



# 2018-2019 Battle of the Books

## Book List

- BANKS**      **FINDING SERENDIPITY:** When Tuesday McGillicuddy and her beloved dog Baxterr discover that Tuesday's mother--the famous author Serendipity Smith--has gone missing, they set out on a magical adventure. In their quest to find Serendipity, they discover the mysterious and unpredictable place that stories come from. (O)
- BARNETT**      **THE TERRIBLE TWO:** When master prankster Miles Murphy moves to sleepy Yawnee Valley, he challenges the local mystery prankster in an epic battle of tricks, but soon the two join forces to pull off the biggest prank ever seen. (O, OA, H, HA)
- BEASLEY**      **TUMBLE & BLUE:** In order for Tumble Wilson and Blue Montgomery to fix their ancestors' mistakes and banish the bad luck that has followed them around for all of their lives, they must face Munch, the mysterious golden alligator who cast the curse on their families centuries ago. (CD, OA)
- BROWN**      **LUCY & ANDY NEANDERTHAL:** Lucy and her goofball brother Andy, two Neanderthal siblings living 40,000 years ago, take on a wandering baby sibling, bossy teens, cave paintings, and a mammoth hunt.
- BUCKLEY**      **THE FAIRY-TALE DETECTIVES:** Orphans Sabrina and Daphne Grimm are sent to live with an eccentric grandmother that they have always believed to be dead. (CD, O, H)
- DAHL**      **THE BFG:** Snatched from her orphanage by a BFG (Big Friendly Giant), who spends his life blowing happy dreams to children, Sophie partners with him to concoct a plan to save the world from nine other man-gobbling cannybull giants. (CD, O, OA)
- DICAMILLO**      **FLORA & ULYSSES:** Rescuing a squirrel after an accident involving a vacuum cleaner, comic-reading cynic Flora Belle Buckman is astonished when the squirrel, Ulysses, demonstrates astonishing powers of strength and flight after being revived. (CD, O, H)
- DUNCAN**      **HOTEL FOR DOGS:** When Andi finds an adorable stray, she wants to save it—but she can't take it home. With the help of her brother Bruce, she rescues the stray and its puppies and moves them into an abandoned house down the block. Then they check in Red Rover, and MacTavish, and more! (CD, O, OA, HA)
- EULBERG**      **THE GREAT SHELBY HOLMES:** Nine-year-old Shelby Holmes, the best detective in her Harlem neighborhood, and her new easy-going friend from downstairs, eleven-year-old John Watson, become partners to solve a dog-napping case. (O)
- FAYERS**      **THE VOYAGE TO MAGICAL NORTH:** Brine Seaborne and her friend Peter find themselves in an adventure with pirates, invisible bears, and a seriously evil magician. (O)

- GLASER            THE VANDERBEEKERS OF 141<sup>ST</sup> STREET: Told that they will have to move out of their Harlem brownstone just after Christmas, the five Vanderbeeker children, ages four to twelve, decide to change their reclusive landlord's mind. (O)
- HICKS             THE WORM WHISPERER: Ellis Coffey, a lonely fifth-grader, discovers he might have the special gift of talking to bugs and decides to use his ability to win his town's annual Woolly Worm Race.
- JENSEN            ALMOST SUPER: Two brothers in a family of superheroes are forced to reexamine everything they knew about being super when the powers they receive are total duds and their enemy is revealed to be just like they are. (CD, O, H, HA)
- KARR              THE GREAT TURKEY WALK: In 1860, a somewhat simple-minded fifteen-year-old boy attempts to herd one thousand turkeys from Missouri to Denver, Colorado, in hopes of selling them at a profit. (CD)
- LEVINE            DAVE AT NIGHT: When orphaned Dave is sent to the Hebrew Home for Boys where he is treated cruelly, he sneaks out at night and is welcomed into the music- and culture-filled world of the Harlem Renaissance. (CD, OA, H)
- LLOYD            THE KEY TO EXTRAORDINARY: Emma Casey lives by a haunted graveyard in her Tennessee town, giving tours, and helping her brother and Granny Blue with the family bakery, and waiting for the destiny dream of her ancestors--but when it comes and shows her only a key, and she finds that she must solve a ghostly mystery that has haunted her town for generations. (CD, O, OA, HA)
- O'CONNOR        WISH: Charlie, with the help of the dog of her dreams, discovers family doesn't always have to be related--they are simply people who love you for who you are.
- RUSSELL          THE QUEST OF THE WARRIOR SHEEP: When a silvery object falls from the sky, the five sheep of Eppingham Farm decide they must save the sheep god and all of the sheeply nation, despite what dangers may lay ahead on their quest. (OA, H)
- THOMSON         THE EUREKA KEY: Three kids become involved in a dangerous quest to find seven keys left behind by a secret society which, when gathered together, unlock a powerful weapon. The three must solve the puzzles, find the artifacts before the bad guy does, and save the nation. (O)
- ZHANG            THE EMPEROR'S RIDDLE: During a family trip to China, eleven-year-old Mia Chen and her older brother, Jake, follow clues and solve riddles in hopes of finding their missing Aunt Lin and, perhaps, a legendary treasure.

**Additional format codes:**

- (O) Available in electronic print format – OverDrive
- (H) Available in electronic print format - Hoopla
- (CD) Audio available on CD
- (OA) Available in electronic audio format –OverDrive
- (HA) Available in electronic audio format –Hoopla