

2017-18 SSYRA Name That Book Trivia Game

Grades 3-5

Allie, First At Last

- “Green goo has killed my volcano. My chance to win the science fair at Sendak has been slimed!” (p. 16)
- “We gave her our word. And in life, your word is your character.” (p. 37)
- “And the truth is men do cry and there’s nothing wrong with that.” (p. 103)
- “The way Victor looks at me makes my whole face warm. He’s right again. He’s been a good friend.” (p. 114)
- “Mija, that medal was never mine. I always felt like it belonged to the men who died.” (p. 147)
- “It’s hard for me to focus on anything else but the contest results. How can I focus on math, spelling, history, or science when I know there’s a panel of judges out there deciding my fate?” (p. 153)
- “Trailblazers start out as regular kids, just like the ten of us here on this stage. We don’t know where the future will lead us, but at some point, like with my great-gramps, we’ll be confronted with challenges and opportunities. It’s what we do with those challenges and opportunities that define us.” (p. 186)
- “True trailblazers are motivated not by glory, but for love. For the love of family, friends, and country. Their lives and stories remind us that we too can be great and accomplish the impossible.” (p. 187)
- “I know that medals aren’t the most important thing in the world, but when you get one for being a #1 Best Friend... well, that feels like being Billy Mills crossing the finish line, Gwendolyn Brooks taking home the Pulitzer Prize, and Junko Tabei reaching the top of Mount Everest – all at the same time.” (p. 199-200)

Almost a World Record Breaker

- “Once you see your little brother curled up in a cat box, it’s hard to picture him any other way.” (p. 4)
- “As I recall you went through a phase of eating only orange foods. Carrots, carrot cake, pumpkin, pumpkin pie, oranges” (p. 19)
- “There are only a few things that go into a toilet. Socks are not one of them.” (p. 28)
- “I didn’t think my birthday could get worse but it did. I’m hiding out from my neighbor who’s staring at his pigeons. Sure, they’re cool, and sure, it would be interesting to watch them that closely, but I’ve got a tent to put up before I turn eleven!” (p. 47)
- “But Mom is faster than she looks. She’s also got this thing called telepathy where she knows stuff without being told.” (p. 68)
- “I mean, our robes are so short that our legs stick out. Darth Maul does not wear sneakers, or if he does, no one sees them.” (p. 80)

- “Mom says some things aren’t comfortable or easy, like having seven children, but you still do them.” (p. 89)
- “I should have known the reason he doesn’t want me to die is because of his pigeons.” (p. 115)

Castle Hangnail

- “The ravens assured him that the new Master or Mistress of the castle would arrive tonight. He hung about the main door, waiting. Would it be an Evil Wizard? A Dark Sorceress? A Loathsome Hag?” (p. 2)
- “Has anybody got the donkey?” “Someone open a door” “I’ve got the donkey right here.” “Hee-Haw”. “My dears, can you please explain what’s going on? Are we having a blizzard?” (p. 286)
- “His right arm was still frozen, but that didn’t bother him. Clenched between his frozen fingers, an icy weight against his palm, lay the Imperial Squid.” (p. 268)
- “People talk about tension so thick that you can cut it with a knife. You couldn’t have cut this with a knife. A knife would have bounced off. You’d need a sledgehammer for tension like thi s.” (p. 137)
- “People won’t know it’s not supposed to look like that. They’ll just move in because we’re a quaint little village with charming atmosphere, and then want to know where the *real* grocery store is and why isn’t there a nail salon and pretty soon they’re putting up more stores and we’re just a faceless little town where the village used to be. She scowled. ‘I’ve seen it happen. I used to live over in North Hickory, and..well. It was the nicest little town. *Was.*” (p. 130)
- “Let it work, let it work, let this be enough to satisfy it--I don’t know what I’ll do if it’s not enough--I don’t think it’ll be content to just dance now, it’s gotten so big...” (p. 345)
- “[She] reached out, groped along the wall--the light switch should be there, shouldn’t it?--and heard a chilling sound. Scritch. Scritch. Scritch. It was the sound of someone trying to light a match.” (p. 190)
- “All if these things --birdseed and pipes and nails and wire of all varieties--can be found at a good hardware store. [She] did not actually need any of these things. She needed to buy a box of nails and get a hole drilled. Mr. Jensen, who ran the store, was happy to drill a very small hole for her.” (p. 181)
- “And suddenly it was easy. He’d asked. He’d *asked*, and she could say *No*, and that meant that she could also say--*Yes.*” (p. 162)
- “Perhaps it was simply because he had a dour disposition, or because he was used to serving dark and dreary Masters, but when things went this well, a minion like Majordomo could not help but expect something to go terribly, terribly wrong.” (p. 115)
- “Donkey’s and lace simply do not go together, which is part of the reason you very rarely see a doily on a mule.” (p. 110)

A Dragon’s Guide to the Care and Feeding of Humans

- “If you value your happiness and sanity, take your time and choose your pet

- wisely.” (p. 1)
- “In my experience, it’s a rare human who can accept you for who you truly are.” (p. 19)
- “Real magic has consequences. If I make a mistake, I can’t undo it by pressing a button...” (p. 35)
- “Maybe she expected our lives together to be like this...full of happy flights and quiet, pleasant moments. If so, how very wrong she was.” (p. 55)
- “Besides being clever and courageous, she was a tough little thing. It’s funny how a life of trouble can make some creatures scared of their own shadow and others – like Winnie – stronger and better.” (p. 80)

Framed!

- “Becoming a detective wasn’t something I meant to do. It just sort of happened because I notice things other people don’t.” (p. 2)
- “1. Suck air through nose. 2. Blow air back through nose. 3. Repeat twenty thousand times every day.” (p. 27)
- “Don’t feel bad. He does that to everyone. You just got TOASTed.” (p. 101)
- “He can help save the country,” she said. “But only after he finishes all of his schoolwork.” (p. 111)
- “‘Epic’ is one of Margaret’s favorite words. It’s also a good way to describe the scope of the grounding my parents gave me after Agent Rivers drove us home and told them what happened.” (p. 260)
- “They’re reporting that *Woman with a Parasol* was stolen, and claiming the FBI and National Gallery kept it a secret out of embarrassment.” (p. 261)

The Hero Two Doors Down

- “We are blessed this evening to have our Christian friends join us for this annual celebration of commitment. Hanukkah is a time for families to celebrate freedom, faith and peace.” (p. 181)
- “The next day, I was sent to the principal’s office because I bloodied a classmate’s nose. I hadn’t been in trouble since last spring. I could tell right away that Mrs. Wexler was very disappointed in me.” (p. 137)
- “‘Let’s start building the basic plane by cutting out the parts printed on this large piece of wood. I’ll cut out the pieces, and you can sand the edges until they’re smooth and the exact shape of their outline. As soon as you were born, I dreamed of the moment,’ Dad said.” (p. 127)
- “‘Prejudice and discrimination are wrong, son. Our family will not discriminate against another person.’” (p. 34)
- “But the very next day, I got caught playing stickball in the hallway on the third floor. My fare was sealed. Terrified, I waited outside my classroom for Sena.” (p.19)
- “‘When I was your age, I joined a gang. We called ourselves the Pepper Street Gang. We didn’t do anything really bad... stole some golf balls and sold them

back to the golfers...took fruit from the stands. We got lucky. A young minister came into our lives and helped turn me around. ...” (p.93)

Maxi's Secrets

- “Sometimes love stinks.” (p. 8)
- “Bad news is still bad news - even if you’re expecting it.” (p. 30)
- “A new friend is like a wrapped present - you’re not sure what inside, but you can’t wait to find out.” (p. 73)
- “It’s better to focus on what you can do instead of what you can’t do.” page. 111
- “When you expect nothing ... everything is a treat.” (p. 147)
- “To get through life, sometimes you have to hold on tight.” (p. 185)
- “When life gives you poop, you’re gonna get dirty -- so you may as well roll with it.” (p. 246)

My Brother is a Superhero

- “A curious expression spread across his face. “I wonder,” he mused, sticking out one hand and flaring his fingers at me like some cheesy magician. Lightning did not shoot from his fingertips. But I was too stunned to notice, since something equally remarkable was happening. (p.5)
- “I stood there with my mouth wide open. So much to make sense of. So many questions. However, one thought pushed its way to the front of the line. “But I was only gone five minutes!” The most important five minutes in the history of the world, and I’d missed it because I needed to pee.” (p.10)
- “Keeping Zack’s secret was particularly difficult at school, where my friends could talk about nothing else. My best friend, Serge, who’s French and therefore starved of proper superhero role models, became obsessed with Star Guy. I’ll admit it, I’m quite fanatical when it comes to superheroes, but Serge went completely nuts.” (p.58)
- “The comic book business is booming,” said Christopher Talbot in response to Lara’s latest query. “People always need superheroes, but especially when times are hard. We all want something to believe in. So the arrival of Star Guy has been biggest thing to happen in years. The world has been wishing for a real superhero since the Golden Age of comics, and now here we have one. In our own backyard!” (p.122)
- “But you didn’t have to take Zack’s powers,” I said. “Not every superhero needs superpowers. A lot of them train for years, honing mind and body to become crime fighters. You could have gone the Batman route.” (p.258)

Night of the Living Worms

- “Derrière. That’s French for ‘behind.’” (p. 14)
- “First he’d stayed up all night, but by dawn he was so tired that he started hallucinating.” (p. 24)
- “The darkness is full of shadowy beasts that will eat you, and others that will squeeze you until you POP.” (p. 56)

- “Cheesable Mercy! I just about wet my feathers!” (p. 68)
- “My brother’s so fast he won’t even know it’s dangerous until it’s too late!” (p. 84)
- “What’s the big rush? WHAT’S THE BIG RUSH? It’s only a matter of life and death! THAT’S the big rush!” (p. 100).
- “A couple of squirrels watched from the end of a branch, twitching their tails and chattering in Squirrelese.” (p. 105).
- “Some of the squirrels went a little crazy, even the ones with berry juice splattered on their derrieres. Soda Pop was so excited he burped the whole alphabet, and Hoover’s head spun around four times.” (p. 116)

Pugs of the Frozen North

- “It had fought battles with killer whales in the dark blue depths and dragged polar bears down into its chilly lair, but it had never met creatures like these before.”
- p. 92
- “For a moment, nobody spoke except for Sir Basil, who said, “Me! I’m the winnder, of course!” p. 175
- “At first [he] wasn’t even sure he was a man; under all those coverings he looked like a old boat that had been brought ashore and turned upside down for winter.”
- p. 52
- “I’m so “Just because they’re tiny doesn’t mean they’re not strong, and loyal, and brave. And I have leashes and little harnesses for all of them. I bet they could pull you and your grandpa all the way to the North Pole easily.” p. 43
- “The cabin boy, the youngest member of the crew, stirred in his sleep as the sounds of rippling and splashing faded into frozen silence.” p. 1
- “Suddenly, he opened one eye. Was that wings he’d heard? Passing across the sky above the shop, settling on the snow outside...” p. 199
- “He beamed at the children again. ‘So, kids! Next stop, Kraken Deep, eh? What’s supposed to go on there, do you think?’” p. 83
- glad you made it!’ he said, and his voice was warm and rich like a wintertime dessert.” p. 172
- “It was a big treat for them when newcomers arrived and they had someone else to do the washing up for a change. They locked the doors to the kitchen and they were all outside on the deck.” p. 126

Save Me a Seat

- “We moved to Hamilton, New Jersey, a few months ago-May 13 to be exact. I am fresh off the boat, as they say.” (p.4)
- “The world is full of Dillon Samreens, Joe, Mr. Barnes says, unwrapping a piece of gum and putting it in his mouth. “The trick is not to let them get to you.” (p.37)
- Your book is the first thing your teacher will notice, Ravi,” Amma told me as she carefully wrote my name on one of the smooth white labels. “First impressions matter.” “Just because Joe needs help doesn’t mean he isn’t bright. You shouldn’t assume things about a person before you know who they really are”.(p.84)

- “‘Duck!’ I yell. But it’s too late.” (p.112)
- “I haven’t laughed this hard in a long time, and every time I think I’m done. I look at his little round ears and his peanut boxers, my stomach bunches up and it starts all over again. I’m laughing so hard I’m crying now. Dillon’s an expert at dishing it out, but he hasn’t spent much time on the receiving end.” (p.121)
- “You are smart and funny and the best son a father could ever have. There is more to you than meet the eye, Joseph James Sylvester, and don’t you ever forget that.” (p.153)
- “Personal reflection: Bring in an object that you feel represents who you are, along with a one-sentence explanation for why you chose this particular object. Please write your sentence on an index card and do not put your name on the card.” (p.156)
- “So much for impressing Mrs. Beam with my great idea. All I have left is an empty dish, which is exactly what I feel like at the moment.” (p.177)
- “Turns out you don’t have to punch someone in the nose or blab about your feelings to get your point across. Sometimes all you need is a little help from a friend.” (p.213)

The Vanishing Coin

- “The idea made him so mad that he didn’t notice the shadow in the office doorway. It still wasn’t the principal. It was much worse. Jackson Jacobs, Mike’s enemy since birth, was shaking his head. “Not again!” Jackson said. “It’s only the first week of school, man. You’re in trouble already?” (p.7)
- “A bell rang when they walked into the store, but nobody came out to greet them. Nora followed Mike into a room full of what his mom would have called antiques, but his dad would have called junk. There were old mirrors, dented trucks, lamps without shades. Mike wrote his name in the dust on a table.” (p.20)
- “He still remembered this time his friend Zack had a magician at his birthday party. Mike sat right next to him so he could watch what he was doing. No matter how carefully he watched, though, he couldn’t figure out how the guy made things disappear. Or how he got flowers to bloom from the end of his wand.” (p.35)
- “Mr. Zerlin showed him how to practice in a mirror so he could see what his audience would see. He promised that Mike would get over the weirdness of talking to himself. “It’s the best way for a magician to rehearse,” he said. (p.54)
- “Yesterday, after we left the library, I begged my dad to take me back to The White Rabbit,” Mike explained. “I thought I might be able to get a magic book there even after the library was closed. Mr. Zerlin was leaving. But he had this book there, just waiting for me. He gave it to me and disappeared down the street.” (p.105)

A Whole New Ballgame

- “He looked like a cross between the barista at Perky’s, the coffee shop my mom always complains about because it’s so expensive (even though she stops there every morning), and the bassist from Elephant Sponges, this band I saw on

YouTube. The man had long, dark hair, piercings up and down both ears, and braided leather bracelets.” (p. 9)

- “He drew a circle in the air with his finger. ‘That’s our class project. We’re writing a book together. It’s going to be called *That’s Nasty!*’” (p. 85)
- “Thankfully, once I stepped into the gym for Clifton United’s first official practice, I shifted into basketball mode. I love that I can do that. For the next ninety-five minutes, I was all hoops.” (p. 94).
- “‘Life is about waiting for the storm to pass.’ He swung his hat strings. ‘It’s about learning to dance in the rain.’” (p. 121)
- “‘First day of school last year,’ she said softly. ‘I got a flat the first day last year.’
- ‘The first day?’
- ‘The first friggin’ day.’ She squeezed her brakes. ‘I got thumb-tacked and had to spend the whole morning in the AP’s office.’” (p. 123)
- “The grossest thing we learned about had to do with movie theaters: Fecal matter is everywhere, and by fecal matter, I mean poop. Yeah, poop.” (p. 141)
- “She’s the kid in the wheelchair. He’s the kid who’s crazy about the Beatles. She’s the kid who loves Hello Kitty. He’s the military kid. She’s the theater kid. He’s the kid who wears hats with earflaps. She’s the kid who runs track. He’s the kid who calls everyone by their first name and their last name. He’s the man with the piercings and tattoos and who looks like he’s in a rock band.” (p. 191)
- “‘Good luck,’ Mr. Acevedo said. ‘You may begin.’ As soon as a teacher says those three words at the start of a test, I begin to sweat and shake and bug out.” (p. 233)

The Wild Robot

- “Something was happening inside the goose egg. Tap, tap, tap. Tap, tap, tap. Tap, tap, CRUNCH!” (p. 69)
- “She discovered that all the different animals shared one common language; they just spoke the language in different ways. You might say each species spoke with its own unique accent.” (p. 47)
- “Animal sounds filled the forest. Chirps and wingbeats and rustlings in the underbrush. And then, from the sea cliffs, there came new sounds. Heavy, crunching footsteps. The forest animals fell silent, and from their hiding places they watched as a sparkling monster stomped past.” (p. 16)
- “Hello, ROZZUM unit 7134. We are the RECOs. We are here to retrieve all ROZZUM units.” (p. 226)
- “The wilderness really can be ugly sometimes. But from that ugliness came beauty. You see, those poor dead creatures returned to the earth, their bodies nourished the soil, and they helped create the most dazzling spring bloom the island had ever known.” (p. 195)
- “*Click*. It took a while for the otters to realize that something was happening inside the crate. But a moment later, they heard it. A low whirring sound.” (p. 6)
- “Perhaps I am simply meant to help others.” (p. 192)

Willy Maykit in Space

- “They kept walking, crossed a few creeks, then headed down a slope. After a while, it leveled off into some kind of grove with a very different sort of tree. The leaves o the trees were a light shade of pink-even the tree trunks were pink-and they were filled with apple-size purple fruit.” (p.82 PB)
- “A year before, he had been examining what he thought was a new form of orchid and getting rather excited. He was a scientist. Scientists are always getting excited over strange things.” (p. 51 PB)
- ““It was a class field trip to Planet Ed. I saw a trail leading into the woods, and I had to see what was beyond the bend, didn’t i?”” (p. 200 PB)
- “What he didn’t mention was his father. He was his father’s son-that much was true-but bringing it up would just cause his mother to dig in even deeper. Best to stick to the education argument.” (p. 16 PB)
- “The thought of food had kept him moving as they hiked the steep hillside to the wreckage. But there was no sign of anything edible, just a burned-out crash site.” (p. 158 PB)
- “This started another discussion on the dangers of wandering away from the safety of their tree, now that the monsters were out and about day and night. On the other hand, at some point they’d need food and water. They’d have to risk it.” (p. 138 PB)
- “There was no time to explain America’s pastime to a guy from another planet.” (p. 128 PB)
- “A mighty roar. Make that three roars-grizzly bear, T. rex, and killer whale, times three.” (p.117 PB)
- ““It’s too bad we’re not going to our planet. We have the best food in the universe.”” (p.190 PB)