



# Adult Sponsor Tips:

**An adult sponsor can be any adult [teacher, librarian, educational assistant, parent, relative, volunteer...]**

*The responsibilities of the adult sponsor are to ensure that the individual / team members have parental / guardian permission to participate, to ensure information is passed on to the team members in a timely fashion, and to support the team members in whatever ways necessary to enable their BOB participation.*

**Preparing:** The level of preparation work that the adult sponsor does with their participants is up to them. Some sponsors read the books themselves - some do not. Some create questions to ask the kids, some have kids create questions to ask each other, some quiz the kids on the main ideas of the books, the character names, etc. - some do not. The important part is to ensure that the participants have access to the information / materials that they need to be able to take part - a child can still participate even if they have done all the preparation work on his/her own. But support in this area from the sponsor can be helpful.

**Change:** Sometimes situations change and registrations may have to be adjusted. Just keep us up to date with what is happening should this occur. Usually it is easily worked out.

**Books:** Please be aware, as an adult sponsor, that if you are checking the books out on your own library card, then handing them to the students, you will still be responsible for any damage or loss that occurs. We discourage this practice, but we encourage participants / their guardians to get a library card for themselves and to be responsible for their own books.

**Qualification Round:** Ensure that the individual / team is able to get online to do the practice quiz [ahead of time] and the qualification quiz on the designated day.

**In-School Battle:** Ensure that there is a location for the library to come and run the battle. Sign up for a day/time for the library to come. Ensure that the participants are able to attend. It is your choice whether you choose to allow an audience for this battle. Plan for one hour for the in-school battle.

**Grand Finale:** Ensure that the participants have transportation and are able to get to the library / council chambers on the designated day. Only those running the Grand Finale, adult sponsors, participants and the press will be allowed in the council chambers. We will stream the battles over Zoom - the link for this will only be shared with library staff/volunteers, guest authors, the press, and adult sponsors. Adult sponsors may share the link with their schools and parents if they so choose. Please use discretion in sharing this link so that we respect the safety and privacy of the children. The battle will also be streamed to the big screen in the library, however, there is not a lot of space so we do encourage folks to watch over Zoom from other locations. In the case that some students do not have permission for videos / photos to be taken, we may not be able to stream the event. Event recordings will not be saved so viewing must be done at the time of the battles. The length of the Grand Finale will depend on how many schools are participating. Grade 5/6 & 7/8 have fewer schools that can participate, so this may take approximately 2 hours, while Grade 3/4 can be up to 4 hours.

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