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LETTERS ABOUT LITERATURE

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2009/2010 INDIANA STATE WINNERS

LEVEL I – FINALISTS

1st Place: Samuel Huff – Castle North Middle School, Newburgh

2nd Place: A.J. Sallee – Tri-West Middle School, Lizton

3rd Place: Robert Vukovich – Zionsville Middle School, Zionsville

Hon. Mention: Lucy Bays – Zionsville Middle School, Zionsville

Hon. Mention: Sophia Olsen – St. Bavo Catholic School, Mishawaka

LEVEL II – FINALISTS

1st Place: Rachel Meyers – Hasten Hebrew Academy, Indianapolis

2nd Place: Madison Kemker – Jasper Middle School, Jasper

3rd Place: Sydney Gray – Battle Ground Middle School, West Lafayette

Hon. Mention: Sigal Tavel – Halten Hebrew Academy, Indianapolis

Hon. Mention: Elyse Romanovich – Battle Ground Middle School, West Lafayette

Hon. Mention: Mrinalini Sugosh – Evansville Day School, Evansville

Hon. Mention: Kiersten Reed – St. Bavo Catholic School, Mishawaka

LEVEL III – FINALISTS

1st Place: Rahaf Safi – Plainfield High School, Plainfield

2nd Place: Shelby Orange – Clinton Prairie Jr/Sr High School, Frankfort

3rd Place: Jessica Leeper – Huntington North High School, Huntington

Hon. Mention: Laura Beckman – Jasper High School, Jasper

Hon. Mention: Natalie Collinsgru – Jasper High School, Jasper

Hon. Mention: Juan Ramos – Jasper High School, Jasper

LETTERS ABOUT LITERATURE SEMIFINALISTS

INDIANA: LEVEL I (GRADES 4-6)

Name	School	Author	Title
Macey Milroy	Blair Pointe Upper Elementary	Margaret Peterson Haddix	<i>Among the Hidden</i>
Mariah Charels	Castle North Middle School	Jerry Spinelli	<i>Stargirl</i>
Jacey Stewart	Castle North Middle School	Jeanne DuPra	<i>The City of Ember</i>
Parker Peach	Castle North Middle School	Eoin Colfer	<i>The Artic Incident</i>
Samuel Huff	Castle North Middle School	Brian Selznick	<i>The Invention of Hugo Cabret</i>
Xinlan Emily Hu	Castle North Middle School	Brian Jacques	<i>Redwall</i>
Ruple Jairath	Castle North Middle School	L.M. Montgomery	<i>Anne of Green Gables</i>
Adriana Lopez	Charlestown Middle School	Dr. Seuss	<i>Oh, the Places You'll Go!</i>
Samantha Snodgrass	Charlestown Middle School	Cornelia Funke	<i>Inkspell</i>
Halle Sullivan	Evansville Day school	Shel Silverstein	<i>The Giving Tree</i>
Adam Martin	Fall Creek Intermediate School	E. B. White	<i>Trumpet of the Swan</i>
Kyra Schultz	Forest Dale Elementary School	Allison Hart	<i>Gabriels' Horses</i>
Andrew Solove-Gordon	Howe Military Lower School	Kate DiCamillo	<i>The Tale of Despereaux</i>
Jalen Dochee	Indian Creek School	Gary Paulsen	<i>Hatchet</i>
Anna Marcum	Indian Creek School	Betsy Byars	<i>The SOS Files</i>
Rebeka Mercker	Nancy Hanks Elementary School	Cornelia Funke	<i>Inkdeath</i>
Amanda Schafer	Prairie Trace Elementary	Lisa Greenwald	<i>My Life in Pink and Green</i>
Josephine McQuillan	Prairie Trace Elementary	Gary Paulsen	<i>Hatchet</i>
Lauren Jines	Parkside Elementary School	Jerry Spinelli	<i>Stargirl</i>
Courtney Coomer	Salem Middle School	Erin Hunter	<i>Warriors</i>
Tierney Robbins	Salem Middle School	Darren shan	<i>Cirque Du Freak</i>
Caroline Sarmiento	Salem Middle School	Gennifer Choldenko	<i>If a Tree Falls at Lunch Period</i>
Zakery Dorman	S. Ellen Jones School	Robert Coles	<i>The Story of Ruby Bridges</i>
Kenneth Lawrence	S. Ellen Jones School	Eloise Greenfield	<i>When the Horses Ride By</i>
Sophia Olsen	Saint Bavo	David Kherdian	<i>The Road from Home</i>
A. J. Sallee	Tri-West Middle School	Jean Craighead George	<i>There's a Tarantla in my Purse</i>
Tori Amigh	White Lick Elementary School	Colby Rodowsky	<i>Clay</i>
Mackenzie Vermillion	Zionsville Middle School	Gail Carson Levine	<i>Fairest</i>
James Meyer	Zionsville Middle School	Shel Silverstein	<i>The Giving Tree</i>
Lucy Bays	Zionsville Middle School	John Grogan	<i>Marly and Me</i>
Annie Kissel	Zionsville Middle School	Brittney Ryan	<i>The Legend of Holly Claus</i>
Robert J. Vukovich II	Zionsville Middle School	Michelle Paver	<i>Wolf Brother</i>
Alicia Bostwick	Zionsville Middle School	J. K. Rowling	Harry Potter series
Cassidy Sampson	Zionsville West Middle School	Sarah Weeks	<i>So B. It</i>
Courtney Lewis	Individual entry	L. M. Montgomery	<i>Anne of Green Gables</i>
Kelsea Denney	Individual entry	Meg Cabot	<i>Allie Finkle's rules for Girls: Moving</i>

LETTERS ABOUT LITERATURE SEMIFINALISTS

INDIANA: LEVEL II (GRADES 7 & 8)

Name	School	Author	Title
Hannah Zentner	Battle Ground Middle School	John Grogan	<i>Marly and Me</i>
Alli Medley	Battle Ground Middle School	Wilson Rawls	<i>Where the Red Fern Grows</i>
Sydney Gray	Battle Ground Middle School	Jay Asher	<i>Thirteen Reasons Why</i>
Elyse Romanovich	Battle Ground Middle School	Ann Brashares	<i>The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants</i>
Angelica Watts	Craig Middle School	Sharon Draper	<i>November Blues</i>
Jocelyn Shelton	Craig Middle School	Brishtii Mazumdar	<i>Last Night I Slept on the Meadows</i>
Alyssa Jent	Craig Middle School	David Pelzer	<i>A Child Called 'It'</i>
Jasmine Lomax	Craig Middle School	Edward Bloor	<i>Crusader</i>
Carly Bassett	DeKalb Middle School	Bethany Hamilton	<i>Soul Surfer</i>
Jessica Dye	DeKalb Middle School	L. M. Montgomery	<i>Anen of Avonlea</i>
Ashlyn Teders	DeKalb Middle School	Willo Davis Roberts	<i>Sugar Isn't Everything</i>
Annie Ebert	DeKalb Middle School	Mike Krzyzewski	<i>Beyond Basketball</i>
Christa Voirol	DeKalb Middle School	Kate DiCamillo	<i>The Tiger Rising</i>
Ashley Humbarger	DeKalb Middle School	Katherine Hannigan	<i>Ida B.</i>
Rebecca Lepant	DeKalb Middle School	Kathryn Lasky	<i>The Capture</i>
Samantha Davis	DeKalb Middle School	Karen Hesse	<i>Out of the Dust</i>
Celsei Westrick	DeKalb Middle School	Don Piper	<i>Ninety Minutes in Heaven</i>
Kristin Russell	DeKalb Middle School	Randy Pausch	<i>The Last Lecture</i>
Coleton McMurtry	Evansville Day school	Tony Abbott	<i>Hautning of Derek Stone</i>
Jaacob Alcock	Evansville Day school	Lois Lowry	<i>The Giver</i>
Eyob Moges	Evansville Day school	Martin Luther King Jr.	"I Have a Dream"
Mrinalini Sugosh	Evansville Day school	Anne Frank	<i>The Diary of a Young girl</i>
Paige Kingston	Evansville Day school	Matthew Skelton	<i>Endymion Spring</i>
Rachel Meyers	Hasten Hebrew Academy	Jodi Picoult	<i>My Sister's Keeper</i>
Sigal Tavel	Hasten Hebrew Academy	Markus Zusak	<i>The Book Thief</i>
Avery Charron	Jasper Middle School	Bethany Hamilton	<i>Soul Surfer</i>
Brandon Mendel	Jasper Middle School	Sharon Draper	<i>Battle of Jericho</i>
Emily Jones	Jasper Middle School	Jodi Picoult	<i>The Pact</i>
Sarah Jasper	Jasper Middle School	Jodi Picoult	<i>Nineteen Minutes</i>
Randi Flick	Jasper Middle School	Amelia Atwater-Rhodes	<i>Hawksong/Snakecharm</i>
Madi Kemker	Jasper Middle School	Randy Pausch	<i>The Last Lecture</i>
McKala Troxler	Jasper Middle School	Brent Runyon	<i>The Burn Journals</i>
Mia Moore	Jasper Middle School	Julia Hoban	<i>Willow</i>
Kristen Taylor	Jasper Middle School	Lurlene McDaniel	<i>Six Months to Live</i>
Bradley Gehlhausen	Jasper Middle School	Rovbert Munsch	<i>Love Your Forever</i>
Andrea Carie	Jasper Middle School	Sharon Draper	<i>Cooper Sun</i>
Mackenzie Mendel	Jasper Middle School	Sarah Dessen	<i>Dreamland</i>
Jacob Schneider	Klondike Middle School	Christopher Paolini	<i>The Inheritance Cycle</i>
Ashley Blankenbaker	Salem Middle School	Julie Deaver	<i>Say Goodnight Gracie</i>
Rachel Hopkins	Salem Middle School	Sarah Dessen	<i>Dreamland</i>
Sydney Calhoun	Salem Middle School	Mitch Albom	<i>The Five People You Meet in Heaven</i>
Kelsey Price	Salem Middle School	Laurie Halse Anderson	<i>Speak</i>
Treasure Hurst	Salem Middle School	Katherine Hannigan	<i>Ida B.</i>

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INDIANA: LEVEL II (CONT.)

Name	School	Author	Title
Liz Geralde	Salem Middle School	Scott Westerfeld	<i>Uglies</i>
Destiny Alexander	Salem Middle School	David Pelzer	<i>A Child Called 'It'</i>
Kiersten Reed	St. Bavo	Sue Monk Kidd	<i>The Secret Life of Bees</i>
Haley Wood	St. Bavo	Fred Gipson	<i>Old Yeller</i>
Maria Tordi	St. Bavo	Katherine Patterson	<i>Bridge to Terabithia</i>
Bridget McConville	St. Bavo	Lois Lowry	<i>Number the Stars</i>
Shelby Jackson	St. Bavo	Lois Lowry	<i>Number the Stars</i>
maria Simmons	R. J. Baskett Middle School	James Patterson	<i>Maximum Ride</i>
Cordell Bennett	R. J. Baskett Middle School	Eoin Colfer	<i>Airman</i>
Miranda Messler	R. J. Baskett Middle School	Eve Bunting	<i>Karen Kepple White Is the World's Best Kisser</i>
Sarah Sanchez	West Noble Middle School	Karen Kingsburgy	Red Glove series
Josie Gibbons	West Noble Middle School	Scott Westerfeld	<i>Uglies</i>
Alexis Pena	West Noble Middle School	Irene Gut Opdyke	<i>In My Hands</i>
Brett Coverstone	West Noble Middle School	L. J. Smith	<i>Dark Visions</i>
Rebecca L. Martin	West Noble Middle School	David Pelzer	<i>A Child Called 'It'</i>
Emily Hamman	West Noble Middle School	Amy Tan	<i>Rules of the Game</i>
Kendra Martin	West Noble Middle School	Nicholas Sparks	<i>The Last Song</i>
Michelle Thrasher	West Noble Middle School	P. C. and Kristen Cast	House of Night series
Contessa Hartman	West Noble Middle School	Sarah Dessen	<i>Dreamland</i>
Kim Diaz	West Noble Middle School	Margaret Peterson Haddix	<i>Because of Anya</i>
Abel Zamarripa	West Noble Middle School	Sharon Draper	<i>Tears of a Tiger</i>
Alan Lee	West Noble Middle School	Lois Lowry	<i>Number the Stars</i>
Victor Reyes	West Noble Middle School	Tom White	<i>Voice of the Martyrs</i>
Christina Barnes	Zionsville West Middle School	Gaston Leroux	<i>The Phantom of the Opera</i>
Mike Kaasnick	Zionsville West Middle School	Louis Sachar	<i>Small Steps</i>
Sara Bardool	Zionsville West Middle School	Lisi Harrison	<i>The Clique</i>

LETTERS ABOUT LITERATURE SEMIFINALISTS

INDIANA: LEVEL III (GRADES 9-12)

Name	School	Author	Title
Shelby Orange	Clinton Prairie Jr/Sr HS	Alcie Sebold	<i>The Lovely Bones</i>
Kayleigh Daniels	Huntington North High School	David Pelzer	<i>A Child Called 'It'</i>
Jessica Leeper	Huntington North High School	Dorothy L. Sayers	<i>Are Women Human?</i>
Natalie Collinsgru	Jasper High School	laura Bowers	<i>Beauty Shop for Rent</i>
Juan Ramos	Jasper High School	Laura Resau	<i>Red Glass</i>
Kyle Meckley	Jasper High School	A. M. Jenkins	<i>Repossessed</i>
Aubree Block	Jasper High School	Cecil Castellucci and Jim Rugg	<i>The Plain Janes</i>
Madysan Bell	Jasper High School	Chris Crutcher	<i>Deadline</i>
Laura Beckman	Jasper High School	Cecil Castellucci and Jim Rugg	<i>The Plain Janes</i>
Cheri Beckman	Jasper High School	Ssuan Vaught	<i>The Fat Manifesto</i>
Lindsey Barth	Jasper High School	Gabrielle Zevin	<i>Memoirs of a Teenage Amnesiac</i>
Mackenzie Ahrens	Jasper High School	Barabara Shuup	<i>Everything You Want</i>
Carolina Aguilera	Jasper High School	Perry Moore	<i>Hero</i>
Andy Smith	Jasper High School	A. M. Jenkins	<i>Repossessed</i>
Ross Schwenk	Jasper High School	Robert Lipsyte	<i>Yellow Flag</i>
Chase Braun	Jasper High School	Perry Moore	<i>Hero</i>
Lexi Musselman	Logansport High School	Brent Runyon	<i>The Burn Journals</i>
Laura Cahalan	Logansport High School	Sarah Dessen	<i>The Truth About Forever</i>
America Perez Casimiro	Logansport High School	Susan May Warren	<i>Wiser Than Serpents</i>
Jae Biehl	Logansport High School	John Hamamura	<i>Color of the Sea</i>
Hunter Curl	Logansport High School	Kathleen Tessaro	<i>Innocence</i>
Corlee Osborn	Logansport High School	Stephanie Meyer	<i>The Host</i>
Jose Tavares	Logansport High School	Stephen King	<i>The Running Man</i>
Emily Hampton	Plainfield High School	Anna Dewdney	<i>Llame Llama Red Pajama</i>
Derek Dixon	Plainfield High School	Roald Dahl	<i>Charlie and the Chococlade Factory</i>
Da Zheng	Plainfield High School	Harper Lee	<i>To Kill a Mocking Bird</i>
Rahaf Safi	Plainfield High School	Elizabeth Gilbert	<i>Eat Pray Love</i>
Phillip Bente	Switzerland County High School	James Norman hall	<i>Mutiny on the Bounty</i>