



Battle Of the Books - 2021  
Reading List  
Grades 6, 7 & 8



\*The way this book must be written for "The Battle"

1. *Sweep: The Story of a Girl and Her Monster* by Jonathan Auxier  
Pub. 2018 --- 368 pages

\* Sweep - Auxier

Orphaned Nan Sparrow works as a chimney sweep in nineteenth-century England. After becoming trapped in a chimney fire, she wakes to find herself in an abandoned attic with a golem made of soot and ash.

2. *New Kid* by Jerry Craft  
Pub. 2019 --- 256 pages

\* New Kid - Craft

Seventh-grader Jordan Banks reveals his apprehensions attending a NY private school as one of the few students of diversity.

3. *Tristan Strong Punches a Hole in the Sky* by Kwame Mbalia  
Pub. 2019 --- 496 pages

\* Tristan Strong - Mbalia

After Tristan's best friend Eddie dies, he's left with a journal that could hold the key to saving the world. Set in a richly-imagined world populated with African American folk heroes and West African gods.