2020 Battle of the Books Questions

***Bad Guys*** by Blabey

In which book is an odd group of characters formed together?

In which book do the characters have to go against their natural instincts?

In which book is a cat rescued from a tree?

In which book does a character has a smelly problem when traveling in a car?

In which book do four unlikely characters form a group?

***Ban This Book*** by Gratz

In which book does the main character take refuge in the library after school?

In which book does the main character think one thing but speak another?

In which book does one woman influence an entire school board?

In which book do students receive notes via locker mailboxes?

In which book does the main character dream of running away from home?

In which book does a character find a way to deal with death in a book?

In which book do the actions of the characters get a school employee fired?

In which book do the character form their own Board and each has a job title?

In which book is the main character upset that she was drawn as a mouse?  
In which book is the main character one of three sisters?  
In which book is the principal of the school nicknamed “Banana?”  
In which book does a custodian cut the lock on a student’s locker?  
In which book do characters say “Wait til Helen comes.”  
In which book does a school have a visit by Dav (Dave) Pilkey?  
In which book does a girl lie to her parents about being in after school clubs?  
In which book does a character use a shredder to make paper hay for her toy horses?  
In which book does one of the characters always wear polka dots?  
In which book is the main character suspended from school for three days?

***Beauty and the Beak*** by Rose

In which book is the main character born in Alaska?

In which book is the main character wounded at age 4?

In which book is the main character rescued by a policeman?

In which book is the main character helped by an engineer and a dentist?

In which book is the main character never able to take care of herself as a result of her wound?

***Between the Lines: How Ernie Barnes went from the Football Field to the Art Gallery*** by Wallace

In which book is the main character offered 26 college scholarships?

In which book does the main character discover that there was not any art by black artists in the art museum?

In which book is the main character drafted to play professional football?

In which book is the main character dropped from the team due to a broken hand?

In which book is the main character inspired by the words of Vincent van Gogh?

In which book are pieces of an old fence used as frames for art?

***A Boy Called Bat*** by Arnold

In which book is the main character’s mother a veterinarian?

In which book does the main character find safety in his bedroom?

In which book does the main character send an email to a famous animal scientist?

In which book does the main character prefer to stay inside during recess?

In which book do a boy and his sister get picked up from school by his dad every other Friday?  
In which book does the main character attend a private school while his sister attends public school?  
In which book does the main character like his teacher’s bright orange tennis shoes?  
In which book does the main character’s class have a class pet named Babycakes?  
In which book is an old t-shirt used to make a carrier sling?  
In which book is an older sister upset that her brother borrowed her unicorn pajama top?  
In which book is email exchanged with an expert named Dr. Jerry Dragoo?  
In which book do we hear the message “what makes a good pet is a good pet caretaker?”  
In which book does the main character sometimes wear earmuffs if he is going to be in a place with a lot of noise?  
In which book does the main character braid his sister’s wet hair before bed?  
In which book does a boy’s mom teach him that you can learn a lot about people by looking into their eyes?

***Dazzle Ships: World War I and the Art of Confusion*** by Barton

In which book does painting save lives?

In which book does doing the opposite of what is expected save the day?

In which book do a group of women transform a recruiting station over night?

In which book is camouflage a new concept?

In which book is a king wrong?

In which book does creativity prove to be better than strength?

***Grace Hopper, Queen of Computer Code*** by Wallmark

In which book did the main character serve in the Navy for more than 40 years?  
In which book was a moth found to be the culprit in making a computer stop working?  
In which book does the main character abide by the motto “Dare and Do”?  
In which book is a green gremlin kept on the desk of the main character?  
In which book are clocks taken apart to see how they work  
In which book are a pocket mirror and eyebrow tweezers used to solve a problem?  
In which book did a woman pay $10 for a biplane ride?  
In which book did the main character have to study Latin to get into college?  
In which book is an elevator created for a dollhouse?  
In which book did he main character doodle fantastical creatures to help her think more creatively?

***Great Tree House War*** by Graff

In which book are the parents of the main character both doctors?

In which book is the main character of not passing fifth grade?

In which book does the main character have a cat named Buttons?

In which book is one of the characters obsessed with teeth?

In which book is the story presented as a memoir written for ten friends?

In which book does the main character eat a lot of Fruit Loops?

In which book does the main character use her artist’s eye?

In which book does a reporter never get the characters’ names correct?

In which book does the main character’s parents celebrate odd holidays?

In which book is Wednesday the main character’s favorite day of the week?

In which book are Post-It Notes interspersed throughout the book with comments about the story?

In which book do children have a list of demands they would like their parents to meet?

In which book are there instructions for making a striped friendship bracelet?

In which book does the main character ride a zip line to her uncle’s rooftop?

***Her Right Foot*** by Eggers

In which book do 2 men come together to create a very large gift?

In which book does a gift have to travel in 214 boxes to get to its destination?

In which book does a gift get delivered to an island?

In which book does a gift change color in 35 years?

***Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus*** by Bowling

In which book does the main character play the guitar with her feet?

In which book is a necklace found, cleaned, and repaired?

In which book does the main character want to find the key for an old desk?

In which book is the setting in Arizona?

In which book does one of the characters have Tourette Syndrome?

In which book does the main character discover a photograph of what her mom describes as “her doppelganger?”

In which book is the main character talented at soccer?

In which book does the main character’s mother take her grocery shopping, even though doing so takes longer to do?

In which book do the characters attend meetings of a support group?

In which book does the main character inherit a business from her late mother?

***Last Kids on Earth*** by Brallier

In which book is the main character an orphan who has moved from foster family to foster family his whole life?

In which book does the main character want to be a photo journalist?

In which book does the main character have a crush on a girl who works for the school newspaper?

In which book does the main character have a “walkie”?

In which book does the main character create names for his enemies?

In which book does a battle take place in CVS?  
In which book does the plot take place in a city called Wakefield?  
In which book do the main characters drive a car named Big Mama?  
In which book is the main character searching the town for June del Toro?  
In which book does the story begin 42 days after a disaster?  
In which book has the main character been to ten different schools in thirteen years?  
In which book does a boy earn feats of success by completing goals and challenges and taking photos for evidence?  
In which book is a saddle made for a pet named Rover?  
In which book is a treehouse armed with catapults, bottle rocket launchers, and sharp spikes?

In which book does the main character make “bootleg Mountain Dew”?

***Lesser Spotted Animals: The Coolest Creatures You’ve Never Heard*** of by Brown

In which book are endangered animals discussed?

In which book is there an animal that is hunted for its sweet musky odor?

In which book is there an animal that can break hard-shelled fruits with its head?

In which book is there an animal that was thought to be extinct but was found again in 1981?

In which book is there an animal that was not discovered until 1997?

In which book is there an animal that blocks its doorway with its rear end?

***Macy McMillan and the Rainbow Goddess*** by Green

In which book did the main character have an illness at age 4 that changed her life?

In which book does the main character not want her mother to get married?

In which book does the main character not want to move to a different house to form a new family?

In which book does the main character think that the old woman next door is crabby?

In which book does the main character’s mother go to a support group to help her daughter?

In which book does the main character and her neighbor discover they share a love of reading?

In which book does the main character lose her best friend over a question about her father?

In which book does the main character help her neighbor go through her book collection?

In which book are homemade cookies used to make others happy.

In which book does the main character create a family tree?

In which book is a character deaf?  
In which book does the main character enjoy tending her patch of wildflowers?  
In which book is a wedding nearly called off because of a revealed secret?  
In which book do cookies send special messages?  
In which book does the main character struggle to come up with an idea for her family tree project?  
In which book does the main character help her friend visit a nursing home each week?  
In which book are friends described as “firecrackers?”  
In which book does a girl want her new room to be painted purple?  
In which book does a smoke alarm go off from a cooking incident?  
In which book does the main character loser her temper with her best friend and tell her “I hate you?”

***Magic Misfits*** by Harris

In which book does the main character have a grilled cheese and radish sandwich before running away from his mean uncle?

In which book is the main character used to the routine of getting to a new place and scoping the surroundings, finding food, and finding a bed?

In which book is the reader introduced to the term misdirection and

In which book does the main character have a hidden pocket sewn inside his shirt sleeve?

In which book do characters win a large stuffed pink flamingo by throwing rings around bottles?

In which book does the story take place in a town called Mineral Wells?

In which book is there no thirteenth chapter?

In which book is the plan to steal the Star of Africa diamond foiled?

In which book does the knowledge of the set up of the Grand Oak Resort help to stop a crime from happening?

In which book is an umbrella full of leftover breakfast items dumped on a villain?

***Not So Different: What You Really Want to Ask About Having a Disability*** by Burcaw

In which book does the main character discuss his disease?

In which book does the main character describe is childhood as not as different as yours?

In which book does the main character need help from many people throughout the day?

In which book does the main character love mashed potatoes, mac and cheese, and pizza?

In which book does the main character have an elevator inside his house?

In which book does the main character love road trips?

In which book does the main character love making new friends?

***One Dead Spy: the Life, Times and the Last Words of Nathan Hale, America’s Most Famous Spy*** by Hale

In which book does the main character just want to be in a battle?

In which book does the main character tell a story to his captors?

In which book is the main character tricked into giving himself away?

In which book does the main character break some windows while in college?

In which book does the main character get a scar on his cheek?

In which book does the main character lead some men in capturing a ship?

In which book does the main character die very young?

In which book does the main character get to meet the President of the United States? (he wasn’t the president yet—should it say “future President of the United States”

In which book does the story take place in the 1700’s?

In which book does this quote appear: “I regret that I have but one life to give for my county.”

***Real Friends*** by Hale

In which book does the main character get called “Carrot Top”?

In which book does the main character want just one best friend?

In which book does the main character join “the group”?

In which book does the main character not understand why a certain girl does not like her?

In which book does the main character love to make up games and stories?

In which book does the main character’s older sister act very mean towards her?

In which book does the main character get stomach aches very often and miss school?

In which book does the main character have a need to count things?

In which book does the main character’s older sister move to Los Angeles to become a model?

***Wet Cement: a Mix of Concrete*** Poems by Raczka

In which book are very short stories told in shapes?

In which book does the author arrange letters to form pictures?

In which book are some words upside down?

***Wishtree*** by Applegate

In which book is the narrator not a human being?

In which book are some characters named after something they fear?

In which book does a character have a talent for mimicking sounds?

In which book is a tiny key gifted to a child?

In which book was a baby left in the hollow of a tree?

In which book does a possum “play dead” on a house’s front lawn?

In which book are there police officers named Sandy and Max?

In which book does the main character break a rule by speaking?

In which book does carving a word on a tree begin a neighborhood commotion?

In which book do characters try to make a plan to help two neighbor kids become friends?

***You Go First*** by Kelly

In which book do two kids meet through an online Scrabble game?

In which book is the main character afraid to see her father in the hospital?

In which book does the main character decide to run for the Student Council?

In which book does a character do research on the internet, leading her into rabbit holes of information?

In which book does a character worry he will not have anyone to call if he wins the lottery someday?

In which book does a character’s father crash his car in front of an Old Navy store after having a heart attack?

In which book is it the “in” thing with the “cool” kids to wear Vans sneakers with long laces?

In which book do parents announce to their child the surprising news that they are getting a divorce?

In which book does a character hear her former best friend describe her to other girls as a parasite?

In which book is a character tripped by a bully in the school hallway and get first aid in the attendance office?

In which book is a dissection of sea stars going to occur in science class?

In which book do characters phone each other from Pennsylvania and Louisiana.

In which book does the plot occur over six days?