



Cedar Mill PTC 2022-23 OBOB Program

Moderator Training February 2023

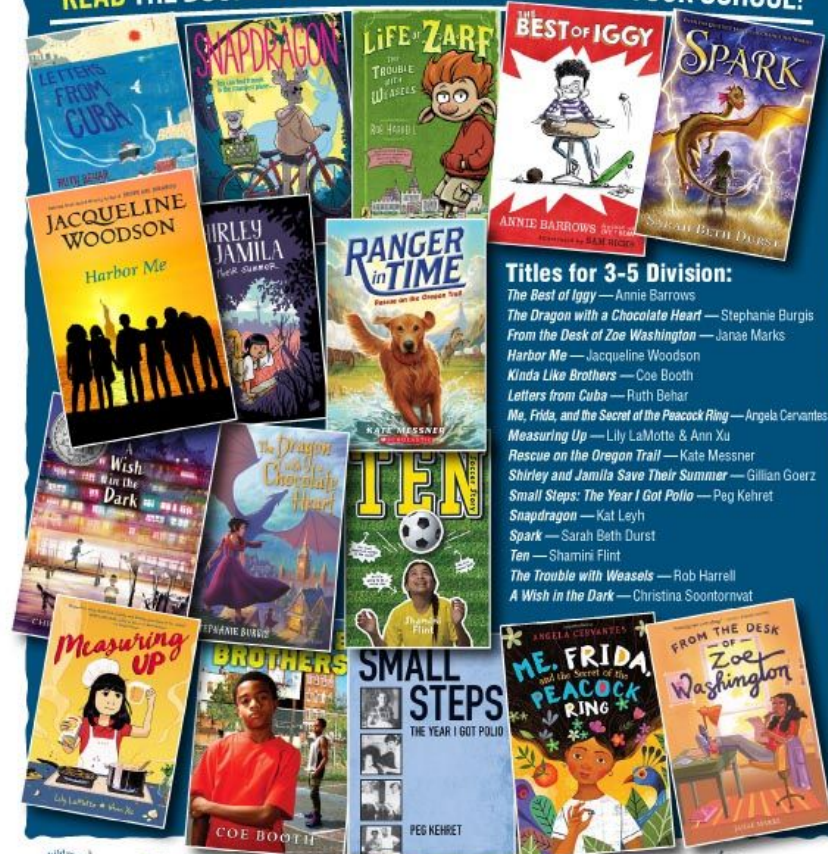
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THE BATTLE IS ON!



OREGON BATTLE OF THE BOOKS | 2022-2023

READ THE BOOKS... FORM A TEAM... BATTLE FOR YOUR SCHOOL!



Titles for 3-5 Division:

- The Best of Iggy* — Annie Barrows
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Welcome to OBOB Moderator Training!

- Introduction
- Resources
- Battle Format & Question Types
- Battle Scoring
- CMES Tournament Format
- Moderator Responsibilities
- Q&A

Introduction

- Cedar Mill PTC OBOB Coordinators:
 - Sandy Lewis
 - Yulia Voevodina
- If you have any questions about OBOB, please send an email to OBOB@cedarmillptc.org

Oregon Battle of the Books (OBOB)

- Statewide reading competition for 3rd – 5th grades
- Teams of 4 students read the OBOB books and then compete against other teams by answering trivia questions during our school's OBOB tournament
 - Held in early February after school
 - Winner from Cedar Mill advances to Regional Tournament

Moderator Resources

- Before battle day (via email)
 - Moderator instructions & General Training document
 - Cedar Mill ES Pool Play Tournament Procedures
 - OBOB Handbook for 2022-23
- On the day of the battle, you'll be handed a moderator packet:
 - Moderator quick reference guide
 - Question sets (3 battle sets + spare questions)
 - Score sheets
 - Coin & pencil

Overall Battle Format

- 16 total questions per battle
 - 8 “In Which Book”
 - 8 “Content”
- Each team takes turns answering questions
 - Team going first answers odd numbered questions
 - Team going last answers even numbered questions
 - Coin toss before the battle determines who goes first
- Each question is worth a total of **5 points**
- No stealing will be allowed during Pool Play rounds

Question Card Format

Div. 3-5 Oregon Battle of the Books 2022
Local Competition

Set: 23

"IN WHICH BOOK" QUESTION — Answer includes both title and author

QUESTION:

In which book does a pull-string doll say, "Could you be more Pacific?"

ANSWER (TITLE):

The Care and Feeding of a Pet Black Hole

ANSWER (AUTHOR):

Michelle Cuevas

PAGE: 16

SCORE: Team 1 (odd): _____ Team 2 (even): _____

Div. 3-5 Oregon Battle of the Books 2022
Local Competition

Set: 23

CONTENT QUESTION — Read title before asking question

TITLE:

Lety Out Loud

QUESTION:

What is the name of the dog who reminds Hunter of his dog?

ANSWER:

Sawyer

PAGE: 138

SCORE: Team 1 (odd): _____ Team 2 (even): _____

In Which Book Questions

- The team must provide both the full title of the book and the author's name
- Answer must be exactly as noted on the card
- If only one of the answers is correct (either the title or the name), then only 3 points is awarded
- Omission of the articles **a**, **an**, and **the** at the beginning of a title will be accepted as correct

In Which Book Questions - Examples

Div. 3-5 Oregon Battle of the Books 2022 Set: 21
Local Competition

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"IN WHICH BOOK" QUESTION—Answer includes both title and author

QUESTION:

In which book does a student fail to impress their teacher with "Vedic math"?

ANSWER (TITLE):

Save Me a Seat

ANSWER (AUTHOR):

Sarah Weeks & Gita Varadarajan

PAGE: 64

SCORE: Team 1 (odd): _____ Team 2 (even): _____

Div. 3-5 Oregon Battle of the Books 2022 Set: 21
Local Competition

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"IN WHICH BOOK" QUESTION—Answer includes both title and author

QUESTION:

In which book does someone's father work for a piano company?

ANSWER (TITLE):

Some Writer!: The Story of E.B. White

ANSWER (AUTHOR):

Melissa Sweet

PAGE: 6

SCORE: Team 1 (odd): _____ Team 2 (even): _____

In Which Book Questions - Examples

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Local Competition

“IN WHICH BOOK” QUESTION—*Answer includes both title and author*

QUESTION:

In which book do characters eat a picnic dinner on an island?

ANSWER (TITLE):

Pip Bartlett's Guide to Magical Creatures

ANSWER (AUTHOR):

Jackson Pearce & Maggie Stiefvater

PAGE: 133

SCORE: Team 1 (odd): _____ Team 2 (even): _____

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Local Competition

“IN WHICH BOOK” QUESTION—*Answer includes both title and author*

QUESTION:

In which book does a character borrow a cigarette lighter for an experiment?

ANSWER (TITLE):

Book Scavenger

ANSWER (AUTHOR):

Jennifer Chambliss Bertman

PAGE: 304-305

SCORE: Team 1 (odd): 0 Team 2 (even): 5

Content Questions

- Announce the name of the book before reading the question
- Team must provide the answer as noted on the card for 5 points
- Some questions are two point questions. Those will be noted on the cards
 - Please announce 2 part questions to the team before reading the question
 - Only two part questions can receive partial points

Content Questions

- Use your best judgement to accept/decline the answer
- If part of an answer is underlined, that particular word must be included in the answer
- Words shown in parentheses are not required to be included
- Consult with the scorekeeper if you want a second opinion
- Ultimately, it's the moderator's decision

Answer Examples

- Answer is "Old Barn Owl", an acceptable answer is "Owl" or "Barn Owl"
- Answer is "Ice Cream Sundae", so in this case "Ice Cream" wouldn't be good enough as Sundae is underlined and the main word they need to give.
- Answer is "Red Ford Pickup Truck", an acceptable answer is "Red Ford" or "Red Pickup Truck" or "Ford Pickup"
- Answer is "White (with blue ribbons)", an acceptable answer is "white". Words shown in parentheses are not required to be included.

Content Question Examples

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Div. 3-5 Oregon Battle of the Books 2019
Local Competition

Set: 20

CONTENT QUESTION—*Read title before asking question*

TITLE:

The Wild Robot

QUESTION:

What animal poops on Roz's face?

ANSWER:

Robin OR Bird

PAGE: 39

SCORE: Team 1 (odd): _____ Team 2 (even): _____

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Div. 3-5 Oregon Battle of the Books 2019
Local Competition

Set: 22

CONTENT QUESTION—*Read title before asking question*

TITLE:

The Wild Robot

QUESTION:

What animals never make an appearance at the Dawn Truce?

ANSWER:

Bears OR Vultures

PAGE: 49

SCORE: Team 1 (odd): — Team 2 (even): 5

Content Question Examples



Div. 3-5 Oregon Battle of the Books 2019
Local Competition

Set: 21

CONTENT QUESTION—*Read title before asking question*

TITLE:

When the Sea Turned to Silver

QUESTION:

What is the Luminous Stone that Lights the Night?

ANSWER:

The moon OR Nuwa's tear OR Lady Meng's tear

PAGE: 270, 317-18

SCORE: Team 1 (odd): 5 Team 2 (even): —

Div. 3-5 Oregon Battle of the Books 2022
Local Competition

Set: 10



CONTENT QUESTION—*Read title before asking question*

TITLE:

Lety Out Loud

QUESTION:

What color eyes does Alma's pet have?

ANSWER:

Green OR Emerald-green

PAGE: 54

SCORE: Team 1 (odd): _____ Team 2 (even): _____

Content Question Examples

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Div. 3-5 Oregon Battle of the Books 2019 Set: 22
Local Competition

CONTENT QUESTION—*Read title before asking question*

TITLE:

George

QUESTION:

[Two parts] What color and number is George's index card for her audition?

ANSWER:

Blue AND Six

PAGE: 65

SCORE: Team 1 (odd): 3 Team 2 (even): 2

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Div. 3-5 Oregon Battle of the Books 2019 Set: 20
Local Competition

CONTENT QUESTION—*Read title before asking question*

TITLE:

Real Friends

QUESTION:

[Two Parts] In what city and state does Shannon's family live?

ANSWER:

Salt Lake City AND Utah

PAGE: 6

SCORE: Team 1 (odd): 5 Team 2 (even): 0

Content Question Examples

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Div. 3-5 Oregon Battle of the Books 2019
Local Competition

Set: 21

CONTENT QUESTION—*Read title before asking question*

TITLE:

A Whole New Ballgame

QUESTION:

[Two Parts] What are Rip and Avery's names for their presentation skit?

ANSWER:

(Dr.) Poo Poo AND (Dr.) Icky Icky

PAGE: 208

SCORE: Team 1 (odd): 0 Team 2 (even): 3

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Div. 3-5 Oregon Battle of the Books 2019
Local Competition

Set: 21

CONTENT QUESTION—*Read title before asking question*

TITLE:

Roller Girl

QUESTION:

What is the name of the drill in which skaters push each other around the track?

ANSWER:

Pushcart (drill)

PAGE: 66

SCORE: Team 1 (odd): 0 Team 2 (even): 0

Content Question Examples

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Div. 3-5 Oregon Battle of the Books 2019 Set: 22
Local Competition

CONTENT QUESTION—*Read title before asking question*

TITLE:

Ugly

QUESTION:

What item does Kerry promise to give to Robert if he can swim half the length of the pool? Be specific.

ANSWER:

Ronald McDonald watch

PAGE: 75-78

SCORE: Team 1 (odd): — Team 2 (even): 5

Div. 3-5 Oregon Battle of the Books 2022 Set: 11
Local Competition

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CONTENT QUESTION—*Read title before asking question*

TITLE:

Clean Getaway

QUESTION:

Scoob remembers Shenice climbing a huge tree once in search of what specific kind of stick?

ANSWER:

A (perfect) jousting stick

PAGE: 72

SCORE: Team 1 (odd): _____ Team 2 (even): _____

Battle Scoring

- All questions have a maximum possible of 5 points each
- Possible score options are:
 - Completely correct = 5
 - Partially correct = 3
 - Incorrect = 0
- Only IWB questions and Two-Part Content questions can receive partial credit

Cedar Mill ES OBOB Tournament

- **Feb 7th & 8th:** CMES Pool Play Round
 - Teams divided into pool groups of 4
 - Those teams battle each other within their pool group (3 battles)
 - Scores from all three pool play battles are added together
 - Teams with the most points move onto the tournament
 - No stealing will be allowed during pool play battles

Cedar Mill ES OBOB Tournament

Pool Group A

Team 1
Team 2
Team 3
Team 4

Battle Room A1

Moderator _____

SK/TK _____

Round 1: Team 1 vs Team 2

Round 2: Team 1 vs Team 3

Round 3: Team 1 vs Team 4



Teams
move
between
their
partner
battle
room

Battle Room A2

Moderator _____

SK/TK _____

Round 1: Team 3 vs Team 4

Round 2: Team 2 vs Team 4

Round 3: Team 2 vs Team 3

Pool Group B

Team 5
Team 6
Team 7
Team 8

Battle Room B1

Moderator _____

SK/TK _____

Round 1: Team 5 vs Team 6

Round 2: Team 5 vs Team 7

Round 3: Team 5 vs Team 8



Battle Room B2

Moderator _____

SK/TK _____

Round 1: Team 7 vs Team 8

Round 2: Team 6 vs Team 8

Round 3: Team 6 vs Team 7

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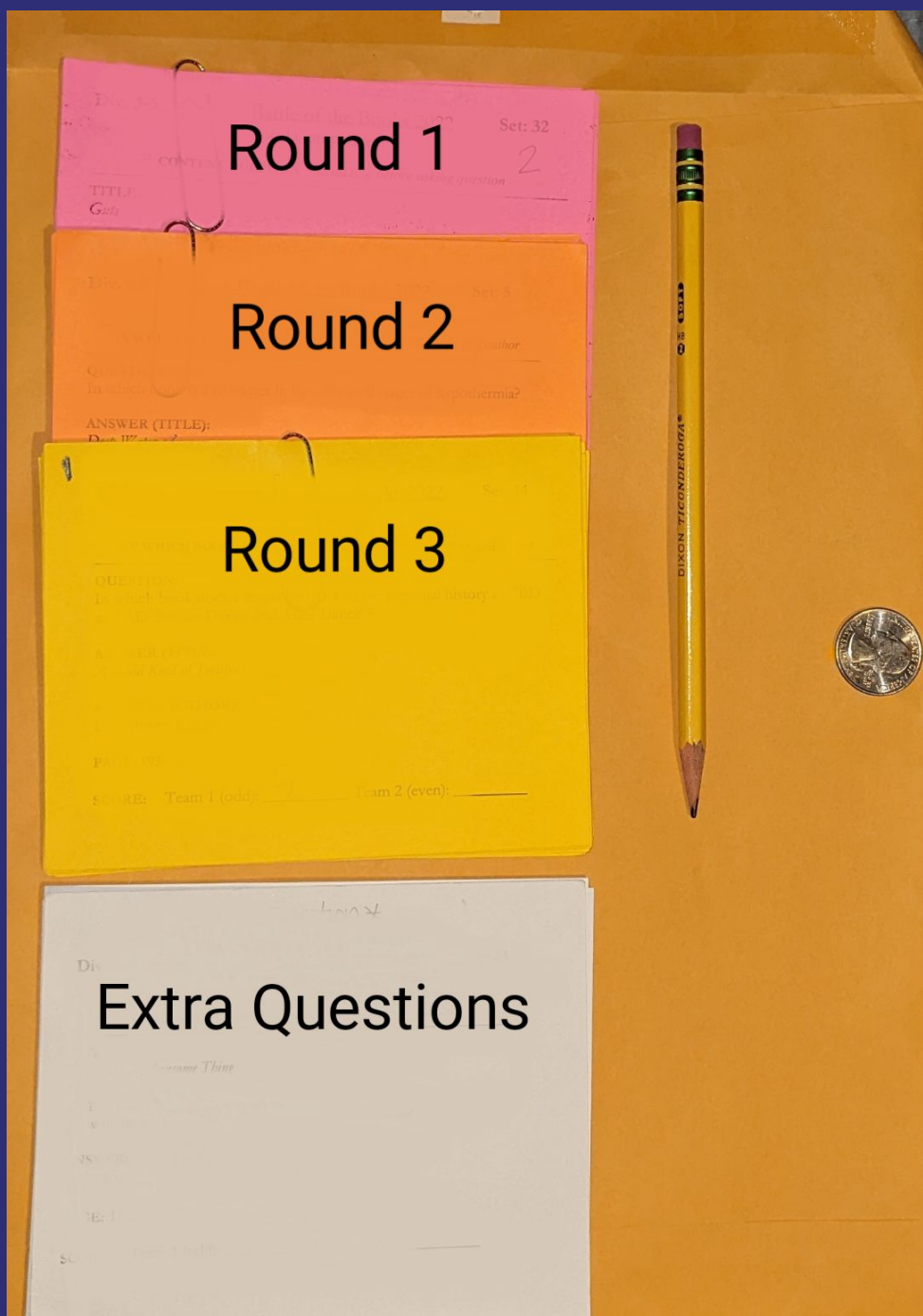
- **February 15th: CMES Bracket Round**
 - Teams with the highest scores from pool play compete in a single elimination tournament
 - Teams are seeded in a bracket based on their total score
 - Number of teams in the tournament TBD based on pool play results
 - May require tie breaker battles if any teams are tied
 - **Stealing will be allowed during the bracket round**

Moderator Responsibilities

- Before Battle Day:
 - Review documents sent via email, especially if you've never moderated before
 - Sign up for a moderator shift in the volunteer system
 - Moderators will not be able to moderate for their own student's team

Moderator Responsibilities

- On Battle Day (pre-dismissal):
 - Arrive at school before 2:45 pm to minimize conflicts with school dismissal
 - Check in with the OBOB desk to receive a battle schedule, moderator packet and room assignment
 - If you want to review questions in advance, you can do this prior to dismissal in case you want to ask any questions
 - At 3:05, proceed to your assigned classroom



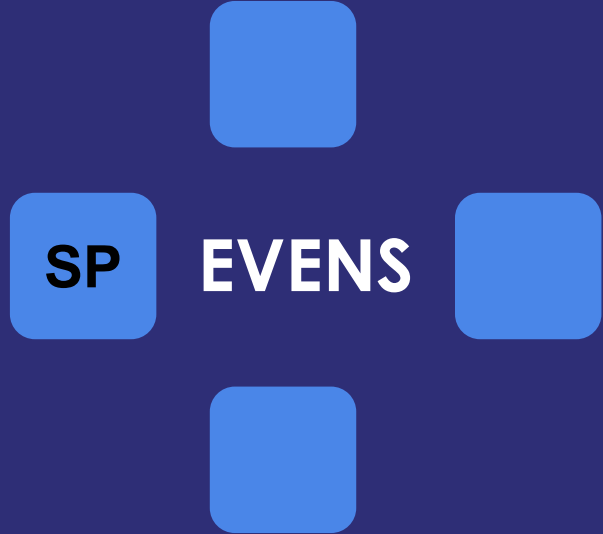
Battle Packet

- Coin
- Pencil
- 3 Scoresheets
- 3 Sets of Battle Questions
 - Pink: Round 1
 - Orange: Round 2
 - Yellow: Round 3
- Extra Questions (White)

Moderator Responsibilities

- On Battle Day (post-dismissal):
 - Set up the room for battles . . .
 - (Hint: Take a picture of the room so you know how to return furniture to their original locations)
 - Start checking in students as they arrive on the provided check in sheet
 - Battles will start at 3:30 to allow time for coaches, parents, and spectators to enter the building and find the classroom

Audience/Spectators/Alternates



SK/TK

Moderator

Moderator Responsibilities

- Perform the coin toss to determine which team is odds or evens
- Ensure spokesperson is identified and sitting in the proper location
- Start the battle with the odd team:
 - State the question number and the team name
 - Read the question clearly
 - 15 second timer starts when the moderator stops reading the question
 - Teams may request the moderator to re-read the question, but the timer does not restart

Moderator Responsibilities

- When a team answers a question:
 - Declare if the question is correct or incorrect
 - If it's incorrect, read the correct answer to the team (only for Pool Play!)
 - During the bracket tournament, the other team will have the opportunity to steal the points!
 - If you can remember to do so, write down an incorrect answer on the question card in case of a later challenge
 - Announce the points awarded to the team for the scorekeeper to note on the scoresheet

Moderator Responsibilities

- Play proceeds for the remaining questions
- Give a mid battle score update after the first 8 questions
- At the end of the battle:
 - State the final scores for each team
 - Say “The battle is now over, are there any challenges?” (see next slide)
 - If there are no challenges, have the teams shake hands, be good sports and spokespeople sign the scoresheet
 - Open the classroom door so your pool group partner room knows you’re ready to switch

Challenge Protocol

- Refer to the Challenge Protocol section in the General Training document
- A team has 15 seconds to initiate a challenge
- They can only challenge their questions
- A copy of the books will be available (location TBD)
- Request that the scorekeeper go obtain the requested book
- Once the team has been handed the book, they have 2 minutes to find evidence in the book to support their argument
- Ultimately, the moderator's decision is final

Moderator Responsibilities

- Ensure questions remain secure in your possession if you ever need to leave the classroom
- If you make a mistake reading a question, you can use one of the extra questions (white cards) to replace the spoiled question
 - Make sure you replace with the same type (IWB vs Content)
- After conclusion of the battles, bring score sheets and materials back to the OBOB coordinators in the library
- **Thank you for volunteering as a moderator!**

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Questions?

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