

Battle of the Books 2016

5th Grade Practice Questions

The Fish in Room 11 **by Heather Dyer**

- In which book were there many treasure seekers with shovels on a beach. (page 59)
- In which book was there a cavern filled with "treasures: shells, broken tea cups, vases covered with barnacles." (page 31)
- In which book at the end, do chandeliers sparkle, lilies sit on the reception desk and cakes are served every day. (page 156)
- In which book did a character confess to leaving a baby on a bed in room 23. (page 151)
- In which book did a character exchange an opal pendant for a glass ball with snow inside. (page 94)
- In which book did a character have to be rescued from the sea by the coast guard. (page 144)
- In which book did a character have trouble moving wheels through sand because of a heavy load. (page 90)
- In which book did a character make a quick profit by selling plastic buckets and spades. (page 65)
- In which book did a character screw in a door's peephole the wrong way around. (page 117)

Report to the Principal's Office **By Jerry Spinelli**

- In which book does someone hate the taste of pickles. (page 55)
- In which book are 340 students going to perform in the school band. (page 121)
- In which book are two characters assigned to be the flag-raiser for the school. (page 59)

- In which book did a character invent a "chalk glove" so they could finish a writing punishment in record time. (page 22)
- In which book did a character spend part of a bus ride with a runny nose (page 8)
- In which book did a character win a gold pin for a story called, "The Squirrels of Pauline". (page 13)
- In which book do two characters vow to not wash their hair again till they are back in the same school. (page 2)
- In which book do characters use tomato plant fertilizer to booby trap a lunch-bag. (page 131)
- In which book does a band have a rubber band section. (page 96)

Million Dollar Kick
By Dan Gutman

- In which book does a character get their name because of how they made noises as a baby in the hospital. (page 46)
- In which book can a character eavesdrop on her parent's conversation by listening at the heating vent in her room. (page 41)
- In which book did a character use the book "The History of Modern Art" to hide another book while in a bookstore. (page 58)
- In which book do characters practice at an abandoned YMCA building. (page 124)
- In which book do some high school students refuse to help coach someone because that student had said their sport was moronic. (page 91)
- In which book do they use a device the size of a Walkman to record speed in miles per hour. (page 129)
- In which book does a ball smash through a garage door. (page 157)
- In which book does a character bring a tape recorder into a forest to see if a tree falling makes a sound if no one is there to hear it. (page 165)
- In which book does a character discover the "art is their thing". (page 135)

Swindle **By Dan Gutman**

- In which book do characters go to every mall, carnival, street fair and free concert so they are out of the house during house sale showings. (page 95)

- In which book are there many different stories about what haunts a dilapidated old house. (page 6)

- In which book does a character think a folded green invitation was stuck on their locker by mistake. (page 120)

- In which book does a character ask an old man to teach him how to play backgammon. (page 135)

- In which book does a character take 15 minute naps in the nurse's office everyday because they have narcolepsy. (page 159)

- In which book does a character decide to "ad lib" a fall off a porch so the police won't be called. (page 195)

- In which book does a character go back to an old, rusted mailbox to retrieve a "million dollar letter". (page 241)

- In which book do characters secretly videotape someone to figure out a security code. (page 70)

- In which book does a character explain, "In the collectibles game, possession is tenths of the law." (page 38)

The Westing Game **by Ellen Raskin**

- In which book did the character have her mother's silver cross in her pocket? (page 17)

- In which book does a character stay in a scary house for \$2 a minute on Halloween night? (page 16)

- In which book does a character wear a full ethnic costume with a turban on their head? (page 140)

- In which book is a gift wrapped in gold foil not really a gift? (page 95)

- In which book is the idea of using the back wall of an elevator as a bulletin board considered a great idea. (page 52)

- In which book is there a building called Sunset Towers, even though the apartments all face east? (page 1)

- In which book was a color-timed candle used as a fuse for a bomb? (page 71)

- In which book was a flask filled with lemonade? (page 168)

- In which book was no one able to read a notebook because the shorthand was written in Polish? (page 69)

The Cricket in Time Square **By George Selden**

- In which book are concerts given at 8:00 am & 4:30 pm? (page 110)

- In which book did a character feed an insect a piece of chocolate bar? (page 10)

- In which book did a character hear a "mysterious sound" that sounded like "a quick stroke across the strings of a violin"? (page 7)

- In which book did someone try to steal a silver bell? (page 113)

- In which book did the mother call her child's pet a jinx and demand that it is gotten rid of? (page 89)

- In which book do characters say they want to go to the country in Connecticut next summer? (page 134)

- In which book does a boy play games like leapfrog and hide and seek with his pet? (page 126)

- In which book does a cat get hit with a Fortune magazine? (page 58)

- In which book does a character open his concert with a hymn called "Rock of Ages" because it is Sunday? (page 99)

The Indian in the Cupboard
By Lynne Reid Banks

- In which book does a character forget to pack their swim stuff because they were arguing with their brothers before school. (page 16)
- In which book does a character enjoying eating a single kernel of corn. (page 24)
- In which book does a character want paint so they can make Iroquois symbols to please the spirits. (page 35)
- In which book does a character's father explain that "a tree can die if you strip off too much bark". (page 75)
- In which book does a character explain the sound of a horse whinny is just a "clockwork dolphin they got in their Christmas stocking". (page 83)
- In which book does a character roughly shove a cowboy and horse into his pant's pocket. (page 104)
- In which book does a character make a meal of fried egg, beans and bread. (page 122)
- In which book does a character getting into a shoving match while in the cafeteria. (page 146)
- In which book is a character sad because they lost a small, magical key with a red satin ribbon tied to it. (page 183)

Woodsong
By Gary Paulson

- In which book does a sled fly off a trail "into space" causing a man's kneecap to be torn loose? (page 26)
- In which book are there many "checkpoints" that must be reached? (page 110)
- In which book do chickens flock around a chimney to warm themselves? (page 43)
- In which book does a character become violently sick with a high fever and delirium while hunkering down in the woods to wait out a storm? (page 81)
- In which book does a character climb the Alaska Range which takes almost 2 days to get up? (page 99)

- In which book does a character eat Chef Boyardee raviolis mixed with small pieces of fat? (page 81)

- In which book does a character have a scary encounter with a bear named Scarhead after throwing a stick at him? (page 40)

- In which book does a character have to cut through many trees in order to navigate through a piece of land? (page 106)

- In which book does a character say that they spent most of their time outside in "the woods"? (page 1)