


# Getting Ready!

Tips for students who are preparing to compete in the HSE campus competition

- Keep a list of the books and cross off each book as you read it
- Search for the books in the school library, public library, and half-price book stores; ask your teachers and friends if they have copies to share
- Keep a notebook or folder with notes you take on each book. These notes will be great to review and refresh your memory before competing. Check out these examples:

## k-2 Sample Notes

Book Title

Picture drawn by student
Important character names or places

## 3-5 and 6-8 Sample Notes (these books not on 2010-2011 list)

Book Title	Important Character Names	Important Setting Details	Notes
The Tale of Despereaux	Despereaux Princess Pea Roscuro Gregory Furlough	Castle	Author writes comments to "Reader"
Freak the Mighty	Freak, Kevin Avery Max, Maxwell Kane Grim and Gram	Grandparents' house Hospital	Max is telling the story, which has already happened

- Check Wednesday Mail for updates about the competition
- Student sign-up sheet for the HSE try-outs will be posted at the end of Fall semester