

IDAHO BATTLE OF THE BOOKS

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Welcome

We are so excited for IBOB to start again! Last year we had almost every region represented. That is absolutely amazing.

- Elementary(4-6)- 56 participating schools/public libraries, 6 regions represented
- Middle (6-9)- 48 participating schools/public libraries, 5 regions represented
- High School (9-12)- 20 participating schools/public libraries, 5 regions represented

If you are are not familiar with what Idaho Battle of the Books is, please check out our purpose [here](#). In short, IBOB is a reading program for grades 4-12 across the state of Idaho, where students compete in teams to correctly answer the most questions about a genre-diverse group of preselected books in a quiz show type format. It's competitive! It's fun! It's like sports, but with books!

FREE RESOURCES

IBOB WEBSITE

Don't forget to check out the Idaho Battle of the Books website for resources.

- Resources/Download tab
- You will find bookmarks, tracker sheets, permission slips, posters and more



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QUESTION SET PURCHASE DEADLINES

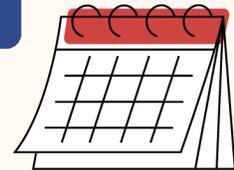
Question set purchases are now available. They are currently \$30 per set.

After December 15th, question sets are \$50

January 15th: No more orders for question sets will be taken

The IBOB home page has more payment information:
<https://idahobattleofthebooks.org/>

CALENDAR IDEAS FOR IBOB



SEPTEMBER–NOVEMBER

- Advertise IBOB- posters, announcements, talk to classes
- Start having information meetings about IBOB with a hand out with titles, how it works, and what students can expect. There are some already created under Resources on the webpage
- Prepare permission slips. There are some already created under Resources on the webpage
- Set up meetings for IBOB team members (you get to decide when and how often)
- Have teams practice author names and book titles to prepare for “In Which Book” questions
- Teams can write their own practice questions for the books they read (helps them remember the book and helps other teams practice answering questions)
- Purchase question sets (**You can now pay online with a credit card or use the invoice form on the website. Look under Get Involved tab and then Register!**)

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STATE LEVEL DIRECTORS

We have three wonderful volunteers as the state level directors. If you have questions about how to run the program at your school, please contact them.

High School:

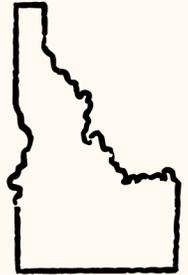
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QUESTION SETS UPDATE



Each question writing committee member is writing questions for the books they signed up for. Editing will start in October and November. In December, volunteers will be putting the school and tournament sets together, which can take up to 20 hours to get sets ready.

School question sets will be sent out in mid-January to schools who have paid for sets.



BOOK SELECTION UPDATE

Each book reading committee member has been reading nominated books over the summer. Meetings will be held about once a month as titles for the next school year are chosen.