Reading Olympics 2024 Book List

  

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| **Title** | **Author** |
| ***A Rover’s Story***  Built to explore Mars, Resilience begins to develop human-like feelings as he learns from the NASA scientists who assembled him. As he blasts off to Mars, Resilience must overcome different obstacles as he explores the red planet. | Jasmine Warga |
| ***A Whole New Ballgame***  From the first morning with their odd new teacher, fifth grade is full of shocking surprises for best friends Rip and Red. | Phil Bildner |
| ***All that Trash***  The true story of a garbage barge that didn't have a place to dock--and was one of the events that led to the recycling movement. | Meghan McCarthy |
| ***Aru Shah and the End of Time***  Twelve-year-old Aru stretches the truth to fit in at her private school, but when she is dared to prove an ancient lamp is cursed, she inadvertently frees an ancient demon. | Roshani Choksho |
| ***Because of You, John Lewis***  When young Tybre Faw discovers Congressman John Lewis and his heroic march across the Edmund Pettus Bridge in the fight for the right to vote, Tybre is determined to meet him. Tybre's two grandmothers take him on the seven-hour drive to Selma, Alabama, where Lewis invites Tybre to join him in the annual memorial walk across the Bridge. And so begins a most amazing friendship | Andrea Davis Pinkney |
| ***Ben Yokoyama and the Cookie of Doom (#1)***  Eight-year-old Ben takes a fortune cookie literally, and believing he has only one day left to live, tries to do everything he has always wanted to before nightfall. | Matthew Swanson |
| ***Bridge to Terabithia***  Jess Aarons, a ten-year-old boy in rural Virginia, finds a beloved and unexpected friend in Leslie, the new girl at school. with whom he creates a secret kingdom in the woods. | Katherine Paterson |
| ***Click’d***  Looking forward to sharing the friendship-themed scavenger hunt app she built at programming camp, Allie is delighted when her app goes viral and qualifies her for a teen coding competition before she discovers a bug that forces her to seek a rival's help. | Tamara Stone |
| ***Dazzle Ships***  When the British Royal Navy grew desperate to protect their ship from German U-Boat attacks, they created Dazzle Ships to confuse the enemy of their location and destination | Chris Barton |
| ***Dragons in a Bag***  In Brooklyn, nine-year-old Jax joins Ma, a curmudgeonly witch who lives in his building, on a quest to deliver three baby dragons to a magical world, and along the way discovers his true calling. | Zetta Elliot |
| ***El Deafo***  Starting at a new school is scary, especially with a giant hearing aid strapped to your chest! At her old school, everyone in Cece’s class was deaf. Here, she’s different. She’s sure the kids are staring at the Phonic Ear, the powerful aid that will help her hear her teacher. Too bad it also seems certain to repel potential friends. | Cece Bell |
| ***From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler***  Two suburban children run away from their Connecticut home and go to New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art, where their ingenuity enables them to live in luxury. | E.L. Konigsburg |
| ***Front Desk***  Mia Tang works and lives at the motel with her parents, who secretly help immigrants, while she pursues her dream of being a writer | Kelly Yang |
| ***Hatchet***  After a plane crash, thirteen-year-old Brian spends fifty-four days in the wilderness, learning to survive with only the aid of a hatchet given him by his mother. | Gary Paulsen |
| ***Louisiana’s Way Home***  Louisiana begins to write the journey of her life so that anyone who was ever curious could have an answer. Her story begins with the curse her great-grandfather put into motion generations ago, one that has haunted her family ever since, including her. | Cervantes, Angela |
| ***Maizy Chen’s Last Chance***  In Last Chance, Minnesota with her family, Maizy spends her time at the Golden Palace, the restaurant that’s been in her family for generations, where she makes some discoveries requiring her to go on a search for answers. | Lisa Yee |
| ***No Talking***  The noisy fifth grade boys of Laketon Elementary School challenge the equally loud fifth grade girls to a "no talking" contest. | Andrew Clements |
| ***Once Crazy Summer***  In the summer of 1968, after traveling from Brooklyn to Oakland, California, to spend a month with the mother they barely know, eleven-year-old Delphine and her two younger sisters arrive to a cold welcome as they discover that their mother, a dedicated poet and printer, is resentful of the intrusion of their visit and wants them to attend a nearby Black Panther summer camp. | Rita Garcia |
| ***Rain Reign***  Not everyone understands Rose's obsessions, her rules, and the other things that make her different - not her teachers, not other kids, and not her single father. When a storm hits their rural town, rivers overflow, the roads are flooded, and Rain goes missing. Rose's father shouldn't have let Rain out. Now Rose must find her dog, even if it means leaving her routines and safe places to search. | Ann M. Marvin |
| ***Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes***  Hospitalized with the dreaded atom bomb disease, leukemia, a child in Hiroshima races against time to fold one thousand paper cranes to verify the legend that by doing so a sick person will become healthy. | Eleanor Coerr |
| ***Saving Winslow***  Louie doesn't have the best luck when it comes to nurturing small creatures-not even lightning bugs, worms, or goldfish. So, when his father brings home a sickly, newborn mini donkey, he's determined to save him. He names him Winslow. Taking care of him helps Louie feel closer to his brother, Gus, who is far, far away in the army. | Sharon Creech |
| ***The 39 Clues: The Maze of Bones Graphic Novel***  Dan and Amy Cahill are given the choice of receiving a million dollars or uncovering the thirty-nine clues hidden around the world that will lead to the source of the family's power, but by taking on the clues, they end up in a dangerous race against their own family. | Rick Riordan |
| ***The Collector***  Josie must discover the connection between a strange house in the woods, her grandmother's stories, and missing children, or risk losing her sister to dark magic | K.R. Alexander |
| ***The First Rule of Punk***  Twelve-year-old María Luisa O'Neill-Morales (who really prefers to be called Malú) reluctantly moves with her Mexican-American mother to Chicago. She starts seventh grade with a bang--violating the dress code with her punk rock aesthetic and spurning the middle school's most popular girl in favor of starting a band with a group of like-minded weirdos. | Celia C. Perez |
| ***Unplugged***  12-year-old Jett Baranov is the son of the world’s most famous tech billionaire. But he’s famous for being Silicon Valley’s No. 1 spoiled brat. And after one of his disastrous stunts, Jett is sent off to a retreat in the middle of Arkansas where he’s to remain unplugged for the summer. But when he spots something truly strange there, he has to prove that he’s more than just a troublemaker. | Gordon Korman |