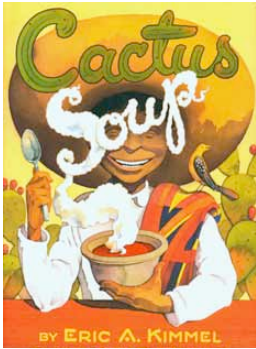


A Children's Choice Award.

Each child votes for his or her favorite book.

The award is named for Patricia Gallagher, a retired Western Oregon University professor of children's literature, a former ORA President, and a member of the nominating committee.

Nominees for the 2011-2012 Award

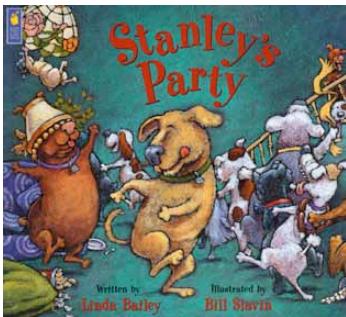
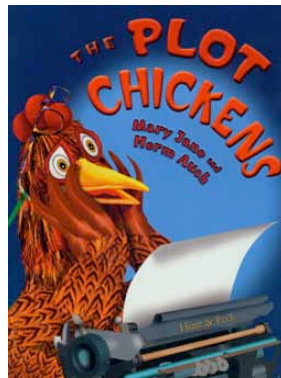


CACTUS SOUP

by Eric A. Kimmel
Illustrated by Phil Huling
Marshall Cavendish
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THE PLOT CHICKENS

by Mary Jane Auch
Illustrated by Mary Jane and
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Holiday House
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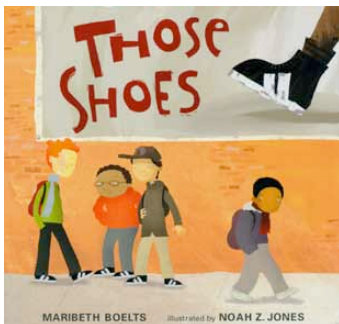
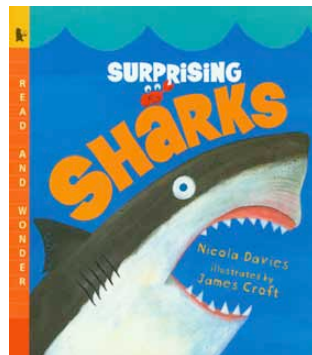


STANLEY'S PARTY

by Linda Bailey
Illustrated by Bill Slavin
Kids Can Press
9781553377689

SURPRISING SHARKS

by Nicola Davies
Illustrated by James Croft
Candlewick
978-0763627423



THOSE SHOES

by Maribeth Boelts
Illustrated by Noah Z. Jones
Candlewick
9780763624996

About the Award

The award was founded in 1997 as a way to promote literacy and a love of reading—one of the goals of the Oregon Reading Association, a professional organization of approximately 3,000 members. The books are chosen by a committee of ORA leaders, teachers, school librarians, and public librarians.

The books must be readily available in paperback, be no more than eight years old, hold an innate appeal to children, and have quality text and illustrations.

Who May Vote?

Oregon school children of all ages are eligible to vote. Each child votes for his or her own favorite.

When to Vote

Voting occurs between September 1, 2011 and April 30, 2012. Votes must be reported by May 1, 2012.

Where to Vote

Voting may take place in any classroom, school library, or public library in the state of Oregon.

Reporting Votes

Report votes to your local council chair or

Report votes by phone, mail, or email to Beverly Farris:

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