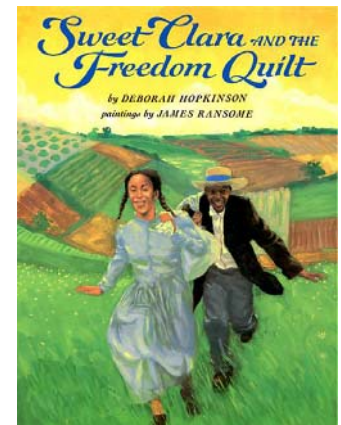
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