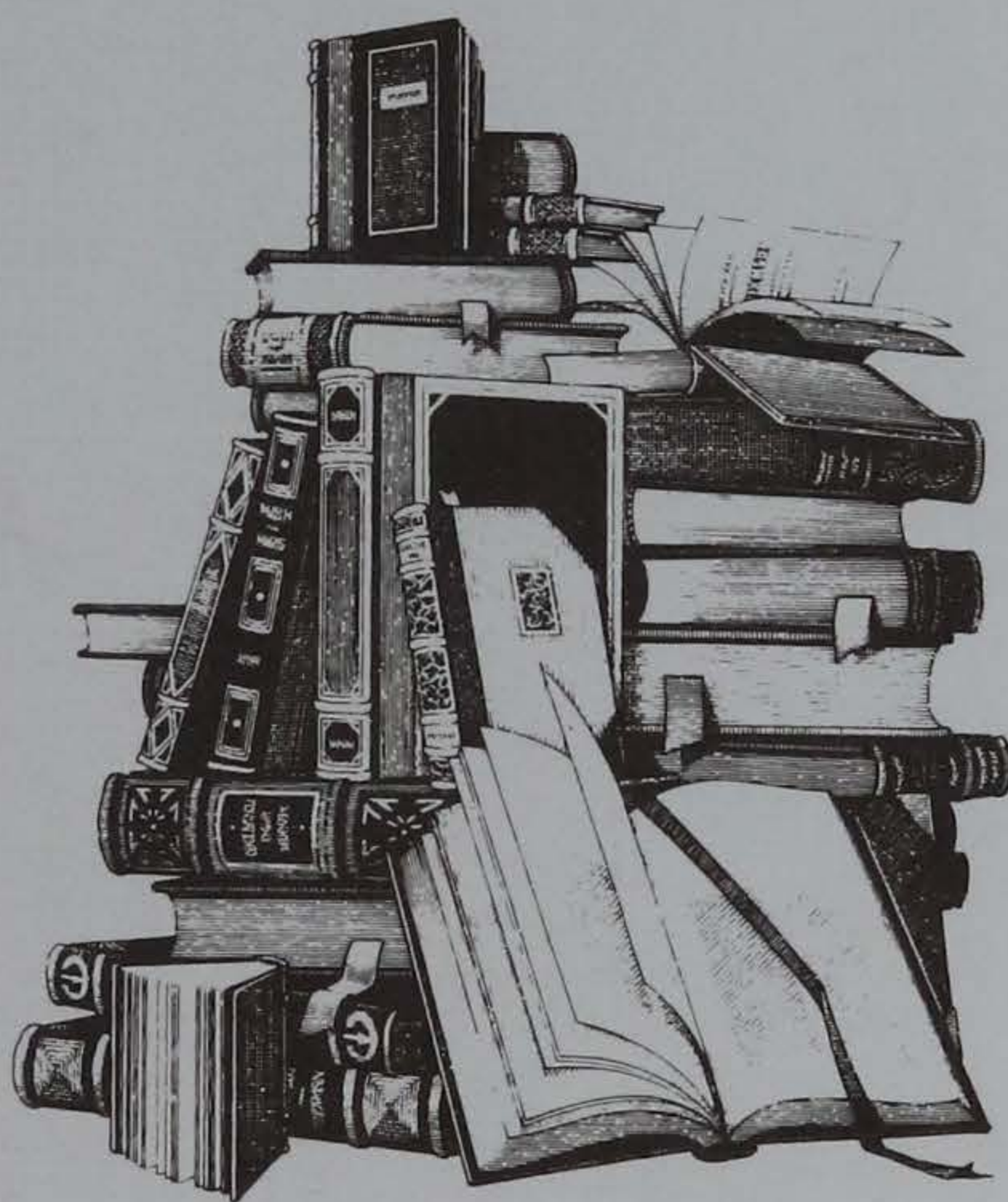


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## INTRODUCTION

Over the past several years we have become increasingly convinced that there is need for a list of titles to answer requests and to stimulate teachers and students to read more widely and to choose quality literature in a period when mediocrity in literature is rampant. In only the past three years over 8800 juvenile titles have been published, but few will survive "the test of time". We have therefore, attempted to provide a list representative of the universal themes in literature, and designed to expose young readers to a wide variety of the genre found in drama, poetry, nonfiction and fiction. No attempt has been made to enumerate all the good literature available in the classics, modern classics and potential classics. We hoped rather to offer a bibliography of titles which are examples of the literature of today and yesterday which are worthwhile reading. We have tried to make our list long enough to provide many choices. There was no thought on our part that any student should expect or be expected to read all of these titles. We hope, however, that our list will assist teachers and students in improving the breadth and quality of reading in Iowa's upper elementary grades.

This title is one of a series. Bibliographies for senior high school and for junior high/middle school were published in 1984. The compilers of this upper elementary school (3-6) bibliography are in the process of developing a lower elementary school bibliography which we hope to release later this year.

We invite your reactions and suggestions for the next edition of this publication.

DRAMA

Chute, Marchette  
Gaylord

6+

**STORIES FROM SHAKESPEARE**

All 36 of the plays from the "First Folio" are presented in clear, descriptive prose.

Davis, Ossie

5+

**ESCAPE TO FREEDOM; A PLAY ABOUT YOUNG  
FREDERICK DOUGLASS**

The life of Frederick Douglass from his childhood in a slave cabin to his escape to New York are depicted in this informal but challenging play, considered as one of the best in recent years.

Henderson, Nancy

5+

**CELEBRATE AMERICA: A BAKER'S DOZEN OF  
PLAYS**

The author presents eleven plays on such topics as Martin Luther King, energy, a Christmas scene from Little Women and "Casey at the Bat" using pantomime, parody, and flashback.

Korty, Carol

4+

**PLAYS FROM AFRICAN FOLKTALES**

Four African folktales are retold as dramas in crisp humorous dialogue. Easy, flexible stage directions make the plays easy to produce.

3+

**SILLY SOUP**

"These ten zany plays, with songs and ideas for making them your own" are based noodlehead folktales about simpletons doing such things as taking the walls of a house down to let in the sunshine.

Rockwell, Thomas

4+

**HOW TO EAT FRIED WORMS AND OTHER PLAYS**

Rockwell presents four plays each as zany as the drama based on his award winning book How to Eat Fried Worms.

POETRY AND HUMOR

- Adoff, Arnold 4+ **ALL THE COLORS OF THE RACE**  
These poems reflect the view of a child half Jew, half protestant, half black, half white.
- Aiken, Joan 5+ **THE SKIN SPINNERS**  
Joan Aiken's poetry is multifaceted, eerie, dreamlike and whimsical. She has the ability to use the precise word to illuminate the idea.
- Atwood, Ann 5+ **HAIKU: THE MOOD OF EARTH**  
The reader will experience poetry that has a direct contact with nature through the written word, art and photography.
- Brooks, Gwendolyn 3+ **BRONZEVILLE BOYS AND GIRLS**  
This collection of poems is about everyday experiences of children and the exciting world about them.
- Bryan, Ashley (ed.) 6+ **I GREET THE DAWN**  
Bryan offers a collection of Dunbar's poetry that addresses love, death and the mysteries of life.
- Carmer, Carl 3+ **THE BOY DRUMMER OF VINCENNES**  
Based on a true incident, this epic poem relates the march of George Rogers Clarke and his volunteers on a British Fort in Illinois during the Revolutionary War through the eyes of a drummer boy.
- Ciardi, John 3+ **THE MAN WHO SANG THE SILLIES**  
These nonsense poems play with words and sounds.
- Cole, William, Comp 4+ **POEM STEW**  
Cole has collected comic poems about food such as "Through the teeth, and Past the gums, Look out stomach, Here it Comes."

- Dickinson, Emily 5+ **POEMS FOR YOUTH**  
This collection of poems by Dickinson was originally written for her young niece and nephews and serve as an excellent introduction to the poet.
- 3+ **I'M NOBODY! WHO ARE YOU?**  
This set of Dickinson's poems illustrates life in nineteenth century New England.
- Frost, Robert 5+ **YOU COME TOO: FAVORITE POEMS FOR YOUNG READERS**  
Poems from this collection introduce the reader to the simplicity, wisdom, humanity and craftsmanship of Frost.
- Hopkins, Lee Bennett 3+ **ON OUR WAY, POEMS OF PRIDE AND LOVE**  
This anthology of poetry speaks precisely about the joy and challenge of being young and Black in America.
- Hughes, Langston 5+ **DON'T YOU TURN BACK**  
(Lee Bennett Hopkins)  
One of America's great Black writers, these selections by Hughes acquaint the reader with the major themes of "My People, I am a Negro, Prayers and Dreams, and Out to Sea."
- Hughes, Langston 5+ **THE DREAM KEEPER AND OTHER POEMS**  
(Lee Bennett Hopkins)  
The poems contained in this volume are the poet's selection on several typical Negro blues, songs and lyrics.
- Kennedy, X. J. 3+ **THE PHANTOM ICE CREAM MAN: MORE NONSENSE VERSE.**  
The blending of contemporary references with traditional verse forms produce an original volume of nonsense yet humorous writings by the poet. The light-hearted co-exists with the more serious.
- Larrick, Nancy (ed.) 5+ **ON CITY STREETS: AN ANTHOLOGY OF POETRY**  
Children who read these poems will know what life is like on city streets in large metropolitan areas.

Livingston, Myra Cohn 3+

**O SLIVER OF LIVER**

The author writes about T-shirts, seasons, liver, lunch, and a variety of other things in this collection of poems ranging from funny to sad.

5+

**THE MALIBU AND OTHER POEMS**

The bulk of the poems in this collection are about observations of every day life, nature, pollution, peace, people, animals and books.

4+

**CALLOOH, CALLAY**

Livingston offers poems for all seasons in chronological order, ranging from traditional to Shel Silverstein.

Longfellow, Henry 4+  
Wadsworth

**SONG OF HIAWATHA**

The hero of this epic poem, styled after the KALEVALA, is an American Indian. Longfellow's poem is considered the first epic in American poetry.

5+

**THE CHILDREN'S OWN LONGFELLOW**

These classics by Longfellow will please the serious readers.

McCord, David 4+

**ONE AT A TIME**

This useful collection of poems for teachers and school resource personnel covers a wide number of subject areas.

McGinley, Phyllis 5+

**A WREATH OF CHRISTMAS LEGENDS**

These persons are based on medieval legends of the first Christmas.

Merriam, Eve 4+

**WORD OR TWO WITH YOU**

These poems laugh at words and the world.

4+

**IT DOESN'T ALWAYS HAVE TO RHYME**

Humorous poems written on a variety of subjects.



- Merriam, Eve 4+ RAINBOW WRITING  
This is a collection of poems about the human experience, especially ordinary moments and simple thoughts. "Twogether" and "Egotripping" are two poem titles that give an idea about what aspects of people's lives are explored by the works in this volume.
- Millay, Edna 4+ EDNA ST. VINCENT POEMS SELECTED FOR  
St. Vincent YOUNG PEOPLE  
This superb selection of Millay's poems captivates the reader with short, simple rhymes about flowers, trees, etc. and offers longer, symbolic pieces for the more seasonal audience.
- Miyumura, Kayue 3+ FLOWER, MOON, SNOW  
Thirty brief poems about nature are in the Japanese haiku style.
- Moore, Lilian 4+ GO WITH THE POEM  
Good poetry by contemporary Americans are included in this book. The selections are grouped by subject.
- Morrison, Lillian 5+ THE SIDEWALK RACER, AND OTHER POEMS OF  
SPORTS AND MOTION  
Poems in this collection are written from the perspective of the participant or of the spectator in the sport or motion. Most poems capture the high moment with crisp, sharp, brief impressions.
- Nash, Ogden 3+ CUSTARD AND COMPANY  
Nash has picked 84 of his own favorite poems which reflect his freewheeling style.
- 3+ THE CRUISE OF THE AARDVARK  
An aardvark decides to go on a cruise when rainy weather comes. The events of this remarkable voyage will please the experience as well as the inexperienced reader.

Picard, Barbara Leonie 6+

**THE ILIAD OF HOMER**

Picard presents a readable exciting prose retelling of the ninth year of the Trojan war including Achilles' quarrel with Agamemnon and his avenging of the death of Patroclus.

6+

**THE ODYSSEY OF HOMER**

Picard presents the adventure of Odysseus on his way home from the Trojan War in this interesting paraphrase. The one-eyed Cyclops, against a creature with six heads and an enchantress interrupt Odysseus' journey.

Sandburg, Carl

5+

**THE SANDBURG TREASURY: PROSE AND POETRY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE**

This volume brings together all of Sandburg's books for young people.

4+

**WIND SONG**

This is a collection of over 80 poems chosen by the poet to illustrate the themes of little people, night, wind, sea and sky.

6+

**RAINBOWS ARE MADE**

Lee Bennett Hopkins has picked 70 Sandburg poems dealing with people, word play, the world, nature and the night.

Silverstein, Shel

3+

**LIGHT IN THE ATTIC**

Shel Silverstein writes of young people's hidden feelings with whimsy and sympathy.

3+

**WHERE THE SIDEWALK ENDS**

Sputely rhythm, humor and a little truth make these poems fun to read, recite or act out.

Thurman, Judith

3+

**FLASHLIGHT AND OTHER POEMS**

Children will appreciate the freshness of these poems on such common things as soap, closets, rags, and kisses.

Whitman, Walt

5+

OVERHEAD THE SUN

These selected Whitman poems will challenge and entertain the reader.

Worth, Valerie

3+

MORE SMALL POEMS

The poet celebrates a pumpkin, a toad, a safety pin, a kitten, weeds, earthworms and sidewalks in these expressive poems. Another volume by the same author is entitled Small Poems.

NONFICTION AND LEGEND

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|-------------------------------|----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Aardema, Verna                | 4+ | <b>TALES FROM THE STORY HAT</b><br><br>Clever animals who outwit their foes are the central focus of these African tales.                                                                                                        |
| Adams, Samuel Hopkins         | 4+ | <b>THE PONY EXPRESS</b><br><br>For less than two years, Pony Express riders faced attack by weather, and men, to carry the U.S. mail from Missouri to California.                                                                |
| Adler, David A.               | 3+ | <b>OUR GOLDA: THE STORY OF GOLDA MEIR</b><br><br>How this Russian-born, American raised girl becomes the Prime Minister of Israel is an incredible story. She succeeds despite great political chaos and poor health conditions. |
| Adoff, Arnold                 | 3+ | <b>MALCOLM X</b><br><br><u>Malcolm X</u> changed from a convict, angry at the world to a leader among the black people who was known through all the world before his untimely death.                                            |
| Adkins, Jan                   | 4+ | <b>ART AND INDUSTRY OF SANDCASTLES</b><br><br>Castles in the sand and castles in the Middle Ages are cleverly woven together in this book useful for shore and inland dwellers.                                                  |
| Alderman, Clifford<br>Lindsey | 5+ | <b>ANNIE OAKLEY AND THE WORLD OF HER TIME</b><br><br>Annie Oakley was a sharpshooter in Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show, an actor and a teacher.                                                                                   |
| Allison, Linda                | 5+ | <b>WILD INSIDE</b><br><br>These scientific investigations which can be done inside or around the house make experimenting fun.                                                                                                   |
| Antonacci, Robert J.          | 5+ | <b>BASKETBALL FOR YOUNG CHAMPIONS</b><br><br>The author presents instruction in how to guard, dribble, shoot, pass and catch the basketball that will help improve a player's skills.                                            |

- Arkhurst, Joyce Cooper 3+ **THE ADVENTURES OF SPIDER**  
Spider, popular and cunning trickster of West African folktales, is the hero of six funny how and why stories.
- Arnold, Ned 5+ **THE GREAT SCIENCE MAGIC SHOW**  
Although magic is fascinating, these science magic tricks are entertaining to the performer and audience.
- Asbjornsen, Peter 3+ **EAST OF THE SUN AND WEST OF THE MOON**  
Christen  
Old tales from the Northland create some interesting situations and excitement.
- Asimov, Isaac 3+ **ANIMALS OF THE BIBLE**  
Asimov identifies over forty animals mentioned in the old and new testaments and gives animal habitats and uses in Biblical times. He provides his best guess on animals such as the behemoth and the leviathan.
- Aulaire, Ingri d' 3+ **ABRAHAM LINCOLN**  
This brief biography primarily covers the pioneer phases of Lincoln's life. It ends before he starts for the Ford Theatre.
- Aulaire, Ingri and 4+ **LIVING WITH A PARENT WHO DRINKS TOO MUCH**  
Edgar d'  
The author of this book tries to help readers understand that alcoholism is an illness and that alcoholics can't restrain their behavior.
- 3+ **INGRI AND EDGAR d' AULAIRE BOOK OF GREEK MYTHS**  
These are brief and uncluttered stories with more appeal than traditional retellings in capturing the grandeur and strength of the Greek myths.
- 4+ **NORSE GODS AND GIANTS**  
Raging giants, monsters, and gods who are all too human are depicted in this collection of Norse myths.

- Averill, Esther 3+ DANIEL BOONE  
The life of this famous pioneer is related in this volume. His capture and escape from the Cherokee Indians is one of the many adventures in this book.
- Aylesworth, Thomas 4+ MOVIE MONSTER  
This book gives the background in the creation of movieland's great monsters. Included in the narrative is information on King Kong and the Wolf Man.
- Balch, Glenn 4+ THE BOOK OF HORSES  
Morgans, Arabians, Thoroughbreds and Tennessee Walkers are treated in this book on the history and care of horses.
- Barrett, Marvin 3+ MEET THOMAS JEFFERSON  
This book describes the man, who was the third President of the U.S. as a friend to the Indian and British governors. He wrote the Declaration of Independence and doubled the size of the United States with the purchase of the Louisiana Territory.
- Barth, Edna 5+ I'M NOBODY, WHO ARE YOU?  
This is an engrossing account of the life of Emily Dickinson who was a genius in the craft of poetry but a withdrawn and solitary human being.
- 5+ HOLLY, REINDEER, AND COLORED LIGHTS  
The yule log, the manger, Santa Claus, and of course, "holly, reindeer and colored lights" grace this book about holiday symbols.
- 5+ TURKEYS, PILGRIMS AND INDIAN CORN  
The Pilgrims' Thanksgiving Feast, its origins and the harvest feasts from all over the world are featured in this book about Thanksgiving symbols.
- Baylor, Byrd 5+ THEY PUT ON MASKS  
North American Indian Masks from Apache to Quni are explained and illustrated.

- Benson, Sally 5+ **STORIES OF THE GOALS AND HEROES**  
Benson retells Bullfinch's Age of Fable in a less complex version of the Greek Myths.
- Bergen, Terry 4+ **BLACK FAIRY TALES**  
Folk and fairy tales from the Swazi, Msuto and other Black peoples of South Africa are filled with enchanted beasts and giants. These stories tell about the customs and daily life of South Africa.
- Bitter, Gary G. 4+ **EXPLORING WITH METRICS**  
Do it yourself equipment and games and even a sugar cookie recipe, help readers make sense out of a metric world.
- Blassingame, Wyatt 4+ **STORY OF THE BOY SCOUTS**  
The author traces the beginning of Scouting in several nations, showing how various similar groups merged into the present-day Boy Scout organization.
- Bontemps, Arna 4+ **FREDERICK DOUGLAS: SLAVE-FIGHTER-FREEMAN**  
Frederick Douglas was born a slave. He worked hard and won his freedom. He dedicated his life to the ideal of freedom for all people.
- Born, Frany 5+ **JULES VERNE; THE MAN WHO INVENTED THE FUTURE**  
This book reviews the plots and exciting events of Verne's outstanding novels. A chapter is devoted to Verne's childhood background and early struggles to become an accepted writer.
- Boulet de Monvel, Maurice 3-6 **JOAN OF ARC**  
Joan of Arc was a peasant girl who turned soldier to bring King Charles VII to the throne of France.
- Boydston, Helen Dore 4+ **CLARA BARTON**  
Clara Barton was a pioneer in nursing education as well as the founder of the American Red Cross.

- Bradley, Buff 5+ **ENDINGS**  
The author explains how individuals face their own death or that of loved ones. He discusses immortality, life after death, murder, war, capital punishment, suicide, euthanasia, and abortion. He also describes funeral customs.
- Brondfield, Jerry 4+ **ROBERTO CLEMENTE, PRIDE OF THE PIRATES**  
Roberto Clemente was a baseball star but also had a special concern for other human beings which led to his death on a mercy mission.
- Brown, Marion Marsh 5+ **THE SILENT STORM**  
This biography of Anne Sullivan, teacher of Helen Keller reveals that she had a grim childhood but found success at the Keller household and Radcliffe.
- Bullfinch, Thomas 5+ **A BOOK OF MYTHS**  
Thirty of the stories from the Age of Fable are illustrated by Helen Sewell.
- Burchard, S. H. 3+ **SPORTS STAR: SUGAR RAY LEONARD**  
Sugar Ray, a quiet kid who liked to read comic books, becomes interested in boxing through his brother. His dream becomes a reality when he won an Olympic gold medal for boxing in 1976.
- Carpenter, Frances 4+ **TALES OF A CHINESE GRANDMOTHER**  
The stories found in this collection reveal Chinese customs, beliefs and home life.
- Charlip, Remy 3+ **HANDTALK**  
Finger spelling and signs for whole words or ideas are carefully explained and illustrated.
- Cobb, Vicki 3+ **TRUTH OR TRIAL: THE STORY OF GALILEO GALILEI**  
Cobb focuses on Galileo's ideas rather than his personal life. She presents Galileo persecution by the church and the hardships he endured.



Cohen, Daniel

4+

**REAL GHOSTS**

Cohen has collected stories of British hamstrings, including follow up investigations and reasons for doubting the witnesses. Black and white photographs of the ghosts will attract readers.

Colum, Padriac

5+

**THE GOLDEN FLEECE AND THE HEROES WHO LIVED BEFORE ACHILLES**

Colum brings many of Greece's legends into this dramatic retelling of Jason's search for the Golden Fleece.

Commager, Henry Steele 5+

**THE GREAT CONSTITUTION: A BOOK FOR YOUNG AMERICANS**

Although the text of the constitution is not included in this book, the author tries to make the events and individuals of the Constitution Convention real and exciting.

Commager, Henry Steele 5+  
and Lynd Ward

**AMERICA'S ROBERT E. LEE**

Robert E. Lee, was a leader and general in the Confederate Army who was honored by both sides of the conflict.

Cone, Molly

3+

**LEONARD BERNSTEIN**

Former conductor of New York Philharmonic for many years, Leonard Bernstein began his ascent to music fame when his Aunt Clara gave him a piano when he was ten years old.

Coolidge, Olivia

5+

**GANDHI**

This is one of the more astute and objective biographies of Gandhi that have been published for young people. It pictures his strengths and weaknesses equally. It gives a true portrayal of the concept of "peaceful resistance."

Coombs, Charles

5+

**BE A WINNER IN SOCCER**

Coombs explains soccer basics, rules of the game, techniques, positions and special abilities needed for offensive and defensive strategies.

- Cornell, Jean G. 4+ **LOUIS ARMSTRONG**  
The life of world-famous Jazz trumpeter and ambassador of good will, Louis Armstrong is presented in this text.
- Counlander, Harold 4+ **THE KING'S DRUM**  
A collection of African folk tales illustrating the foibles of the human race.
- Cousins, Margaret 4+ **STORY OF THOMAS ALVA EDISON**  
Cousins presents a lively picture of the volatile inventor to whom we owe electric lights, phonographs, radio and motion pictures.
- Cross, Helen Reeder 4+ **THE REAL TOM THUMB**  
Charles Sherwood Stratton was a midget who became famous as the "Tom Thumb" of P. T. Barnum's circus.
- Davis, Burke 5+ **HEROES OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**  
Eleven famous Americans are presented for their contribution to the success of the War of Independence.
- DeFranco, Anthony 4+ **POPE JOHN PAUL II: BRING LOVE TO A TROUBLED WORLD**  
Karol Wajtyla was born and raised in Poland. He enjoyed sports and acting as a young man. His involvement in the Resistance during World War II will surprise you. His election to the papacy is a direct result of his upbringing and strong beliefs.
- DeJong, Meindert 6+ **THE MIGHTY ONES**  
(Great Men and Women of Early Bible Days)  
DeJong retells the stories of Sara, Abraham, Isaac, Noah, David and other famous men and women of the Bible whose faith was the evidence of things not seen.
- DeKay, Ormonde 3+ **MEET ANDREW JACKSON**  
The exciting and challenging life of the seventh President of the United States, Andrew Jackson, are illustrated in this book.

- Demuth, Jack and Patricia 3+ **CITY HORSE**  
A purebred Tennessee Walker horse is donated to the New York Police Department. Even though there are a few surprises, the horse adjusts slow to his new environment.
- DePoola, Tomie 3+ **FRANCIS, THE POOR MAN OF ASSISI**  
Saint Francis of Assisi was born into the wealthy class and became a beggar for God. This book takes the reader through the transformation that Saint Francis experienced and the deeds he tried to accomplish.
- DeRoin, Nancy (ed) 3+ **TATAKA TALES**  
Animal fables attributed to the Buddha. Their morals speak of various vices and foibles.
- Emrich, Duncan 3+ **THE HODGEPODGE BOOK**  
This almanac of American folklore contains the curious, the interesting and the out-of-the-way information as well as jokes, riddles and other matter to entertain and amuse.
- Epstein, Sam and Beryl 4+ **SHE NEVER LOOKED BACK**  
Although the book focuses on Mead's life in Samoa, the authors do gather information that covers her whole span of life.
- Ernst, John 4+ **ESCAPE KING: THE STORY OF HARRY HOUDINI**  
The author demonstrates the discipline and drive that made the difference in Houdini's career. Ernst gives an accurate picture of Houdini the man and Houdini the artist.
- Faber, Davis 5+ **BELLA ABZUG**  
One of America's most colorful politician is presented in this biography.
- Fall, Thomas 3+ **JIM THORPE**  
Jim Thorpe, a member of the Sac and Fox Indian Tribe became one of America's greatest all-round athlete.

- Faulkner, William J. 5+ **THE DAYS WHEN THE ANIMALS TALKED**  
Eleven plantation tales describe the injustices, suffering, and frustrations endured by the slaves.
- Feinberg, Barbara 6+ **FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, GALLANT PRESIDENT**  
Silverdide  
Franklin D. Roosevelt fought against his isolated childhood and polio to become President of the United States for the longest term of office before or since.
- Felton, Harold W. 4+ **MUNIBET: THE STORY OF ELIZABETH FREEMAN**  
This fictionalized biography of the first slave to achieve freedom through the courts portrays Elizabeth Freeman as a quiet woman. She stands on the principal "all men are created equal."
- Finger, Charles 5+ **TALES FROM SILVER LANDS**  
South American legends are the focus of these nineteen tales as told to the author in his trip through the lands of this continent.
- Fisker, Leonard 3+ **ALPHABET ART**  
Everett  
Thirteen alphabets from Arabic to Eskimo are depicted and their history outlined.
- Franchere, Ruth 3+ **CESAR CHAVEZ**  
Cesar Chavez has experienced first hand the miserable conditions under which the migrant worker lives and works. Cesar tries to better these conditions by unionizing the grape pickers.
- Frank, Anne 6+ **THE DIARY OF A YOUNG CHILD**  
Anne and her family, hidden from the German occupation-troops in Amsterdam during World War II face boredom, hunger and death with amazing strength.
- Fritz, Jean 3+ **AND THEN WHAT HAPPENED, PAUL REVERE?**  
Paul Revere did more than ride around New England at midnight. He was a silver smith, a "dental technician," a maker of bells, a hardware store proprietor and the builder of a foundry.

Fritz, Jean

4+

**HOMESICK, MY OWN STORY**

This autobiography of the author's early years in China is told in a convincing fashion and a highly readable style.

4+

**STONEWALL**

Thomas Jonathon Jackson, a confederate general during the Civil War as a self righteous fanatic, cruel in competition, courageous in battle and brilliant in military strategy.

3+

**WILL YOU SIGN HERE, JOHN HANCOCK?**

John Hancock becomes more than a signature of the Declaration of Independence in this book on his boyhood, his time as governor of Massachusetts and his contributions to a young nation.

3+

**WHERE WAS PATRICK HENRY ON THE 29TH OF MAY?**

Fritz presents a human and colorful picture of a dedicated politician and patriot of the Revolutionary War period.

3+

**WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA, BEN FRANKLIN?**

This is a lighthearted biography of one of the American colonies' great political and scientific leaders.

3+

**WHY DON'T YOU GET A HORSE, SAM ADAMS?**

The famous American patriot Sam Adams is reluctant to buy a horse to spread the news around Boston about the unfairness of the King.

4+

**WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING, CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS?**

Jean Fritz provides a carefully constructed, breezy and detailed picture of Columbus as an optimistic, naive, able sailor convinced of God's intervention in his life.

Fronval, George

4+

**INDIAN SIGNS AND SIGNALS**

This book illustrates American Indian sign language including smoke signals, language of blankets and feathers, trail signs and body paint.

- Gates, Doris 4+ **WARRIOR GODDESS**  
Pegasus, the horse, Medusa, the woman with snakes for hair, and Arachne, the woman who was changed into a spider all figure in this story of Athens, the Greek Warrior Goddess.
- 4+ **FAIR WIND FOR TROY**  
The goddess Artenis releases a wind to blow the fleet to Troy because of the sacrifice of Iphigenia, daughter of Agamemnon in Gates' account of the fall of Troy.
- 4+ **MIGHTIEST OF MORTALS: HERACLES**  
Gates relates the twelve labors Heracles (Hercules), the half god, half-human son of zeus, must perform and become immortal.
- Gordsell, Jane 3+ **ELEANOR ROOSEVELT**  
Eleanor Roosevelt was a gracious woman who helped her husband when he was crippled with polio and spent much of her life aiding the underprivileged of the world.
- Graham, Shirley 5+ **BOOKER T. WASHINGTON**  
A sympathetic account of a slave who overcame fantastic odds to establish a school of higher education for his people Tuskegee Institute will be forever indelible to handwork of this great American.
- Greenfield, Eloise 5+ **CHILD TIMES: A THREE GENERATION MEMOIR**  
Three black women reflect on their childhoods beginning in the 1800's.
- Grey, Vivian **THE CHEMIST WHO LOST HIS HEAD**  
The author describes the life of Antoine Laurent Lavoisier both as the "father of chemistry" and as a tax collector for the King during the French Revolution.
- Grierson, John 6+ **I REMEMBER LINDBERGH**  
This is a sympathetic account of Charles Lindbergh extolling his flying career and heroism.

- Gutman, Bill 6+ **DUKE: THE MUSICAL LIFE OF DUKE ELLINGTON**  
Gutman depicts the career of the Duke as a composer and performer in the world of jazz.
- Harris, Jacqueline L. 6+ **MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.**  
Martin Luther King, Jr. was a minister who died violently while leading the nonviolent black civil rights movement.
- Haskins, James 6+ **FIGHTING SHIRLEY CHISHOLM**  
Shirley Chisholm, the first black woman in Congress, fought for her principles but remained a warm and approachable human being.
- Henry, Marguerite 4+ **PICTORIAL LIFE STORY OF MISTY**  
Henry up tells the real story of the life of Misty, the horse made famous in her fiction book of the same title.
- Hofsinde, Robert 3+ **INDIAN SIGN LANGUAGE**  
Hofsinde shows how to form about 500 words in American Indian sign language.
- Horizon Magazine 5+ **MARCO POLO'S ADVENTURES IN CHINA**  
The reader can almost join Marco Polo on his 5000 mile trip from Venice to China long before Columbus set sail.
- Hunt, Kari and Bernice Wells Carson 6+ **MASKS AND MASK MAKERS**  
Hunt shares the whys and hows of Halloween Masks.
- Iverson, Genie 3+ **JACQUES COUSTEAU**  
Jacques-Yves Cousteau, marine biologist and inventor explores the seas in his research ship, the Calypso.
- Jackson, Jesse 5+ **MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE UNTO THE LORD**  
Mahalia Jackson, was "the queen of gospel singers" who used her voice in an attempt to break down barriers between black and white people.
- Jacobs, Joseph 4+ **THE FABLES OF AESOP**  
The author selects a variety of Aesop's fables and rewrites yet keeps the humor and dramatic power of each.

- Jacobs, W. J. 4+ HERNANDO CORTES  
This brief biographical sketch of Cortes covers the period in history when he defeats the Mexican Aztec civilization.
- James, Laurie 4+ ADVENTURE: CAMPFIRE GIRLS, INC.  
The official handbook for the Campfire Girls organization is designed for girls in grades 4, 5 and 6.
- Jobb, Jamie 4+ NIGHT SKY BOOK  
Readers will be drawn into the night by this appealing introduction of skywatching.
- Kamen, Gloria CHARLIE CHAPLIN  
The life of Charlie Chaplin, silent film clown, is presented simply and clearly.
- 3-6 FIORELLO: HIS HONOR, THE LITTLE FLOWER  
Fiorello La Guardia was a fiesty but honest politican who became one of the youngest members of the U.S. Congress and the "best mayor New York City ever had."
- Katz, William Loren 4+ THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS  
The author discusses the twenty-six amendments through historical background and the rights and privileges guaranteed by each.
- Kaufmann, John 4+ FLYING REPTILES IN THE AGE OF DINOSAURS  
Pterosaurs, flying reptiles, from a hundred million years ago, ranged from the size of a sparrow to a twenty-five foot wing-span.
- Kremenz, Jill 3-6 A VERY YOUNG RIDER  
This photo-essay follows Vivi Malloy through her tasks from cleaning the stables to competing in horse shows. Those who work with horses and those who dream about them will like this vivid picture of Vivi's world.
- Kroeber, Theodora 5+ ISHI: THE LAST OF HIS TRIBE  
The true story of a California Yahi Indian who survived the invasion by the white man.



- Kurtz, Henry Ira 4+ JOHN AND SEBASTIAN CABOT  
Often overshadowed by Sebastian Cabot, this biography of John Cabot highlights the importance and accomplishments of this British explorer.
- Lasker, David 3+ THE BOY WHO LOVED MUSIC  
When Frany Haydon composed a symphony with an unusual ending, Prince Nicolaus allowed the musicians to go home because he was pleased with the composition.
- Lasky, Kathryn 4+ SUGARING TIME  
The book demonstrates the making of "maple syrup" in photos and the written word. This Newbery Honor book captures the true "flavor" of March sugaring time in Vermont.
- Lenski, Lois 5+ INDIAN CAPTIVE: THE STORY OF MARY JEMISON  
Mary Jemison, captured by the Seneca Indians in 1758, later chose to spend the rest of her life with the tribe.
- LeShan, Eda 4+ LEARNING TO SAY GOODBYE WHEN A PARENT DIES  
The author stresses the need for children to grieve.
- LeShan, Eda 4+ WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TO ME? WHEN PARENTS SEPARATE OR DIVORCE  
The author advised children that feelings of anger, fear and loss are natural and should be expressed. She recommends seeking help and trying to be patient until new patterns are established.
- Lester, Julius 5+ TO BE A SLAVE  
The reader learns the meaning of slavery and "what it is to be another man's property."

- Libby, Bill 5+ **THE REGGIE JACKSON STORY**  
For baseball enthusiasts and Reggie Jackson fans, this book gives an account of Jackson's professional baseball career. Libby includes the controversies that surround this baseball hero.
- 5+ **JOE LOUIS, THE BROWN BOMBER**  
Joe Louis sold his violin to pay for boxing gloves and used his music lesson money for boxing tuition. While his personal life was spotted by poor investments, unfaithfulness and drug dependency he was considered the champion of champions in the boxing world.
- Lipsyte, Robert 5+ **OSCEOLA, SEMINOLE LEADER**  
Syme's presents a sympathetic story of a complex series of tragic events in the life of this Indian Chieftain. While under a flag of truce Osceola is captured and placed on a reservation.
- Macaulay, David 5+ **CATHEDRAL**  
The author-illustrator follows the construction of a French Gothic cathedral from start to finish including the stained glass windows and the bells.
- 5+ **CASTLES**  
Impressive pictures which show details and a broad view of the town and castle are accompanied by crisp and humorous narrative.
- 5+ **PYRAMID**  
The author describes in detail the painful and complicated process of building a pyramid.
- Mann, Peggy 3+ **AMELIA EARHART: FIRST LADY OF FLIGHT**  
This fictionalized biography covers Amelia's tomboy childhood, her preoccupation with airplanes, her record-breaking flight's and her ill-fated attempt to fly around the world.

- Marriott, Alice 3+ **AMERICAN INDIAN MYTHOLOGY**  
Carol K. Rachlin  
A collection of legends, myths and contemporary folklore which the authors obtained directly from Native Americans relate the stories of creation, death, etc.
- Mathis, Sharon Bell 3+ **RAY CHARLES**  
This biography of the popular black singer who overcame his blindness to achieve success in the music world.
- McDermott, Beverly 3+ **THE GOLEM**  
Brotsky  
In an attempt to save the people from a mob, the Golem is commanded to return to the earth from which he came. This Jewish legend takes place in Prague.
- McGovern, Ann 4+ **SHARK LADY: TRUE ADVENTURE OF EUGENIE CLARK**  
From a childhood fascination for fish, Eugenie Clark chose as her life work studying the shark.
- 3+ **LITTLE WHALE**  
The author follows one humpback whale from birth to maturity.
- McNeer, May 5 **AMERICA'S ABRAHAM LINCOLN**  
McNeer captures the "real" Lincoln from boyhood through his presidency.
- 5+ **AMERICA'S MARK TWAIN**  
Mark Twain's successes and failures are presented in this well written biography.
- 4+ **ARMED WITH COURAGE**  
The biographical sketches of Gandhi, Schweitzer, Nightingale, Grenfell, Adams, Carver and Father Damien are presented in this avidly written book.
- Newman, Shirlee P. 5+ **MARIAN ANDERSON: LADY FROM PHILADELPHIA**  
Newman's biography of Marian Anderson traces this great black artist and humanitarian from her high school days to her final concert at Carnegie Hall.

- Niemark, Anne E. 4+ **TOUCH OF LIGHT**  
Louis Braille, who became blind at the age of three, became obsessed with the need to make books accessible to blind people.
- Noble, Iris 4+ **CONTEMPORARY WOMEN SCIENTISTS OF AMERICA**  
Nine women scientists, who have worked successfully in the U.S. are portrayed in brief biographical sketches.
- 5+ **SUSAN BROWNELL ANTHONY**  
Women's rights and antislavery movements were the major concerns of this nineteenth century crusader.
- North, Stanley 5+ **RASCAL**  
This is a charming story of a boy and pet raccoon set in a small Wisconsin village in 1918.
- O'Connor, Richard 4+ **SITTING BULL: WAR CHIEF OF THE SIOUX**  
A thought provoking presentation of the white man's treatment of the Indians and of a great Sioux chief's concern for the welfare of his people.
- Olney, Ross R. 4+ **JANET GUTHRIE: FIRST WOMAN AT INDY**  
Janet Guthrie is a physicist who wanted to race in the Indy 500. She became one of those famed drivers through her ability to make sacrifices.
- 4+ **THE YOUNG RUNNER**  
Olney explains to the reader precisely and understandably the importance of conditioning, warmdown and pacing. His suggestions will help the beginner.
- Patterson, Lillie 4+ **SURE HANDS, STRONG HEART; THE LIFE OF DANIEL HALE WILLIAMS**  
Williams was a black surgeon who founded a hospital in Chicago, reorganized another in Washington, overcoming his early problems to become a leader in training black people in the field of medicine.

Peace, Catherine Owens 5+

**THE HELEN KELLER STORY**

Helen Keller, writer, lecturer and outstanding woman of the world, is presented very objectively in this biography.

Pinkwater, Jill 4+

**SUPERPUPPY**

Common sense and love are the keys to successful dog training according to the author of Superpuppy.

Pringle, Laurence 6+

**DINOSAURS AND PEOPLE: FOSSILS, FACTS, AND FANTASIES**

Pringle writes of the "dinosaur rush" of the late 1800's, of fossil discoveries and their discoveries and of revolutionary theories about dinosaurs.

Quackenbush, Robert 3+

**BOY WHO DREAMED OF ROCKETS**

Robert Goddard was the scientist and engineer who became the "father" of the space age.

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**ALONG CAME THE MODEL T**

Quackenbush captures Henry Ford's obsession to build a smaller, lightweight horseless carriage for the American public. He traces this desire from boyhood through to the actual accomplishment.

Rawding, F. W. 6+

**GANDHI AND THE STRUGGLE FOR INDIA'S INDEPENDENCE**

This book illustrates the forces that shaped Gandhi. It is a fair and balanced treatment of his life.

Reisbery, Ken 4+

**THE MARTIAL ARTS**

The author presents a history of the martial arts and describes the individual disciplines.

Reiss, Johanna 4+

**THE JOURNEY BACK**

From personal experience, the author tells how hard hiding had been for Jews during World War II and how much harder readjusting to a family, now strangers, was after the war.

- Reiss, Johanna 4+ **THE UPSTAIRS ROOM**  
The author recalls her experiences as a Jewish child hiding from the Germans occupying her native Holland during World War II.
- Reynolds, Quentin 5+ **CUSTER'S LAST STAND**  
Reynolds portrays Custer as a courageous, headstrong leader of the 7th calvary. The realistic portrayal of the relations between the Indians and white men are very realistic.
- 4+ **WINSTON CHURCHILL**  
The many facets of Sir Winston Churchill's career are explored in this biography.
- Ross, Pat 3+ **WHATEVER HAPPENED TO THE BAXTER PLACE**  
The Baxter family owned a large tract of land used primarily for farming. As needs arose, parts of the farm were sold for urban sprawl and industrial growth.
- Rubin, Robert 5+ **LOU GEHRIG: COURAGEOUS STORY**  
Gehrig was an inspiring Yankee baseball player and an even more inspiring human being as he faced a fatal illness.
- Rudeen, Kenneth 3+ **JACKIE ROBINSON**  
Jackie Robinson, was the son of black sharecroppers and the first black to play major league baseball in the U.S. He withstood insults and threats from team members and opponents alike before he proved himself as a great player.
- Sarnoff, Jane 3+ **CODE AND CIPHER BOOK**  
and Reynold Ruffins  
Codes and ciphers are explained and illustrated and used to answer riddles and historical questions in this appealing book.
- Sarnoff, Jane 4+ **THE CHESS BOOK**  
and Reynold Ruffins  
The author helps the beginning chess player by providing the basic rules, the set up of the board, the movement of pieces, a sample game, some easy strategies and a few problems.

- Sarnoff, Jane and Reynold Ruffins 4+ GREAT AQUARIUM BOOK  
The authors give clear directions on how to set up an aquarium.
- Sawyer, Ruth 3+ JOY TO THE WORLD  
These unusual and varied Christmas legends come from Ancient Arabia, Serbia, Ireland and Spain.
- Schlein, Miriam 3+ I, TUT: THE BOY WHO BECAME PHAROAH  
Schlein tells the story of the brief reign and the death and burial of Tulankhamen who became Pharoah of Egypt at the age of nine.
- Schraff, Anne 5+ TECUMSEH  
A biography of the Shawnee chief who united a confederacy of Indians to save their land from the advance of the white man and army.
- Schwartz, Alvin 4+ CROSS YOU FINGERS, SPIT IN YOUR HAT  
A collection of superstitions about such subjects as food and drink, witches, travel, ailments and curses are brought to life for the entertainment of the reader.
- 5+ CENTRAL CITY/SPREAD CITY; THE METROPOLITAN REGIONS WHERE MORE AND MORE OF US SPEND OUR TIME  
A realistic, yet depressing picture of the living and working conditions in most central cities and their suburban area.
- Seixas, Judith S. 4+ LIVING WITH A PARENT WHO DRINKS TOO MUCH  
The author of this book tries to help readers understand that alcoholism is an illness and that alcoholics can't restrain their behavior.
- Seuling, Barbara 3-6 LAST COW ON THE WHITE HOUSE LAWN  
A collection of presidential trivia arranged by president. The final chapter includes presidential miscellany.

- Shippen, Katherine B. 4+ **ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL INVENTS THE TELEPHONE**  
Bell is shown to be better at invention than at selling his inventions to the public.
- 4+ **ANDREW CARNEGIE AND THE AGE OF STEEL**  
This poor Scottish boy rose to be a steel magnate and one of the world's great philanthropist.
- Shuttlesworth, Dorothy 6+ **DODOS AND DINOSAURS**  
This story of dodos and dinosaurs and the great ant, all now extinct includes a model of a baby dinosaur hatching and the reconstruction of the dinosaur skeletons in the American Museum of Natural History.
- Siegal, Aranka 4+ **UPON THE HEAD OF THE GOAT: A CHILDHOOD IN HUNGARY 1939-1944**  
Aranka recalls her childhood and Holocaust of Hungarian Jews. She relates the tragic changes and the deportation to Auschwitz.
- Siegel, Beatrice 5+ **AN EYE ON THE WORLD: MARGARET BOURKE-WHITE, PHOTOGRAPHER**  
This is the story of a woman news photographer who succeeded in a field dominated by men by bringing care and caring to her craft.
- Silverstein, Alvin 4+ **CATS - ALL ABOUT THEM**  
and Virginia  
The authors cover history, breeds, behavior, care, laboratory use and wild relatives of domestic cats.
- 4+ **THE LEFT-HANDERS WORLD**  
This book describes the life of a left-handed person in a right-handed world and includes safe experiments to determine handedness.
- Simon, Seymour 5+ **TROPICAL SALTWATER AQUARIUMS**  
This is a good book for serious hobbyists, taking them from life in a coral reef to how to establish such an environment in an aquarium.



- Simon, Seymour 4+ GHOSTS  
Poltergeists, restless coffins, hauntings in the White House, and ghostly hitchhikers are among the intriguing tales of ghostly sightings.
- Snyder, Louis L. WORLD WAR II  
Snyder provides a short but dramatic history of the causes and events of World War II.
- Sobal, Harriet 3+ MY OTHER-MOTHER, MY OTHER-FATHER  
Langsam  
Andrea has two parents, two step-parents, 4 sets of grandparents, a brother, a step-sister and a step-brother in this straight forward account of the problems children face when family life is disrupted.
- Starkey, Marion L. 3+ THE TALL MAN FROM BOSTON  
This is a brief account of the Salem Witch Trials and of John Alden's narrow escape from execution as a witch.
- Stern, Phillip 5+ HENRY DAVID THOREAU  
Van Doren  
Thoreau, one of America's great thinkers and writers, is portrayed in this biography as an individual with many talents and much to offer to the American way of life.
- Stoddard, Edward 4+ THE FIRST BOOK OF MAGIC  
This book includes tricks of varying difficulty using coins, paper, cards and balls. Most of the tricks illustrated are inexpensive.
- Stonehouse, Bernard 4+ CLOSER LOOK AT REPTILES  
Lizards, snakes, turtles, tortoises, crocodiles, alligators and the tuatara are treated in this brief book about the habits and environment of reptiles.
- Syme, Ronald 4+ OSCEOLA, SEMINOLE LEADER  
Syme's presents a sympathetic story of a complex series of tragic events in the life of this Indian Chieftain. While under a flag of truce, Osceola is captured and confined to a reservation.

- Syme, Ronald 3+ **GERONIMO, THE FIGHTING APACHE**  
Syme's biography spans this chieftain's life from childhood to death, highlighting his battles against the white man.
- Tabias, Tobi 3+ **MARIA TALLCHIEF**  
This account of a prima ballerina and her rise to stardom are illustrated in this biography.
- Towne, Peter 3+ **GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER**  
Carver attempts to teach his people to help themselves is the focus of this biography.
- Traven, B. 5+ **THE CREATION OF THE SUN AND THE MOON**  
This Mexican Indian legend tells how the sun was rekindled and moon formed.
- Van Wormer, Joe 3+ **ELEPHANTS**  
The African and Asian giants are described in clear words and attractive photographs.
- Veglahn, Nancy 5+ **MYSTERIOUS RAYS: MARIE CURIES' WORLD**  
Fighting against poverty, and inadequate facilities, Marie Curie and her husband Pierre discovered radium, a component of uranium.
- Verral, Charles 3+ **BABE RUTH, SULTAN OF SWAT**  
While attending a Catholic school for instruction and discipline, Babe learns to play the game of baseball. It is from this initial start that Ruth became a hero of sports enthusiasts.
- Walker, Alice 3+ **LANGSTON HUGHES, AMERICAN POET**  
Langston Hughes grew from a lonely confused black youth who found refuge in reading to a loved and honored author of poetry, drama, novels and stories.
- Watson, Jane Werner 4+ **ALTERNATE ENERGY SAVERS**  
The author explores the alternative energy sources of solar, geothermal, nuclear and wind.

Westman, Paul

**THOR HEYERDAHL: ACROSS THE SEAS OF TIME**

All four of Heyerdahl's voyages to far places are detailed in this succinct biography.

White, Florence Meiman 4+

**FIRST WOMAN IN CONGRESS: JEANNETTE RANKIN**

Following her conscience in spite of the results, Rankin was an exciting woman who helped fight for women's right to vote and for peace.

Williams, Jay 3+

**THE WICKED TRICKS OF TYL UILENSPEIGEL**

Tyl's cunning tricks and devices are used to help the Netherlands secure their independence from Spain during the sixteenth century.

Yates, Elizabeth 4+

**AMOS FORTUNE, FREE MAN**

This sensitive documentary is about Prince At-mun, who was captured, sold into slavery, and freed as Amos Fortune.

Yellow, Robe, Rosebud 4+

**TONWEYA AND THE EAGELS AND OTHER LAKOTA INDIAN TALES**

The stories in this collection feature Chano, a Lakota chief, as a young boy on his first buffalo hunt and other exciting adventures.

Yolen, Jane 5+

**SIMPLE GIFTS: THE STORY OF THE SHAKERS**

Shaker beliefs, worship and style of living are explained by a sympathetic author.

Zim, Herbert 5+

**BIG CATS**

Characteristics, behavior and information on the dwindling natural habitats of wild cats are included in this survey.

5+

**LITTLE CATS**

The small, wild relatives of domestic cats and domestic cats themselves, are described in this comparison to Big Cats.

FICTION

Adam, Richard

5+

**WATERSHIP DOWN**

The unknown, humans, rivers, and other dangers await a band of rabbits fleeing before a predicted disaster as they seek to establish a safe and happy warren.

AESOP

3+

**AESOP'S FABLES**

These simple animal tales reveal universal messages concerning human behavior.

Adler, Carol S.

5+

**IN OUR HOUSE SCOTT IS MY BROTHER**

Jodi has been lonely since the death of her mother, but the idea of having a stepmother and a stepbrother excites her. However, problems develop and Jodi had difficulty in deciding whether to be mad at them for messing up her life or feel sorry for them because they have big problems.

5+

**GET LOST, LITTLE BROTHER**

When Todd's older brothers lock him in the bathroom, he plans a refuge on a small island. A girl called Feisty Louie and another friendless waif, Hank, become fast friends with Todd in the process of building a clubhouse on the island.

3+

**THE MAGIC OF THE GLITS**

Twelve-year-old Jeremy feels that the summer he is spending with his mother on Cape Code has been ruined by his broken leg and the annoyance of seven-year-old Lynette, a friend of the family who is grieving her mother's death.

Alcott, Louisa M.

5+

**LITTLE WOMEN**

One of the most popular girls' stories written, LITTLE WOMEN features the New England homelife of four sisters in the mid-nineteenth century.

Alexander, Lloyd

4+

**CHRONICLES OF PRYDAIN**

**THE BOOK OF THREE**

**THE BLACK CAULDRON**

**THE CASTLE OF LLYR**

**TARAN WANDERER**

**THE HIGH KING**

This is a series of fantasy books inspired by Welsh and Celtic mythology that recount the chronicles of the land of Prydain and events in which Taran, the Assistant Pig-keeper, becomes the leader of the forces of good fighting against those of evil.

**THE FIRST TWO LIVES OF LUKAS-KASKA**

Washed ashore in a new land of palaces and hidden treasure, Lukas is astonished to be hailed King of Abadan. His life is threatened by rivals who seek to overthrow him. Lukas teams with an unusual crew in this strange but wild adventure.

**WESTMARK**

Theo becomes a fugitive in this tale because he violated the strict laws controlling printing while working as an apprentice to a printer. He encounters some strange individuals in this adventure story.

4+

**THE WIZARD IN THE TREE**

Mallory must depend on her quick thinking and magic powers to save herself and her friend, a wizard, who has been accused of murder.

Allan, Ted

3+

**WILLIE THE SQUOWSE**

Willie is half squirrel and half mouse, thereby the name Squouse. He acquires capital from money stuffed into the hole in the wall where he resides between two couples with many problems. The pen and ink drawings and humor add to this fanciful story.

- Allard, Harry                    3+                    **MISS NELSON IS MISSING**
- Room 207 has gained notoriety as the worst-behaved class in school. When the teacher doesn't appear for class, a substitute replaces her, creating drastic changes. The original teacher returns. This is a book filled with humorous episodes.
- Andersen, Hans                    3+                    **THE COMPLETE FAIRY TALES AND STORIES**
- This collection of Andersen's 156 stories and tales reveals his genius for preserving human character and folk culture. There are other collections.
- Angell, Judie                    3+                    **TINA GOGOL**
- Tina Gogolawsky is an eleven-year-old foster child with many problems. She matures during a summer while befriending a peer. Another book by Judie Angell is entitled A Word From Our Sponsor.
- Armer, Laura A.                    5+                    **WATERLESS MOUNTAIN**
- Younger Brother, a Navaho Indian, learns the songs and customs of his people in this skillfully woven and sympathetic narrative.
- Armstrong, William                    5+                    **SOUNDER**
- Sounder, a poverty-stricken black family's dog, is severely injured by white men who come to arrest the father for stealing food.
- Arrick, Fran                    5+                    **TUNNEL VISION**
- Anthony who is a model student, respected by everyone, and an excellent swimmer, hangs himself with his father's neckties. He leaves no note. Those closest to him feel guilty, shocked and condemn themselves for not sensing this young lad's terminal depression.
- Avi                    5+                    **NIGHT JOURNEYS**
- Young Peter York and his host Everett Shinn find themselves in conflict with the law in the pre-Revolutionary Pennsylvania.

- Avi 5+ **ENCOUNTER AT EASTON**  
Elizabeth and Robert, two indentured servants who have escaped a harsh master, are pursued by a bounty hunter with tragic results.
- Babbit, Natalie 3+ **EYES OF THE AMARYLLIS**  
Set in the late 19th century, a sea captain's widow awaits a message from the sea. During a visit from her grandchild, a sign is discovered but returned by the grandmother. The complex nature of character and plot development.
- 4+ **TUCK EVERLASTING**  
An entire family has found the secret of eternal youth. The secret is discovered by a stranger who attempts to harm the Tuck family members. An eleven-year-old youth, also discovering the secret, aids the family. A fast-paced, exciting tale.
- 4+ **KNEE-KNOCK RISE**  
Who or what is Megrimum who lives in the Mammoth Mountains and frightens the residents of Instep. Egan, who is visiting his uncle, decides to climb the Mammoth Mountains to find Megrimum.
- Bailey, Carolyn 3+ **MISS HICKORY**  
Miss Hickory spends the winter with the wild animals when the family goes to Boston. Of course Miss Hickory is a doll.
- Bagnold, Enid 5+ **NATIONAL VELVET**  
A passionate horse fan disguises herself as a male jockey to ride in the National Steeplechase in England.
- Barrie, James M. 4+ **PETER PAN**  
Peter Pan, Tinker Bell and the Darling children first appeared in this story.

- Baum, L. Frank 3+ **THE WIZARD OF OZ**  
Dorothy and Toto are swept into the wonderful Land of Oz by a cyclone (tornado).
- Bawden, Nina 5+ **PEPPERMINT PIG**  
Naughty nine-year-old Poll tangles with her brother Theo when mother, four children and the "peppermint pig" move in with Aunt Sarah and Aunt Harriet.
- Beatty, Patricia 3+ **BY CRUMBS, IT'S MINE**  
When Papa loses his shirt in a poker game and goes off to the gold fields "One Elephant" by the name of Nomad saves the family with a little help from Damaris.
- Behn, Harry 5+ **THE FARAWAY LURS**  
In this tender story of young love, Heather of the gentle Forest people and Wolf Stone of the warring Sun people are the protagonists.
- Billington, Elizabeth J 3+ **PART-TIME BOY**  
Jamie, a nonconformist and a loner, learns to develop friendship and feel accepted after he works with Mattie Swenson for the Natural Science Center.
- Blos, Joan 5+ **A GATHERING OF DAYS: A NEW ENGLAND GIRL'S JOURNAL, 1830-32**  
Catherine's journal records the kindness and strength of the people in New Hampshire and her own increasing maturity as a housekeeper for her father.
- Blume, Judy 5+ **ARE YOU THERE GOD? IT'S ME, MARGARET**  
Physical maturity, adjustment to a new school, and what church if any to belong to, fill the daily prayers of this half-Jewish, half-catholic eleven-year-old.



- Blume, Judy 3+ **BLUBBER**  
Jill first leads the sadistic treatment of an obese classmate then defends her only to become the next victim.
- 4+ **IT'S NOT THE END OF THE WORLD**  
Jeff, Karen, and Amy discover it's not the end of the world when their parents are divorced.
- 3+ **SUPERFUDGE**  
Fudge, jealous of his new baby sister, plots to be rid of her. This is a sequel to TALES OF A FOURTH GRADE NOTHING.
- 3+ **TALES OF A FOURTH GRADE NOTHING**  
Nine-year-old Peter Hatcher must cope with his two-year-old brother Fudge, who appears to be a born troublemaker causing a series of disasters to befall his older brother Peter.
- Bonham, Frank 5+ **MYSTERY OF THE FAT CAT**  
Is Buzzer Atkins an imposter preventing the Boys Club from receiving their inheritance.
- 4+ **RASCALS FROM HASKELLS GYM**  
Sissy's efforts to help her team defeat the Haskell's Raskells is intensified when her coach challenges them to a duo match. She uncovers the Haskell's scheme during a crucial meet. A mystery line is created in this story, but is only slight.
- Bontemps, Arna 3+ **FAST SOONER HOUND**  
A hound who would "sooner run than eat" races a fast train called the Cannonball.
- Boston, Lucy 4+ **THE CHILDREN OF GREEN KNOWE**  
This is the first of a series of five time-lapse stories centered around Tolly and his great grandmother, and the history of Greene Knowe, a mansion. STONES OF GREEN KNOWE is a companion story.

Boutis, Victoria

**KATY DID IT**

Katy and Toby the dog go backpacking with Katy's father.

Brink, Carol

4+

**CADDIE WOODLAWN**

A pioneer tomboy helps the reader understand frontier life in Wisconsin during the 1860's.

Brittain, Bill

3+

**DEVIL'S DONKEY**

"Stew Meat" and a courageous farm girl rescue Dan'l Pitt from a spell cast by the last witch of Coven Tree.

3+

**WISHGIVER**

Wishes make it true, but not to the satisfaction of Polly, who wanted, and got, attention or of the traveling salesman who put down roots or Adam who asked for water and got gushers.

Buck, Pearl

4+

**THE BIG WAVE**

A tidal wave brings two young Japanese boys close together, growing up as brothers. The call of the sea affects one of the boys decisions as an adult. A compelling story which helps the reader understand the Japanese children.

Burch, Robert

3+

**IDA EARLY COMES OVER THE MOUNTAIN**

Ida Early was a tall woman with stringy hair and overalls, who rescued the Sultons from their bossy aunts by making everything seem possible.

5+

**QUEENIE PEAVY**

Growing up in Georgia in the 1930's, Queenie must learn to face life while her father is in prison.

Burnett, Frances  
Hodgson

4+

**LITTLE LORD FAUNTILERROY**

This children's classic, whose hero was used as an uncomfortable model for many suffering boys at the end of the 19th century, has been restored via the television to its rightful place as an adventure story of an American boy who becomes a loved and loving English lord.

Burnett, Frances  
Hodgson

**THE SECRET GARDEN**

An orphaned cousin helps Colin overcome his invalidism, restore his mother's locked garden and regain his father's affection.

Burnford, Sheila 4+

**THE INCREDIBLE JOURNEY**

This is a realistically told story of the struggle for survival of two dogs and a cat on their 400-mile journey through the Canadian wilderness to return to their home.

Burroughs, Edgar 5+  
Rice

**TARZAN OF THE APES**

Tarzan, son of Lord Greystoke, an English nobleman, is abandoned in Africa while a baby and is raised by a family of apes. He learns the language and habits of the animals while growing up in the jungle. This is the first of a long series of books dealing with the adventures of Tarzan.

Byars, Betsy C. 5+

**THE ANIMAL, THE VEGETABLE, AND JOHN D. JONES**

When Clara and Deanie's father brings along a friend and son to the beach, vacation plans appear to be dampened. The possibility of a tragedy alters relationships.

4+

**THE CARTOONIST**

Alfie's expulsion from the attic where he created his private world in cartoon form forces him to grow up and reconcile his real and imaginary world.

3+

**THE CYBIL WAR**

Simon has worshipped Cybil silently since second grade. Then, his friend Tony starts trying to win Cybil's attention by his boasting and Simon steams.

3+

**NIGHT SWIMMERS**

While father sings country-western music Retta finds herself pulled in all directions by one brother who wants to be with a friend and the other who still wants to be a night swimmer.

- Byars, Betsy C. 4+ **THE PINBALLS**  
Three abused children living in a foster home are presented in this bitter but humorous story. The author's style is deceptively simple and eloquent.
- 5+ **THE SUMMER OF THE SWANS**  
The pain of adolescence and the sadness of mental retardation are presented in this sensitive story of Sara and her brother, Charlie.
- Calhoun, Mary 3+ **NIGHT THE MONSTER CAME**  
Although the adults think Andy is making up tales about Bigfoot, he finds out what the monster is in this tale of youthful courage.
- Carlson, Natalie 3+ **FAMILY UNDER THE BRIDGE**  
A Parisian hobo is forced to reexamine his lifestyle when the day before Christmas a mother with three children claim as home his space under the bridge. The reader is offered an inside view of gipsy life.
- 3+ **THE HAPPY ORPHELIN**  
There is a fear of adoption by twenty orphan girls who realize adoption means separation. Throughout the book are selected French words.
- Carrick, Carol 3+ **WHAT A WIMP**  
Life after his parent's divorce was hard enough for Barney before the school bully started picking on him and calling him a wimp.
- Carris, Jean 3+ **WHEN THE BOYS RAN THE HOUSE**  
Jut and his brothers survive a hitch at housekeeping while their mother is ill and their father is in Europe on business.
- Carroll, Lewis 4+ **ALICE'S ADVENTURES IN WONDERLAND**  
The unknown awaits Alice in this unusual, satirical fantasy world filled with strange creatures, adventures and wonderful sights.

- Caudill, Rebecca 4+ **A CERTAIN SMALL SHEPHERD**  
Jamie, a mute, plays the part of a shepherd in a nativity scene even though a blizzard cancels the local church pageant.
- Chrisman, Arthur 5+ **SHEN OF THE SEA**  
Chrisman's short stories about China have the quality of folklore.
- Christopher, John 5+ **WHITE MOUNTAINS**  
Will, who lives in a future world that has been taken over by the mind controlling tripods, escapes to White Mountain with his friends Henry and Beanpole. This is the first book of the Tripod Trilogy.
- Clark, Ann Nolan 4+ **SECRET OF THE ANDES**  
The South American youth in this story is searching for his calling, discovering his niche in llama herding. This is a 1953 Newbery Medal Book.
- 5+ **YEAR WALK**  
Kepa, who left his Basque homeland to join his godfather in Idaho, learns to be a shepherd to the herds that roam the mountain slopes and plateaus of Idaho.
- Cleary, Beverly 4+ **DEAR MR. HENSHAW**  
Leigh has been writing to his favorite author since he was in second grade. Now his letters and his journal reflect how he adjusts to his parents' divorce.
- 3+ **ELLEN TEBBITS**  
Ellen Tebbits, an eight-year-old third grader, takes ballet lessons, has braces on her teeth, and has a secret she shares with Austine, a new girl at school.

Cleary, Beverly

3+

**HENRY HIGGINS**

This story concentrates on the adventures of Henry Higgins and his faithful companion dog, Ribsby. They manage to place themselves in all sorts of predicaments.

3+

**THE MOUSE AND THE MOTORCYCLE**

A mouse rides a motorcycle through hotel corridors where he lives and befriends Keith. This story details the development of their relationship.

3+

**RAMONA AND HER FATHER**

When her father loses his job Ramona studies to star in TV commercials in this appealing book full of wisdom and fun.

3+

**RAMONA AND HER MOTHER**

Ramona eventually decides that her mother does love her despite quarrels and fatigue.

3+

**RAMONA QUIMBY, AGE 8**

Mother is working as a receptionist and father is going to school when Ramona becomes big enough to ride the bus alone and for her family to depend on.

3+

**RAMONA THE BRAVE**

Coping with a teacher who doesn't like children who are different or have imagination, Ramona finds ways to survive in school.

4+

**RAMONA THE PEST**

Ramona becomes a kindergarten dropout in this sequel to Beezus and Ramona.

3+

**RIBSY**

Ribsby is Henry Huggin's dog but he is lost and the way home leads through a series of hilarious adventures.

Cleary, Beverly 4+

**RUNAWAY RALPH**

Ralph, the resident mouse of Mountain View Inn runs away on his toy motorcycle and helps a boy, accused of being a thief, to find freedom.

Cleaver, Vera 5+  
Bill Cleaver

**LADY ELLEN GRAE**

Uninhibited Ellen Grae is sent to Seattle to become a lady. This story is a sequel to ELLEN GRAE AND GROVER.

5+

**WHERE THE LILIES BLOOM**

Fourteen-year-old Mary Call Luther assumes responsibility for a boy of ten and her retarded older sister. Mary keeps her father's death a secret.

3+

**QUEEN OF HEARTS**

Wilma has to care for her cantankerous grandmother who has suffered a stroke. The Queen of Hearts tell how Wilma and her grandmother survived the summer.

Clymer, Eleanor 3+

**THE GET AWAY CAR**

Maggie and her Grandma run away when "Aunt Rhubarb" wants to put Grandma into a nursing home. They escape and the police chase their black station wagon.

Clifford, Eth 3+

**ROCKING CHAIR REBELLION**

Penelope purposely avoids the residents from the Maple Ridge Home for the Aged but becomes a volunteer worker. Eventually some of the Ridge Home residents seek housing on her street creating turmoil and stress.

3+

**DASTARDLY MURDER OF DIRTY PETE**

Mary Rose, Jo-Beth and their father wind up lost in a ghost town in the Rockies where the sisters untangle an unusual mystery.

Coatsworth, Elizabeth 4+

**THE CAT WHO WENT TO HEAVEN**

The Japanese artist in this book creates a picture of animals paying homage to Buddha. He risks his reputation by painting a cat in the picture which violates custom. An unusual twist vindicates the artist.

Coerr, Eleanor 3+

**SADAKO AND THE THOUSAND PAPER CRANES**

This book is based on the true story of Sadako Sasaki, who was two years old when the bomb was dropped on Hiroshima. Following the discovery of leukemia, she begins constructing 1000 cranes, the Japanese symbol of good luck. She dies before finishing the project, but her classmates finish allowing her to be buried with the paper flock. Sentimentality is avoided. Japanese customs and celebrations are details enhanced by soft black-and-white paintings.

Cohen, Peter 3+

**DEADLY GAME AT STONY CREEK**

Cliff fears being maimed by the wild dogs running loose near his family farm. He joins the search for them after family sheep are destroyed. Because of the suspense, this book appeals to reluctant readers and is a good choice for a read-aloud.

Collier, James 5+  
Christopher Collier

**THE BLOODY COUNTRY**

Ben Buck and his family settled in the Wyoming Valley of Pennsylvania in the 1750's where they survived a massacre, floods and legal maneuvers to cheat them of their land.

5+

**JUMP SHIP TO FREEDOM**

Following his father's death in the Revolutionary War, a young black faces danger to gain the freedom to which he and his mother are now entitled.

5+

**MY BROTHER SAM IS DEAD**

The authors use contemporary language in this tale of a family divided during the Revolutionary War.



- Collodi, Carlo            3+            **THE ADVENTURES OF PINOCCHIO**
- A wooden puppet becomes a real boy bent on adventure.
- 4+            **AND THIS IS LAURA**
- Laura as storyteller thinks she is average in a family of super-achievers. Her discovery of psychic powers changes all of this.
- Cone, Molly            3+            **AMAZING MEMORY OF HARVEY BEAN**
- Harvey Bean cannot remember anything. An non-conforming adult couple help Harvey cope after his mother and father separate.
- Conford, Ellen        4+            **THE LUCK OF POKEY BLOOM**
- A pre-adolescent contest addict increasingly becomes concerned with her older brother's bizarre behavior. This book is a study of family and peer relationships.
- 3+            **THE REVENGE OF THE INCREDIBLE DR. RANCID AND HIS YOUTHFUL ASSISTANT**
- Jeffrey is intimidated by fellow classmate Dewey. Writing about conquering a bully serves as a catharsis. Jeffrey fights back the next time and becomes a hero.
- Cooper, Susan        5+            **THE DARK IS RISING SERIES**
- OVER SEA, UNDER STONE**
- THE DARK IS RISING**
- GREENWITCH**
- THE GREY KING**
- SILVER ON THE TREE**
- The author of this series blends fantasy with reality and concern for humanity. The series combines the legends of Buckinghamshire with ancient Celtic and English traditions in classic stories of evil versus good.

- Cunningham, Julia 5+ DORP DEAD  
Being apprenticed to Kobalt, the ladder maker, Billy Ground, an orphan, discovers that he is a prisoner.
- 5+ FLIGHT OF THE SPARROW  
In a story which echoes of Oliver Twist, a nine-year-old orphan learns to cope with the evils of the street world of Paris.
- Danziger, Paula THE CAT ATE MY GYM SUIT  
At home Marcy Lewis is tyrannized by her father and bored at school. An unusual teacher helps her overcome her feelings of insecurity. She reciprocates by aiding the teacher who is fired.
- THE PISTACHIO PRESCRIPTION  
Cassie is a thirteen-year-old compulsive hypochondriac who's election as president of the senior class is a turning point. Additional books by Paula Danziger are The Divorce Express and There's A Bat In Bunk Five.
- Dawood, N. J. 5+ TALES FROM THE ARABIAN NIGHTS  
This collection of short stories from Persia, India and Arabia is made up of familiar tales which focus on mythical beasts, genies and magicians.
- DeJong, Meindert 4+ JOURNEY FROM PEPPERMINT STREET  
Through various and exciting adventures Siebren learns to love and understand his gruff grandfather, his deaf uncle, and his courageous little aunt.
- 3+ WHEEL ON THE SCHOOL  
Children of Shora in the Netherlands are determined to bring storks back to their town.
- DeMuth, Patricia 3+ JOEL, GROWING UP A FARM MAN  
Farming is hard, continuous work. All kinds of farming is what Joel's growing up is all about. The matter-of-factness of some chores should not shock anyone.

- Dickens, Charles 4+ **THE CHRISTMAS CAROL**  
Scrooge is led from his bitter, self-centered outlook to true Christmas warmth by a series of spirits and a small crippled boy.
- Dillon, Barbara **WHAT'S HAPPENED TO HARRY**
- Dixon, Paige 6+ **SEARCH FOR CHARLIE**  
Jane helps to hunt for her missing brother Charlie despite problems created by a "know it all" sherriff who is prejudice against a friend of the family who happens to be native American.
- 5+ **WALK MY WAY**  
Kitty, who is tall and awkward goes to find a friend of her mother's when her father mistreats her. On the way she learns to help herself by helping those she meets.
- Dodge, Mary Mapes 4+ **HANS BRINKER or THE SILVER SKATES**  
Can Hans Brinker win the silver skates with only homemade wooden skates to use? written by an author who never visited Holland, this story is accepted as an authentic picture of Holland in the mid-1800s.
- Doty, Jean Slaughter 3+ **CAN I GET THERE BY CANDLELIGHT?**  
Gail befriends Hilary who dresses and acts as if she were living in the late 19th century. Hilary reacts strongly to being set to boarding school. Candelight is the horse's name and plays an important part in the story. This book has special appeal to those readers who like horses.
- Drury, Roger W. 4+ **FINCHES' FABULOUS FURNACE**  
The mystery of the low rent and heating is solved when Peter makes an unusual discovery.
- DuBois, William P. 5+ **TWENTY-ONE BALLOONS**  
Professor William waterbury Sherman sets forth from San Francisco on a balloon expedition.

- Duncan, Lois 5+ GIFT OF MAGIC  
Kirby, Nancy and Brendon Garrett, who have lived with their journalist father, go to live with their mother. Each has a gift, but it is Kirby's that is a catalyst for this story.
- Dygaard, Thomas 6+ QUARTERBACK WALK-ON  
Denny, who only hoped to coach football because he was too small to play on a college team, suddenly found himself the quarterback for a very important game.
- Edmonds, Walter D. 4+ THE MATCHLOCK GUN  
A ten-year-old boy helps his mother repel an Indian attack with the matchlock gun.
- Enright, Elizabeth 4+ GONE AWAY LAKE THIMBLE SUMMER  
One adventurous summer Jule and Porsh explore unfamiliar woods and swampland.
- Estes, Eleanor 4+ GINGER PYE  
Uncle Benny, age 3, rescues Ginger Pye from the man with the mustard-colored hat.
- Eyerly, Jeannette 3+ SEEING SUMMER  
Carey is excited about a new neighbor until she discovers Jenny is blind, but Carey has much to learn.
- Farley, Walter 4+ THE BLACK STALLION  
Alec Ramsey and a black Arabian stallion are the only survivors of a shipwreck. There are a number of sequels to this story.
- Field, Rachel 4+ HITTY, HER FIRST HUNDRED YEARS  
Hitty, a doll made from mountain ash, reflects from the safety of the antique shop her experiences of widely differing places and people during the 1800s.

Finger, Charles 5+

**TALES FROM SILVERHANDS**

This is a collection of 19 legendary tales from South America based upon stories the author was told by natives he met in his wanderings.

Fitzgerald, John 6+

**THE GREAT BRAIN**

John Dennis (J.D.), age seven, applies his tall tale imagination to this autobiographical yarn about his older brother, The Great Brain.

Fitzhugh, Louise 4+

**HARRIET THE SPY**

Harriet, an eleven-year-old, attends private school and writes her thoughts about people, places and things in a notebook. Miserableness occurs when her classmates obtain her writing journal.

5+

**NOBODY'S FAMILY IS GOING TO CHANGE**

Stereotypical images and parental expectations are portrayed through the father's wishes for his children, Emma and Willie Sheridan. Conflicts arise when Emma wants to be a lawyer and Willie wants to be a dancer like his grandfather.

4+

**SPORT**

Meanness and greed are illustrated in this story about Sport, who lives with his writer-father and becomes involved in a kidnapping.

Fleischman, Sid 3+

**HUMBUG MOUNTAIN**

Wiley and Glorietta help their parents outwit a disreputable steamboat captain, find a petrified man, and rescue their grandfather in a tall tale of Western adventure.

3+

**McBROOM TELLS A LIE**

In this tall tale of overnight tomatoes and a popcorn snowstorm, it is difficult to tell where one lie ends and next begins.

Forbes, Esther

**JOHNNY TREMAIN**

Johnny is an arrogant apprentice to a silversmith in pre-Revolutionary War Boston until he burns his hand in an accident. Humbled, he becomes a messenger boy for the insurgent colonists.

Flora, James

3+

**GREAT GREEN TURKEY CREEK MONSTER**

A great green monster causes chaos in the small town of Turkey Creek by engaging in mischief and pranks.

Gaines, Ernest J.

3+

**LONG DAY IN NOVEMBER**

Sonny's day is typical of the life style of blacks living on plantations in the early part of 20th Century U.S.

Gannett, Ruth S.

5+

**MY FATHER'S DRAGON**

With the help of chewing gum, toothpaste and lollipops, this fantasy of sense and nonsense describes the adventures of Elmer Elevator who attempts to free a captive, overworked dragon on Wild Island.

Garfield, James

**FOLLOW THE LEADER**

An eleven-year-old blind boy gradually resumes his normal life with the aid of loyal friends and his guide dog, Leader.

Garner, Alan

4+

**ELIDOR**

A ruined church provides a gateway to the past where the protagonist saves the Kingdom of Elidor from evil.

Garrigue, Sheila

3+

**BETWEEN FRIENDS**

When Jill moves from San Diego to a small Massachusetts town, she finds a special friend. This friendship plunges Jill into a very complex social and ethical situation.

Gates, Doris

6+

**BLUE WILLOW**

Janey's hope is to find a home for her Blue Willow plate and display it.

Gates, Doris 4+

**MORGAN FOR MELINDA**

Melinda, who is terrified of horses, accomplishes a task to win her father's approval. Missy, a ninety-year-old writer, helps Melinda to attain her goal.

Gauch, Patricia Lee 5+

**MORELLI'S GAME**

Morelli sends two groups of students on a 200-mile bike ride with a map and \$5.00 to provide them with a Tolkien-like adventure.

George, Jean 6+  
Craighead

**JULIE OF THE WOLVES**

Thirteen-year-old Miyax (Julie) survives the Alaskan wilderness for months with the wolves. The detail is authentic, and the story well told.

6+

**MY SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN**

Sam runs away, determined to care for himself without store-bought supplies. He must fight to retain his home in a hollow tree when the newspapers discover it.

6+

**RIVER RATS, INC.**

A raft trip down the river to scatter the ashes of Roland Streeter in accordance with his will turns into a time of terror.

Giff, Patricia Reilly 4+

**FOURTH GRADE CELEBRITY**

For Casey, being selected president is not enough to outshine her older sister.

3+

**LEFT-HANDED SHORTSTOP**

When Walter Moles, who is left-handed and doesn't play baseball, accidentally injures the fourth grade shortstop, it appears that Mr. Dogle's promise of no homework on Friday's if the fourth grade can beat the fifth grade is lost.

Gilson, Jamie 4+

**DO BANANAS CHEW GUM?**

It takes a lot of courage and help from friends for whiz kid Sam Mott to discover his real problem.

- Gilson, Jamie 4+ **THIRTEEN WAYS TO SINK A SUB**  
A naive substitute teacher makes it easy for her sophisticated students to torment her in a plot to make her leave.
- Gipson, Fred 5+ **OLD YELLER**  
This is a classic story of a boy and his dog during the frontier days in the Texas hill country.
- 5+ **SAVAGE SAM**  
Travis Coates escapes from captivity by Apache Indians, and with the help of Old Yeller's son, Savage Sam, leads a posse in search of his little sister who is still being held prisoner.
- Girion, Barbara 4+ **MISTY AND ME**  
A forbidden puppy, a whining younger brother, a girlfriend interested in boys and a dogsitter with a heart attack complicate Kim's life.
- Gould, Marilyn 5+ **GOLDEN DAFFODILS**  
Golden daffodils and a hand from classmate Barney help Janis overcome the problems she faces in the neighborhood school to which she transfers from a special school for handicapped children.
- Grahame, Kenneth 4+ **WIND IN THE WILLOWS**  
Mole, Rat, Toad, and Badger think, talk, act, and get in trouble just like humans.
- Gray, Elizabeth 5+ **ADAM OF THE ROAD**  
Janet Adam, traveling with his minstrel father, loses first his dog and then himself. His adventures give a clear look at England in the late Middle Ages.
- Greene, Bette 4+ **GET ON OUT OF HERE, PHILIP HALL**  
When her plan to get back at Philip Hall for winning the Abner Brady Leadership Award backfires and she is embarrassed, Beth Lambert decides to visit her grandmother for a few weeks of soul-searching.



- Greene, Bette 5+ **PHILIP HALL LIKES ME**  
Placed in rural Arkansas, this lively adventure of girl entraps boy makes for entertaining reading.
- Greene, Constance 5+ **BEAT THE TURTLE DRUM**  
The topic of death is the major crisis in this story about Joss, Tootie and Kate, the narrator. The adjustment that each family member makes lends realism and credibility to the story.
- 4+ **EARS OF LOUIS**  
Louis' special problem causes bullying and teasing by his classmates. With help from Willie, Mrs. Beeble and an old man, Louis realizes he is just a boy with big ears and it doesn't matter.
- 5+ **A GIRL CALLED AL**  
This story deals with a few months in the lives of two seventh grade girls. The narrator and her best friend Alexandra live in the same apartment building and share some common interests.
- 5+ **I AND SPROGGY**  
Eventually Adam learns that Sproggy, his step-sister, can be a loyal friend instead of a rival.
- Greenwald, Sheila 3+ **GIVE US A GREAT BIG SMILE, ROSY COLE**  
Rosy Cole, age 10, has a big problem with her camera-happy Uncle Ralph. After everyone including her teacher has tried to become a part of her starring role in a photo-essay, Rosy becomes her sweet, old, untalented self.
- Hahn, Mary D. 4+ **DAPHNE'S BOOK**  
Peer group cruelty and the disturbing dilemma Daphne faces is compellingly portrayed in this story. Jessica, the main character, is torn between betrayal and loyalty.

Hayward, Carolyn

**EDDIE'S MENAGERIE**

This is one of a series of books about Eddie Wilson, who is a little boy who knows what he wants and goes after it.

Hale, Lucretia

5+

**THE COMPLETE PETERKIN PAPERS**

These ridiculous stories about a family without common sense first appeared in a magazine for children in the mid 19th century.

Hall, Lynn

3+

**MYSTERY OF THE STUBBORN OLD MAN**

Charlie and his dog Treve are rescued from trouble by a mysterious old man on several occasions.

3+

**SHADOWS**

Audrey, an eleven-year-old whose mother has just died, finds a beautiful, rare collie. Through research at the public library, Audrey realizes it is the ghost of a show dog killed by a train years before.

Hamilton, Virginia

3+

**M.C. HIGGINS THE GREAT**

With almost poetic beauty, Hamilton tells the story of the maturation of the oldest son of a black family in Appalachia.

6+

**THE PLANET OF JUNIOR BROWN**

This is a sad, but compassionate, story of the neurotic son of a neurotic mother. Junior hides from life in a model of the solar system in the basement of the school.

Hanson, June

3+

**WINTER OF THE OWL**

Janey is determined to keep and train the colt a wild stallion has left behind. Her father and grandfather want to sell the colt.

Harris, Christie

5+

**MOUSE WOMAN AND THE VANISHED PRINCESSES**

Mouse Woman, a supernatural being, is always interested in young people in trouble. The purpose of the Mouse Woman stories is to teach young people good manners and respect for animals.

Heinlein, Robert

5+

**HAVE SPACE SUIT -- WILL TRAVEL**

Clifford C. Russell, known as Kip, is a sophomore loafing through high school when he decides his one aim in life is going to the moon. He wins a space suit, is captured by a space saucer, and experiences interspatial cold war. Other books by this author are WALDO AND MAGIC INC. and CITIZEN OF THE GALAXY.

Henry, Marguerite

4+

**KING OF THE WIND**

Cared for by a mute stable boy, the ancestor of Man-O-War has many sad and exciting adventures on his journey from his homeland to safe harbor in England.

4+

**MISTY OF CHINCOTEAGUE**

Misty was one special horse among a herd of wild horses living on an island off the coast of Virginia.

Hermes, Patricia

3+

**WHAT IF THEY KNOW?**

Jeremy attempts to hide epilepsy from her friends at school. In the process she discovers who her real friends are. This first novel contains many incidents common to pre-teenagers.

5+

**NOBODY'S FAULT**

Emily, as a prank, places a dead snake in her thirteen-year-old brother's bed, only to discover him fatally injured in their front yard. As a result of this tragedy, Emily lays in bed for days with psychosomatic illness. After psychiatric counseling, she is better able to deal with reality.

Herzig, Alison and  
Mali, Jane

4+

**WORD TO THE WISE**

Children in O group are labeled dummies and forced to read boring books by the remedial reading teacher, creating problems at school. Willie finds a book he wants to read but must steal it; the book is shared and helps solve problems at school. Recommended reading for teachers and children.

- Hicks, Clifford B. 4+ ALVIN FERNALD, T.V. ANCHORMAN  
Alvin and his friends produce a series of Junior News programs. As a result of Alvin's friendship with a cameraman, Alvin solves a crime supposedly committed by the cameraman. This book is one of a popular series about Alvin.
- Hinton, S.E. 5+ THE OUTSIDERS  
Ponyboy and Johnny, both members of the Greasers, hide from the police after a "sox" from the opposing rich gang is killed.
- Hobin, Russell 3+ MOUSE AND HIS CHILD  
A tin toy mouse and son are thrust into the world only to have their motor break. The ensuing adventure involves capture by an enormous rat and living in the garbage dump. This story has appeal for special readers.
- Holl, Kristi 4+ JUST LIKE A REAL FAMILY  
A class of sixth graders become friends with the residents of Reed's Retirement Ranch. June has problems relating to the resident she is paired with and experiences family financial problems. The resolution of one problem helps solve the other.
- 4+ FOOTPRINTS UP MY BACK  
Jean's family and friends use her as a doormat. With her grandmother's help, Jean is finally able to gain perspective and change this treatment of her by others. Another book by Kristi Holl is entitled Catch A Single Shadow.
- Homan, Felice 5+ THE MURDERER  
Hersey Marks, a twelve-year-old bright and curious Jewish boy, grows up in a sea of prejudiced Polish miners in Pennsylvania.

- Homan, Felice 5+ **SLAKE'S LIMBO**  
Aremis Slake at age thirteen takes to the New York subways as a refuge from an abusive home life and an oppressive school system.
- Howe, Debroah and 4+ **BUNNICULA; A RABBIT-TALE OF MYSTERY**  
Howe, James  
Harold, the dog, tells of the coming of a vampire bunny to the Monroe household.
- Howe, James 3+ **HOWLIDAY INN**  
Chester, the cat, with little help from Harold, the dog, solve the mystery at Chateau Bow-wow.
- Hunt, Irene 4+ **ACROSS FIVE APRILS**  
This story is about the Creighton family who live in southern Illinois during the Civil War. Jethro is the central character of this book.
- Hunter, Kristin 6+ **THE SOUL BROTHERS AND SISTER LOU**  
Lou Hawkins lives in a small apartment with her big family in the ghetto of a big city. Life is discouraging until she finds a way to cope with her environment.
- Hurwitz, Johanna 3+ **BASEBALL FEVER**  
Azra at nine is an ardent baseball fan who has memorized many baseball statistics to the dismay of his Ph.D. father. A chance encounter with one of his father's colleagues leads to a compromise.
- 4+ **ALDO ICE CREAM**  
Aldo, a nine-year-old, earns money by winning a contest for the worst-looking tennies in town. He uses his winnings to buy his sister a special birthday present.
- Irwin, Hadley 3+ **MOON AND ME**  
Condemned to live on a farm in Kansas for six months, E.J. finally finds a friend.

Ish-Kishor, Sulamith 5+

**OUR EDDIE**

The fortunes of a Jewish family in London and New York in the early 20th century are described. The main character is Eddie, the eldest son, whose misfortunes and illness are the focus.

Jacob, Helen 4+

**DIARY OF THE STRAWBRIDGE PLACE**

This book describes events which occurred before The Secret of the Strawbridge Place. The Quaker family is operating an underground railroad. The mother catches jungle fever from the slaves necessitating contact of a doctor with pro-slavery views: filled with excitement and melodrama.

Jones, Penelope 3+

**HOLDING TOGETHER**

Vickie is planning a birthday party. Her mother's illness disrupts family plans. Chemotherapy does not prevent the mother's death. Vickie is able to function with the support of family and friends following her mother's untimely death which aids her maturation.

Kalb, Jonah 3+

**GOOD THAT WON THE PENNANT**

The Blazers are a baseball team that believe they are born losers. Their coach is able to turn that belief around. This book is based on a real incident in baseball history.

Karl, Jean 3+

**BELOVED BENJAMIN IS WAITING**

Lucinda's parents fight constantly, her brother leaves for school and a neighborhood gang threatens her safety. Seeking refuge in a cemetery, a statue becomes her confidant. Resolution to her problems occurs with an unusual science fiction twist.

Kelly, Eric 5+

**THE TRUMPETER OF KRAKOW**

In this story from Poland, the commemoration of an act of bravery and self-sacrifice in ancient Krakow saves the lives of a family two centuries later.

- Kendall, Carol 4+ **THE GAMMAGE CUP**  
When the Minnipins are threatened by an enemy race, they are saved by a group of banished rebels.
- Kerr, Judith 4+ **WHEN HITLER STOLE PINK RABBIT**  
When her family has to leave Berlin because the Nazi's win the election, Anna must choose between two stuffed toys, a new dog and a pink rabbit.
- Key, Alexander 4+ **ESCAPE TO WITCH MOUNTAIN**  
Orphaned Tony and his sister Tia, a mute, are menaced by a thug with a custody order. They flee town and seek refuge in the great Smokies in this fantasy.
- Kipling, Rudyard 3+ **JUST SO STORIES**  
This is a collection of literary fantasies about the "high and far-off times" before leopards developed spots.
- 5+ **THE JUNGLE BOOK**  
This book describes the many adventures Mowgli has with tigers, seals, elephants, and other jungle animals as he tries to become accepted as part of their world.
- Kjelgaard, Jim 4+ **BIG RED**  
A trapper's son and his Irish setter track down an outlaw bear in the wilderness.
- Knight, Eric 4+ **LASSIE COME HOME**  
Lassie, a high bred collie, makes the lonely journey from Scotland to Yorkshire to be with the boy who had cared for her as a pup.
- Konigsburg, Elaine 3+ **FROM THE MIXED-UP FILES OF MRS. BASIL E. FRANKWEILER**  
Claudia and her brother Jamie run away with style - to take up residence in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and become involved with Mrs. Frankweiler's files.

Konigsburg, Elaine 3+ **JENNIFER, HECATE, MACBETH, WILLIAM MCKINLEY, AND ME, ELIZABETH**

With some assistance from a toad named Hillary, Ezra, a small self-proclaimed witch and her "apprentice" tackle a mean little girl named Cynthia.

Krumgold, Joseph 5+ **ONION JOHN**

Andy's friendship with Onion John, a vagrant, and his conflict with his father are highlighted by attempts by adults to alter Onion John's lifestyle.

Langton, Jane 4+ **THE FLEDGLING**

Georgie lives in Concord, Massachusetts with her mother, stepfather, orphaned cousins and assorted animals. Georgie's desire to fly leads her to encounter with the great Canada goose. The fulfillment of her wish involves danger. This fantasy is unusual and satisfying.

Lawson, Robert 5+ **BEN AND ME**

A mouse named Amos moves into Ben Franklin's hat. Because Ben follows the advice given by Amos, he becomes famous.

3+ **RABBIT HILL**

Everyone is excited that new folks are coming to live in the house on the hill. The unanswered question is "Will the new residents be good providers?"

LeGuin, Ursula K. 4+ **THE EARTHSEA TRILOGY**

**THE WIZARD OF EARTHSEA**

**THE TOMBS OF ATUAN**

**THE FARTHEREST SHORE**

After unleashing an evil creature through misuse of his powers, Ged, a student wizard, spends the rest of his life opposing evil.



L'Engle, Madeline

6+

**A WRINKLE IN TIME**

This is the first book in a trilogy about a brother and sister who attempt to rescue their father who became a prisoner on another planet while researching the tesseract problem. This story is about the age-old conflict between good and evil. It stretches and rewards the imagination.

Lenski, Lois

4+

**STRAWBERRY GIRL**

Birdie Boyer and her hard working family raise strawberries in Florida, but arouse the hostility of the lazy but proud neighbors, the Slaters.

Lewis, C.S.

4+

**THE CRONICLES OF NARNIA**

**THE LION, THE WITCH AND THE WARDROBE**

**PRINCE CASPIAN: THE RETURN TO NARNIA**

**THE VOYAGE OF THE DAWN TREGDER**

**THE SILVER CHAIR**

**THE HORSE AND HIS BOY**

**THE MAGICIAN'S NEPHEW**

**THE LAST BATTLE**

This series probably has the greatest appeal to the superior reader. With the multiplicity of characters, complicated plots, a mixture of religious symbolism and fantasy intertwined, avid readers would be more likely to enjoy this series.

Lewis, Elizabeth

5+

**YOUNG FU OF THE UPPER YONGTZE**

A historical tale set in china. Young Fu is apprenticed to a brass worker. He becomes indebted after succumbing to his desire to purchase a cheap alarm clock. He must pay back the debt of \$5 before New year's Day or bring shame to his mother. The message still has meaning for today's children.

- Lindgren, Astrid 3+ PIPPI LONGSTOCKING  
Pippi, although only nine, lives alone, scrubs her floors by tying brushes to her feet and has many other inventions and reads adventures while eluding attempts of police and other well-meaning adults to make her conform to normal patterns of living.
- Lindquist, Jennie 3+ THE GOLDEN NAME DAY  
Nine-year-old Nancy lives on a new England farm. Swedish friends come to visit for a summer. When she finds a way to incorporate celebrating her name day into the Swedish calendar, all is perfect.
- Lobel, Arnold 3+ GRASSHOPPERS ON THE ROAD  
A contemporary version of the fable "The Ant and the Grasshopper" is divided into six chapters. In each chapter the grasshopper meets a different animal each attending to a task. This is a tale of habit, doing without questioning. The grasshopper tries to give a reason for change.
- London, Jack 4+ THE CALL OF THE WILD/WHITE FANG  
These two short adventure novels, set in the north, display the universal struggle of person vs. nature, with varying results.
- Lowry, Lois 4+ ANASTASIA AGAIN  
Anastasia survives the family's move to the suburbs which do not meet her stereotype. Instead, suburban living provides a cute boy and plenty of intrigue.
- 4+ ANASTASIA AT YOUR SERVICE  
To fight boredom and poverty, Anastasia goes to work. A silver spoon, eaten by the disposal and plots against her employer, help Anastasia fight boredom.

Lowry, Lois

4+

**ANASTASIA KRUPNIK**

Anastasia, a spirited girl, keeps lists of things she loves and the things she hates. On her good list are such items as her wart, her goldfish and Washburn Cummings, while her teacher, the forthcoming baby and her name are on the latter list.

Lucas, George

5+

**STAR WARS: FROM THE ADVENTURES OF LUKE SKYWALKER**

Luke Skywalker finds himself drawn into the battle between good and evil forces in a galactic civil war. The opposing forces are led by an individual know as Darth Vader.

Mac Lachlan, Patricia

3+

**THROUGH GRANDPA'S EYES**

John learns to see as his blind grandfather does with other senses, even hearing the "smile", Nana's voice when she tells him sternly to go to sleep.

Mann, Peggy

3+

**THERE ARE TWO KINDS OF TERRIBLE**

The first kind of terrible for Rob is to break his arm at the beginning of summer. The other king of terrible is to have your mother go into the hospital for tests and never return home after a diagnosis of cancer. Since Rob is an only child who has been close to his mother and distant from his father, this situation forces some changes. Rob's emotions are sensitively described. His reactions to the funeral and the loneliness he experiences are perceptively included. This book might be helpful to peers, or adults who need to help a child cope with a parental death or to children who have experienced the death of a parent.

Mathis, Sharon

5+

**TEACUP FULL OF ROSES**

Paul, the oldest boy, a talented artist, and a drug addict, steals money that has been saved to send David to school. David tries to recover the money from the drug pusher with dire consequences.

Mauser, Patricia R. 5+

**A BUNDLE OF STICKS**

Ben Tyler, labeled a "bundle of sticks" by the class bully, becomes "dynamite" when he earns the purple belt in Kajukenbo.

Mayer, Marianna 2+

**CARLO COLLODI'S THE ADVENTURES OF PINNOCHIO**

This adaptation of the classic tale of Geppetto the puppetmaker and his wooden marionette comes to life as Mayer translation makes the classic story seem more contemporary.

McCaffrey, Anne 5+

**THE DRAGONRIDERS OF PERN SERIES**

**DRAGON FLIGHT**

**DRAGON QUEST**

**THE WHITE DRAGON**

**DRAGONSONG**

**DRAGON SINGER**

**DRAGONDRUMS**

Originally colonized by Earth, the Planet of Pern is the setting for this science fiction fantasy series. The planet is periodically threatened by deadly silver threads that fall from the wandering Red Star. Various characters are created throughout the series to lead the fight against the forces that threaten Pern with destruction.

McCloskey, Robert 4+

**HOMER PRICE**

When Homer becomes involved with bank robbers, a doughnut machine, and super Duper, a comic strip hero, hilarious complications result.

McLeon, Susan 3+

**PENNIES FOR THE PIPER**

Bick's father has died and her mother dies in a setting of poverty. Bick houses an abused boy and spends money for funeral flowers creating a cash shortage. Therefore, she must journey to live with her wealthy aunt.

- Mearian, Judy 5+ **TWO WAYS ABOUT IT**  
When Annie's mother goes in the hospital for surgery, the resentment that Annie had for cousin Lou melts away after this special summer experience.
- Merrill, Jean 4+ **PUSHCART WAR**  
In 1976 a plot is underway to drive all pushcarts off the streets of New York. A war breaks out between the truck drivers and pushcart owners.
- 4+ **TOOTHPASTE MILLIONAIRE**  
Rufus Mayflower, an eighth grade millionaire, helps Mr. Conti's math class with real math problems. How exciting to discover it cost only two cents to make a tube of toothpaste that sells for seventy-nine cents!
- Miles, Betty 5+ **MAUDIE AND ME AND THE DIRTY BOOK**  
Kate Hanis, a sixth grader, volunteers to help first graders with reading. She chooses a book from the public library that causes some parents to be upset and finds herself in the middle of a censorship battle between the librarian and the parents. Kate successfully defends her choice at a school board meeting.
- Miles, Miska 3+ **ANNIE AND THE OLD ONE**  
This Indian tale teaches attitudes toward life and death from the point of view of another culture. Annie learns that she is a part of the earth and always will be.
- Milne, A.A. 2+ **WINNIE THE POOH**  
This story is about Christopher Robin and his toys, which seem like real people who talk and play with him in his games of make-believe.
- Milton, Hilary 3+ **BLIND FLIGHT**  
Debbie, who's sight has faltered, must guide the plane of her uncle's to a safe landing when a goose crashes through the windshield and knocks her uncle unconscious.

- Morton, Jane 4+ I AM RUBBER YOU ARE BLUE  
Bart's assistance to his father's mayoral campaign is a mixed blessing. However, Bart comes through by "striking out" two burglars.
- Morey, Walt 3+ GENTLE BEN  
Mark, a thirteen-year-old, befriends a brown bear cub that he names Ben. Because several townspeople feel the bear is dangerous, Mark faces several challenges in order to save his loveable friend.
- Neufeld, John 5+ EDGAR ALLEN  
Michael ficket, a twelve-year-old, tells the story of the events which occurred in his family when his parents adopt a little black boy, Edgar Allen.
- Neville, Emille 5+ IT'S LIKE THIS, CAT  
Cheney  
This is a story of a fourteen-year-old growing-up in the neighborhood of Gramercy Park in New York City.
- Norton, Adre 4+ DRAGON MAGIC  
Sig finds a box that has four dragons on its cover. Sig and his three friends each go on an adventure back in time trying to tie the pieces together. Fantasy, legend, and historical and contemporary situations are interwoven in the adventure tale.
- Norton, Mary 3+ BEDKNOBS AND BROOMSTICKS  
Charles, Carey and Paul Winston meets a spinster who is studying to become a witch. She gives the children magic powers and they go on a number of exciting and gruesome trips.
- 3+ THE BORROWERS  
This is a story about tiny people no taller than a pencil who live in a quiet country house under the kitchen and "borrow" the things they need from the people who also live there.

O'Brien, Robert

4+

**MRS. FRISBY AND THE RATS OF NIMH**

The doctors at NIMH have created a race of superintelligent rats. When they escape, the rats decide to carry out a plan against the humans.

O'Connor, Jane

3+

**YOURS 'TIL NIAGARA FALLS**

Abby, who plans to go to camp with her best friend, must go alone when Merle breaks her ankle. Abby finds Roberta, the camp klutz, and they share a wonderful summer.

O'Dell, Scott

5+

**BLACK PEARL**

To prove his manhood, Romano Salazor will risk his life to claim the magnificent black pearl from Manta Siablo, the monster of the sea.

6+

**THE CAPTIVE**

Julian Escobar, a Jesuit seminarian sailing on the Santa Margarita, a cargo ship, discovers the plot by the crew to enslave the Mayan people of Mexico. Can he stand by silently while an entire civilization faces possible extinction?

5+

**ISLAND OF THE BLUE DOLPHINS**

An Indian girl left behind by her tribe survives alone eighteen years on a bleak island off the coast of California.

4+

**SING DOWN THE MOON**

Based on historical fact, this story takes place in Navaho country in the mid 1860's. Bright Morning was tending her sheep when the Tall Knives burnt her village, shattered her dreams and forced her to go on the Long March.

O'Hara, Mary

4+

**MY FRIEND FLICA/THUNDERHEAD**

These two books follow Ken from childhood to young manhood on a ranch in Wyoming, as he is torn between his military father and his sensitive mother.

Park, Barbara 3+

**SKINNYBONES**

Alex worries about his small size, but wins the most improved player trophy in Little League.

Paterson, Katherine 4+

**BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA**

Jess and Leslie create Terabithia, a secret kingdom in the woods where they reign as King and Queen. Through this friendship and the worlds of imagination and learning that Leslie opens up to him, Jess's confidence grows and he is able to cope with unexpected tradgy. This is a touching story.

5+

**THE GREAT GILLY HOPKINS**

Gilly, in yet another foster home, struggles against eveyone, and daydreams about her real mother, before she learns from Maime Trotter how to recognize love and deal with life as it really is.

5+

**THE MASTER PUPPETEER**

Jiro joins a puppet theater to avoid starvation only to find that his new career brings him close to evil and danger.

Pearce, Phillipe 4+

**TOM'S MIDNIGHT GARDEN**

Tom, who would rather stay home and risk catching measles, must spend the holidays with his aunt and uncle. it is here tom discovers the nocturnal garden and Hatty.

Peck, Robert 3+

**MR LITTLE**

Finley and Drag, disappointed not to have Miss kellogg as their teacher, aim a series of practical jokes at Mr. Little. He gains the boys respect by rescuing Miss Kellogg.

5+

**SOUP**

This is the first of a series of stories about Soup and Robert. In this volume the boys sass the teacher, roll down a hill in a barrel, and cheat a storekeeper.



Peck, Robert

4+

**SOUP FOR PRESIDENT**

Ten-year-old Rob Peck is the campaign manager for Soup, his best friend, who is running against Norma Jean. There are fourteen girls and fourteen boys placing Rob in the situation of tie breaker. The plot is further complicated by Norma Jean's avowed love for Rob.

3+

**SOUP ON WHEELS**

Rob, Peck and Soup enter a local "Mardy Grah" contest. The book climaxes with the contest and subsequent winner. The humor and subplot action help create a highly entertaining book.

Pfeffer, Susan J.

4+

**KID POWER**

When her mother loses her job, Janie sets up her own manpower projects to earn money. She advertises no job too big or small. Her projects provide adventure as well as money.

4+

**JUST BETWEEN US**

Cass learns the fine art of keeping a secret with some help from her mother and her good friend Jenny.

Pinkwater, Daniel  
Manus

3+

**HOBOKEN CHICKEN EMERGENCY**

Henrietta, a two hundred and sixty-six pound chicken, is destined to become Thanksgiving dinner for the Bobowicz's family. Instead, she becomes the subject of a sixty thousand dollar chicken hunt and a friend of young Arthur Bobowicz

Platt, Kin

5+

**THE BOY WHO COULD MAKE HIMSELF DISAPPEAR**

The author tells a powerful and feeling story about a boy's problems and eventual breakdown following the divorce of his parents.

Raskin, Ellen

5+

**FIGGS AND PHANTOMS**

An unusual family presents Mona with problems and the reader with a rewarding trip into mystery and fantasy.

- Raskin, Ellen 5+ **THE WESTING GAME**  
Tabitha-Ruth "Turtle" Wexler is one of sixteen heirs of an eccentric multimillionaire. All are trying to solve a puzzle to gain their inheritance.
- Rawls, Wilson 3+ **SUMMER OF THE MONKEYS**  
Jay Berry Lee, a fourteen-year-old Oklahoma farm boy, has a crippled sister. Because of his desire for a pony and a gun, he attempts to catch twenty-nine monkeys living near his home to obtain reward money. His priorities become changed in the process.
- 5+ **WHERE THE RED FERN GROWS**  
A young boy growing up in the Ozarks treasures his two redbone hounds as he teaches them to be championship coon hunters before Dan is killed by a mountain lion and Little Ann dies of grief.
- Renner, Beverly 3+ **HIDE AWAY SUMMER**  
Addie lives with one parent, her brother with another. They spend the summer adventuring together in the "Hideaway," taking care of raccoons, scaring away hunters and surviving a flood.
- Ritcher, Conrad 5+ **LIGHT IN THE FOREST**  
True Son, a white boy captured by Delawares and raised as an Indian, is forced to return to his own white family whom he no longer understands or loves.
- Roberts, Willo 3+ **DON'T HURT LAURIE**  
During uncontrollable fits of rage, Annabelle beats her daughter, Laurie, periodically. The step brother, realizing the real cause of Laurie's injuries, takes her to the grandmother until the mother will get psychiatric help.

- Roberts, Willo 3+ **GIRL WITH THE SILVER EYES**  
Silver eyes and psychokinetic powers isolate ten-year-old Katie from her peers. She is able to talk to animals and move objects by thinking about them. Katie tries to find other children who share her gifts.
- Robertson, Keith 3+ **HENRY REED'S BABYSITTING SERVICE**  
Henry and Midge spend a summer operating a child-sitting service with unexpected results.
- Robertson, Mary 5 **TARANTULA AND THE RED CHIGGER**  
Eleven-year-old Ben is "Tarantula" and his friend Lonnie becomes known as "Red Chigger." To escape the boredom of Ben's grandmother's farm, they create imaginary circumstances with Lonnie as Ben's hero.
- Robinson, Barbara 4+ **THE BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER**  
The Herdman's children, absolutely the worst kids in the history of the world, discover the meaning of Christmas.
- Rockwell, Thomas 3+ **HOW TO EAT FRIED WORMS**  
Billy eats one worm a day for fifteen days to win a bet. Many people help him develop recipes for such delicacies as "worm loaf" and "Alsatian smothered worms."
- Rounds, Glen 4+ **BLIND OUTLAW**  
"Boy," a mute choreboy, is given a blind outlaw horse to tame. He rises to the occasion and accomplishes his goal.
- Sacks, Elizabeth Ann 3+ **JUST LIKE ALWAYS**  
Two girls meet in a hospital where both are being treated for spinal problems. They plot to avoid hospital food and to promote a romance between a doctor and a nurse. Outgoing Janie and fragile Courtney learn from each other as each faces surgery, one successfully, the other not.

- Sacks, Marilyn 4+ **A SECRET FRIEND**  
When Wendy finds another "best friend," Jessica invents one in a plot that backfires.
- Saint-Exupery, Antoine de 5+ **THE LITTLE PRINCE**  
A flier, who has made a forced landing in the Sahara, meets the Little Prince of Asteroid B612, who tells of his experiences on many planets.
- Saint John, Glory 3+ **WHAT I DID LAST SUMMER**  
Unable to escape to the woods, Ma and Pa, John and Junior turn off the telephone and electricity and camp at home. The boys have a super time with their tent, a stray skunk, a fish fry and beanhole beans. The author doesn't plague the reader with the grown-up problems inherent in a summer sans utilities.
- Schaeffer, Jack 5+ **OLD RAMON**  
This story is set in the Southwest. Old Ramon exposes a friend's son to some of the problems experienced by shepherders--snakes, sandstorms, desert heat, and river crossings. It is a story of a lad becoming a man.
- Sebestyen, Ouida 5+ **WORDS BY HEART**  
The path of advancement is a rough one for Lena and her family as the only black people in a small southwestern town in 1910.
- Seldon, George 3+ **CHESTER CRICKET'S NEW HOME**  
Chester Cricket loses his home and doesn't adjust well to his fellow animal friends' efforts to provide lodging for him.
- 3+ **THE CRICKET IN TIMES SQUARE**  
A musical cricket is befriended by a mouse, a boy and a cat in a New York subway and gains fame.

- Seredy, Kate 4+ **THE WHITE STAG**  
A legendary recounting of the founding of Hungary describing how a white stag and a red eagle lead the people to their promised land.
- Serrailier, Ian 5+ **THE SILVER SWORD**  
Three Polish children try to find their parents after the family becomes separated after the Nazi invasion in 1940.
- Shura, Mary Francis 3+ **MISTER WOLF AND ME**  
Set in the New England woods, the plot revolves around a German shepherd who is mistakenly identified as the pack leader of maurauding dogs. Even Miles, the dog's owner, is mistaken.
- Shyer, Marlene Fanta 5+ **WELCOME HOME, JELLYBEAN**  
Neil Oxley describes the profound family changes that occur when his profoundly retarded thirteen-year-old is released by the school to live at home. His eventual decision to move out is reached after a painful struggle.
- Singer, Isaacs B. 3+ **THE FOOLS OF CHELM AND THEIR HISTORY**  
Human truths are presented with simplicity and humor in this story about Chelmin explanations for inept leadership, wars, revolutions, and women's liberation.
- 4+ **WHEN SHLEMIEL WENT TO WARSAW AND OTHER STORIES**  
A collection of five Yiddish folk tales and three original stories. The humor won't escape most children. Recommended for read-aloud in the classroom.
- 2+ **FEARSOME INN**  
Doboshava, a witch, is married to Lapitut, a half man and half devil. Together they run an inn casting spells and torturing travelers aided by three beautiful, young girls. Three young men turn the situation around.

- Singer, Isaacs B. 4+ **ZLATCH THE GOAT AND OTHER STORIES**  
These seven tales encompass the Jewish folklore of Poland. Children can gain insight into human nature by reading these tales.
- Singer, Marilyn 4+ **TARANTULAS ON THE BRAIN**  
This is a book about Lizzie's obsession for a tarantula as a possession and her schemes to raise money to buy this unusual "pet".
- 5+ **IT CAN'T HURT FOREVER**  
Hospital procedures, fear, the need for parental support and companionship are explored in this story about a young girl's corrective heart surgery.
- Skurzynski, Gloria 4+ **LOST IN THE DEVIL'S DESERT**  
Kevin comes out alive after being lost in the desert for 48 hours. He uses survival skills such as drinking dew collected on a pile of rocks overnight.
- Sleator, William 3+ **INTO THE DREAM**  
Through a terrifying dream they have in common, Paul and Francine find a telepathic boy. Two men pursue the children in this suspenseful tale.
- Smith, Doris B. 3+ **KELLY'S CREEK**  
Kelly, a learning disabled child, gains confidence in himself when he is given the opportunity to display his unique knowledge about the marsh to his peers.
- 3+ **LAST WAS LLOYD**  
Lloyd, overweight and overprotected strike out king, fights to avoid being stereotyped.
- 3+ **A TASTE OF BLACKBERRIES**  
Because the protagonist thought Jamie, his best friend, was clowning around, he discovers Jamie had died from a bee sting. The protagonist is forced to come to grips with guilt and grief.

Snyder, Zilpha K.

4+

**THE EGYPT GAME**

Children of different nationalities play a game, invented by two girls in the group who are fascinated by their own make-believe and the country of Egypt. The outcome of the story is surprising.

5+

**THE HEADLESS CUPID**

David's new stepsister Amanda introduces the Stanley children to a poltergeist and other things occur.

4+

**WITCHES OF WORM**

Jessica finds a kitten which she names Worm. She believes the cat must be a witch because it makes her do dreadful things and think wrong thoughts.

Sorensen, Virginia

**MIRACLES ON MAPLE HILL**

Marly's family moves to grandmother's Pennsylvania farm because of her father's poor health.

Speare, Elizabeth

5+

**THE SIGN OF THE BEAVER**

Matt, a twelve-year-old, knows loneliness but also pride in his responsibilities to protect his family's cabin on the Maine frontier of 1768. Matt gains the friendship of the chief of the Beaver clan who wants Matt to teach his grandson, Attean, "white man's signs."

5+

**THE WITCH OF BLACKBIRD POND**

Kit Taylor, headstrong and undisciplined, is an embarrassment to her Puritan relatives. Her sincere attempt to aid a reputed witch brings her to trial as a suspect.

Sperry, Armstrong

5+

**CALL IT COURAGE**

Mafatu, son of a Polynesian chief, is terrified of the ocean which claimed his mother's life. He overcomes his fear of the sea in an epic journey which wins him the respect of his people.

- Steele, William 3+ **THE PERILOUS ROAD**  
The Brother's War divides Chris's mountain family. His brother joins the Yankees despite the northern raid on his father's farm while Chris spies for the Confederacy.
- Steig, William 3+ **ABEL'S ISLAND**  
A flood deposits Abel on an island. Steig's story tells of Abel's struggles to return to his wife in their secure mouse world.
- 3+ **CALEB AND KATE**  
Caleb and Kate are a devoted couple who quarrel, and Caleb is turned into a dog by a witch.
- Stevens, Carla 3+ **ANNA, GRANDPA AND THE BIG STORM**  
Grandpa and Anna are caught in the "L" train during a blizzard.
- Stevenson, Robert 5+ **TREASURE ISLAND**  
Louis  
A young boy narrates this colorful tale of pirates, buried treasure, and a nearly successful mutiny.
- Stoltz, Mary 5+ **CAT IN THE MIRROR**  
Erin is scorned by her classmates, is neglected by her mother at home, and has few friends. She is befriended by Seti, an Egyptian. While visiting the Metropolitan Museum, Erin hears her classmates saying cruel things about her and tries to run away, but strange things begin to happen.
- 4+ **A DOG ON BARKHAM STREET**  
Edward Frost, a fifth grader, has two major problems. His first is the bully next door who is constantly tormenting him and the second is convincing his parents he is responsible enough to have a dog.



Stoltz, Mary

3+

**FERRIS WHEEL**

Nine-year-old Polly's best friend moves to California. Her temper puts her at odds with her family. With the help of her family, she is eventually able to mature and aid an unhappy neighbor child.

4+

**THE NOONDAY FRIENDS**

Franny, who hates qualifying for a free school lunch ticket, doesn't have enough to wear and must hurry home after school to care for her little brother because her father has trouble keeping a job and her mother works. Franny has difficulty in making friends and desires to make acquaintances.

Talbot, Charlene Joy

4+

**THE GREAT RAT ISLAND ADVENTURE**

Joel discovers a runaway girl so hungry she swipes bird's eggs to eat. They are trapped on Little Rat Island during a hurricane.

Taylor, Mildred

4+

**ROLL OF THUNDER, HEAR MY CRY**

The Depression took its toll on many families, but the Logans are determined to remain independent and resist a white plantation owner's plan to acquire their land. It is the efforts of Cassie and her brothers who wage the battle for success.

4+

**SONG OF THE TREES**

Cassie cannot stand to hear the foreign sounds of steel cutting down the beautiful forest behind their home. It is her father who saves the family plot of trees.

Taylor, Theodore

4+

**TROUBLE WITH TUCK**

Helen persists until she finds a guide dog for her blind dog Tuck.

- Thomas, Jane 3+ **COME BACK DOG**  
A moving story of Daniel who grieving over his dog's loss, befriends a dog near death, but he experiences problems in keeping the dog. Daniel's parents help him deal with his anger and frustration.
- Thurber, James 3+ **THE GREAT QUILLLOW**  
The tiny toymaker takes on the giant Hunders to save his neighbors and the town.
- 4+ **MANY MOONS**  
The princess demands the moon to heal her of her illness. Only the jester can find a solution to this demand.
- Tolkier, J. R. R. 4+ **THE HOBBITT**  
The HOBBITT is a precursor of the LORD OF THE RINGS trilogy. It can be read as a delightful child's story of elves and dwarves or as profound and scholarly reflection on life.
- Townsend, John R. 5+ **THE INTRUDER**  
Sixteen-year-old Arnold Haithwaite must fight alone when a plausible stranger claiming the same name tries to take over "Dad's" Property.
- Travers, Pamela 4+ **MARY POPPINS**  
An east wind blew in Mary Poppins to become a nursemaid for the Banks family. Life for this British family was never to be the same. Filled with fun filled fanciful adventures.
- Twain, Mark 5+ **THE ADVENTURES OF TOM SAWYER**  
Tom Sawyer is a typical, fun-loving midwestern boy living at the end of the nineteenth century.
- 5+ **THE PRINCE AND THE PAUPER**  
Two boys exchange roles for a brief and revealing education.

- Verne, Jules 5+ **TWENTY THOUSAND LEAGUES UNDER THE SEA**  
A sea monster sighted in 1867 turns out to be a submarine very similar to modern day vessels.
- Voigt, Cythia 5+ **DICEY'S SONG**  
In this sequel to **HEMLOCK** Dicey learns Gram will relieve her of sole responsibility for her younger sister and brothers so she can develop other interests. Her mother's death solidifies this unique family.
- 5+ **HEMLOCK**  
Abandoned by their mother, Dicey and her sister and brothers search for "rich" Aunt Cilla only to discover that she had died and must seek another protector.
- Wallace, Barbara 3+ **CONTEST KID STRIKES AGAIN**  
Flapping chickens, loose marbles, a gentlemen's gentlemen who coaches a kids' soccer team, and of course, Harvey Small and his pals make this a hilarious sequel to Hawkins.
- 3+ **PEPPERMINTS IN THE PARLOR**  
Emily moves to San Francisco to live with her aunt and uncle. She finds their home full of frightened elderly residents tyrannized by a cruel woman. Emily must rescue her aunt and uncle from this fraud.
- Wallace, Bill 3+ **DOG CALLED KITTY**  
Ricky was afraid of dogs because he had been attacked by a rabid stray. The mongrel was frightened away by the barn cats. The story tells how they became companions.
- Week, Mary H. 3+ **THE JAZZ MAN**  
Lame and lonely Zeke lives in a Harlam apartment. Due to the circumstances of poverty, his mother moves away and eventually his father disappears. The next door jazz pianist even moves leaving Zeke abandoned.

- Wells, H. G. 5+ **THE WAR OF THE WORLDS**  
A Martian invasion, which in a 1938 radio adaptation caused real panic throughout the United States, is the subject of this early science fiction story.
- 5+ **THE TIME MACHINE**  
A time traveller finds society of the future divided into the Eloi, who have conquered nature and ceased to struggle, and the Morlock--descendants of the proletariat--who have become predators.
- Westal, Robert 5+ **THE MACHINE GUNNERS**  
Set in northern England during World War II, the town is strafed daily by German planes. Five children and a retarded adult establish an underground shelter equipped with a machine gun and shelter a German soldier. This suspenseful story combines pathos and humor.
- 5+ **THE WIND EYE**  
The step parents and three children live on the English coast. While on vacation the children discover an old boat which becomes a time machine returning them to St. Cathbert's period. An interesting story of family relationships abound in this book.
- White, E. B. 3+ **CHARLOTTE'S WEB**  
Wilbur, the pig, is saved by a girl who talks to animals and Charlotte, a spider who weaves strange messages.
- 3+ **STUART LITTLE**  
A human family's second son is literally a mouse. White writes about Stuart, the mouse, and his humorous adventures.
- 3+ **TRUMPET OF THE SWAN**  
Louis, a cygnet born with no voice, struggles to win the love of Serena and pay his father's debt in this tale of courage, freedom and love.

- Wier, Ester 5+ **THE LONER**
- This story is about a loneless waif who searches for his identity. He meets a lonely Montana female shepherd who helps him in his struggle to adjust to his new life. After slaying a grizzly bear, he is given the name David. Most importantly, he gains confidence in himself.
- Wilder, Laura Ingalls 4+ **LITTLE HOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE**
- This is one of several books on the adventures of the Ingalls family during the midwest frontier days. Other books included in this series are: FARMER BOY; LITTLE HOUSE IN THE BIG WOODS; THE LONG WINTER; ON THE BANKS OF PLUM CREEK; AND BY THE SHORES OF SILVER LAKE.
- Wong, Jade Snow 5+ **FIFTH CHINESE DAUGHTER**
- This is a delightful account by an American-born Chinese girl of her family life in San Francisco, her education, and her career as a creative artist.
- Wyss, Johann 5+ **SWISS FAMILY ROBINSON**
- An English family is marooned on a deserted island where they salvage what they can from their wrecked ship, build a tree house, and set up a survival existence.
- Yep, Laurence 5+ **CHILD OF THE OWL**
- In this haunting story, a Chinese girl learns that she may never feel totally at ease as an American or a Chinese. Casey lives with her grandmother in San Francisco's Chinatown where she learns the legend of "the child of the owl."
- 5+ **DRAGONWINGS**
- A perceptive view of the Western World from the eyes of a young Chinese is given in this story set in San Francisco at the turn of the century. It is based on the true experiences of a young Chinese who built and flew a biplane in 1909.

Yep, Laurence

6+

SEA GLASS

Craig Chin is torn between fitting in with his American classmates who think of him as a fat foreigner, and with the Chinese community, he is viewed as an American.

6+

SWEETWATER

Tyree, a fifth generation Earth person, frontier of 1768. Matt gains the friendship of

Yolen, Jane

3+

COMMANDER TOAD IN SPACE

In this spoof of space fiction, Commander Toad leads his crew in an exploration of an unknown planet and a narrow escape from Deep Wader.