

Battle of the Books Grand Traverse Book List 2018-2019

The Detective's Assistant (Hannigan) Lexile N/A

When orphaned eleven-year-old Nell Warne arrives in Chicago, she is shocked to find out that her long-lost aunt is a detective working for the famous Pinkerton's National Detective Agency! Aunt Kate is working on the biggest case of her life, and Nell quickly makes herself indispensable by cracking codes, wearing disguises, and spying on nefarious criminals. But can she also solve the case of what really happened on the night her best friend disappeared? *eBook on Overdrive and Playaway

The First Rule of Punk (Perez) Lexile 670

Malu loves punk rock music, hanging out at her dad's record store, and making zines. What she doesn't love is her mom's announcement that she and Malu are moving to Chicago for for two years for her job. Will Malu be able to fit in and should she even bother to make new friends? Will anyone in Chicago appreciate punk rock music? How will she cope without her dad and the music store? *eBook on Overdrive and Playaway

Hoot (Hiaasen) Lexile 760

Roy has lost track of how many schools he has attended. This time he is the new kid in Coconut Grove, Florida where he quickly makes two oddball friends but also an enemy, the local bully named Dana. Roy gets caught up in some uniquely Florida antics including his new friend's effort to save small burrowing owls threatened by the construction of a new pancake house in town. *Audiobook and eBook on Overdrive, audio CD, and Playaway

Knucklehead (Scieszka) Lexile 750

How did children's author Jon Scieszka get so funny, anyway? Growing up as one of six brothers was a good start, but that was just the beginning. Throw in Catholic school, lots of comic books, lazy summers at the lake, babysitting misadventures, TV shows, jokes told at family dinner, and the result is this book: Knucklehead. Part memoir, part scrapbook, this funny book is about Jon's early life in Michigan. *Audiobook on Overdrive

The Lions of Little Rock (Levine) Lexile 630

When Marlee starts school in 1958, it feels like her whole world is falling apart. Until she meets Liz, the new girl at school. Liz is everything Marlee wishes she could be: she's brave, brash, and always knows the right thing to say. But when Liz leaves school without even a good-bye, the rumor is that Liz was caught passing for white. Marlee decides that doesn't matter. She just wants her friend back. And to stay friends, Marlee and Liz are willing to take on segregation and face the dangers their friendship could bring to both their families. *eBook on Overdrive

IMPORTANT DATES

Mock Battles

February 24, 2019

Scholar's Hall @ Northwestern Michigan College

Team Battle Day

March 9, 2019

Scholar's Hall @ Northwestern Michigan College

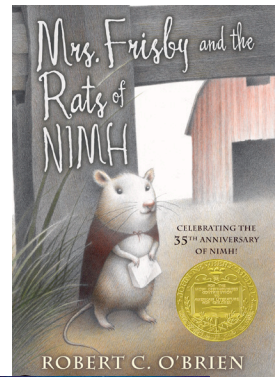
Championship & All-Team Finale

March 17, 2019

City Opera House

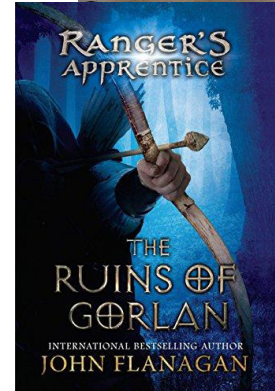
Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH (O'Brien) Lexile 790

Mrs. Frisby, a widowed mouse with four small children, is faced with a terrible problem. She must move her family to their summer home immediately or face almost certain death. But her youngest son, Timothy, lies ill with pneumonia and must not be moved. Mrs. Frisby must face her fears and enlist the help of other creatures such as the owl. Fortunately, she finds her way to the rats of NIMH, an extraordinary breed of highly intelligent creatures, who come up with a brilliant solution to her dilemma if she is brave enough to do it. *Audiobook on Overdrive and Playaway



The Ruins of Gorlan (Flanagan) Lexile 920

Rangers are known for their dark cloaks and shadowy ways. The villagers believe that Rangers practice magic that makes them invisible to ordinary people. And now 15-year-old Will, always small for his age, has been chosen as a Ranger's apprentice. What he doesn't yet realize is that the Rangers are the protectors of the kingdom. Highly trained in the skills of battle and surveillance, they fight the battles before the battles reach the people. And as Will is about to learn, there is a large battle brewing. *eBook on Overdrive, audio CD, and Playaway



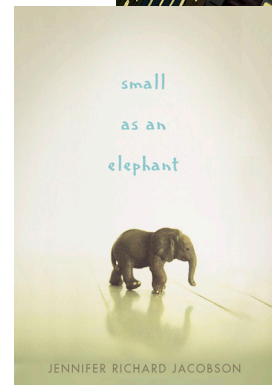
Sidekicks (Santat) GN 340

Captain Amazing, superhero and savior of Metro City, is getting old. He is out all hours battling arch-villains, catching thieves, and helping little old ladies cross the street. He doesn't even have time for his house full of pets. He needs - a SIDEKICK! Captain Amazing's four pets agree. But each one of them thinks HE should get the sidekick spot -- and a chance for one-on-one time with the Captain. Get ready for sibling rivalry as pets with superpowers duke it out for the one thing they all want -- a super family. *eBook on Overdrive



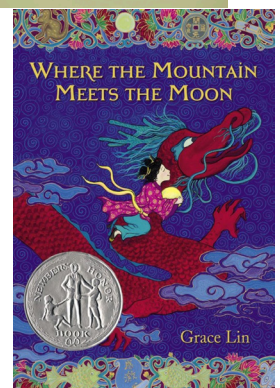
Small as an Elephant (Jacobson) Lexile 790

Ever since Jack can remember, his mom has been unpredictable, sometimes loving and fun, other times caught in a whirlwind of energy and "spinning" wildly until it's over. But Jack never thought his mom would take off during the night and leave him at a campground in Acadia National Park, with no way to reach her and barely enough money for food. Any other kid would report his mom gone, but Jack knows by now that he needs to figure things out for himself -- starting with how to get back home in Boston before the Department of Social Services catches on. With nothing but a small toy elephant to keep him company, Jack begins the long journey south, a journey that will test his wits and his loyalties. *eBook on Overdrive and Playaway



Where the Mountain Meets the Moon (Lin) Lexile 810

In the valley of Fruitless mountain, a young girl named Minli lives in a rundown hut with her parents. In the evenings, her father entertains her with old folktales of the Jade Dragon and the Old Man on the Moon, who knows the answers to all of life's questions. Inspired by these stories, Minli sets off on an extraordinary journey to find the Old Man on the Moon to ask him how she can change her family's fortune. She encounters an assorted cast of characters and magical creatures along the way. *eBook and audiobook on Overdrive and audio CD



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