

IBOB Idaho Battle of the Books

Please fill out the following information and turn it in by _____ to the library.

I, _____, would like to participate in
_____ (school's name) IBOB.

IBOB is an optional reading program for students in grades 4-6. The books cover a wide range of age interests, reading levels, and genres. Teams of up to 4 students (with one alternate) will read the books listed below. As a team, you can decide how to split up the books, or if you want to read them all. Some of the books may not appeal to everyone because of the genre or content, so work with your team (and parents) to find the books that are right for you.

I understand:

- I will be on a team with a total of 4 students (and 1 alternate, if we choose). I can choose my own team or be placed on a team.
- My team will decide how to split up the 16 books and I will do my best to support my team. If a book genre or topic does not work for me, my team and I will discuss strategies.
- I understand that I will be battling against teams from grades 4-6.
- I will try to attend all team meetings and any library IBOB activities. I will be an active member of my team.
- I will be prompt about bringing back the book that was loaned to me.
- If my team scores high enough, I will attend the district competition held in spring 2026.
- If my team scores high enough in the school or district competition, we will be invited to compete in the regional battle, if one occurs in my region.
- I will treat my fellow team members and other IBOB participants with respect.

Student signature _____

Parent signature _____



Cut below the dotted line and keep the list of books at home.

2025 – 2026 Elementary Grades 4-6 Books:

A Place to Hang the Moon by Kate Albus
Bunnacula by Deborah Howe
The Doughnut Fix by Jessie Janowitz
An Elephant in the Garden by Michael Morpurgo
From the Desk of Zoe Washington by Janae Marks
Leven Thumps: Gateway to Foo by Obert Skye
Honestly Elliott by Gillian McDunn
In the Red by Christopher Swiedler
The Jolly Regina #1 by Kara Lareau
Marshmallow & Jordan by Alina Chaeu
Midnight at the Barclay Hotel by Fleur Bradley
Millicent Quibb by Kate McKinnon
Moo by Sharon Creech
A Royal Conundrum (Misfits #1) by Lisa Yee
Spooked! by Gail Jarrow
Wait till Helen Comes (graphic novel) by Mary Downing Hahn



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Idaho Battle of the Books

Do you wish reading books was a sport? Join our IBOB (Idaho Battle of the Books) team!

The details:

- 4 people per team (1 alternate is allowed)
- You will name your team.
- Books can be loaned out by the school library, public library, or bought on your own.
- Your team can meet as often as you want. There will be some specific library times for activities and meetings.
- As a team, you decide how to read the books. You can read all 16, you can split them up, etc. **No one is required to read a book if they do not want to read it.**
- Teams will read the books during the fall and winter, and in January, school battles will start.
- The questions will be “in which book” or “content” questions. You will have 15 seconds to discuss the answer and the team spokesperson will give the answer.
- You will have the chance to answer the other team’s question if they do not know it.
- Selected team(s) will go to the district or regional competition in **Spring 2026**, if one is held in my region. If a region does not hold a competition, teams from that region may request to participate in a neighboring regional competition.
- Teams advancing from a district competition will be invited to participate in a regional competition.

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