



*Notable Social
Studies Trade
Books for Young
People*

2016



About the List and Criteria for Selection

The books that appear in this annotated list were evaluated and selected by a Book Review Committee appointed by the National Council for the Social Studies (NCSS) and assembled in cooperation with the Children’s Book Council (CBC). NCSS and CBC have cooperated on this annual bibliography since 1972. Books selected for this bibliography were published in 2015 and were written for children in grades K-12. The Book Review Committee looks for books that emphasize human relations, represent a diversity of groups and are sensitive to a broad range of cultural experiences, present an original theme or a fresh slant on a traditional topic, are easily readable and of high literary quality, have a pleasing format, and, where appropriate, include illustrations that enrich the text. Each book is read by several reviewers, and books are included on the list by committee assent; the annotations do not necessarily reflect the judgment of the entire committee.

Publishers’ addresses are available in standard reference works such as *Children’s Books in Print* (R.R. Bowker) and *Literary Market Place* (R.R. Bowker), and from CBC. CBC’s Members List may be downloaded at www.cbcbooks.org/membership/member-list. Credits for permission to reproduce the cover art included in this supplement are printed on page 16.


Titles are arranged by broad subject categories. Although many are appropriate for more than one category, they have been placed where their usefulness in social studies education appears greatest. Annotators have also indicated the thematic strands (shown below) from *National Curriculum Standards for Social Studies: A Framework for Teaching, Learning, and Assessment*, to which the book relates.

Thematic Strands of the NCSS Curriculum Standards for Social Studies

- 1 CULTURE
- 2 TIME, CONTINUITY, AND CHANGE
- 3 PEOPLE, PLACES, AND ENVIRONMENTS
- 4 INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT AND IDENTITY
- 5 INDIVIDUALS, GROUPS, AND INSTITUTIONS
- 6 POWER, AUTHORITY, AND GOVERNANCE
- 7 PRODUCTION, DISTRIBUTION, AND CONSUMPTION
- 8 SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND SOCIETY
- 9 GLOBAL CONNECTIONS
- 10 CIVIC IDEALS AND PRACTICES

Key to a Notable Listing

1. The titles marked with an asterisk are Selectors’ Choices—books that individual committee members responded to with particular enthusiasm. 2. Title: Subtitle 3. Author(s) 4. Illustrator
5. Publisher. 6. Number of pages 7. International Standard Book Numbers (ISBNs) are included for all available editions (trade, library, and paperback). The symbol “F” indicates that a paperback edition is forthcoming. A publisher’s name in parentheses indicates that a different publisher will issue the paperback edition. 8. Price as of January 2014 9. Reading levels: P: Primary (K-2), I: Intermediate (3-5), M: Middle (6-8), H: High (9-12). They are intended as guidelines and are not meant to limit the potential use of titles. 10. Brief descriptive annotation, plus notations of the presence of additional textual materials, if any. 11. Initials indicating the reviewer responsible for the annotation (see list at right). 12. Thematic strands of the curriculum standards for social studies in order of relevancy (see list above).

1. 	2. Buffalo Sisters.	3. Jim Morrison.	4. Illustrated with various photographs.
5. Whiffman Press.	6. 56 pp.	7. Trade ISBN 0-696-67321-1, Library ISBN 0-696-64213-X, F (Wannamaker)	8. \$12.89.
9. (M, H)	10. The true story of sisters Florence and Ester Weeks’s childhood on the American frontier.	11. (ABM)	12. 3 5

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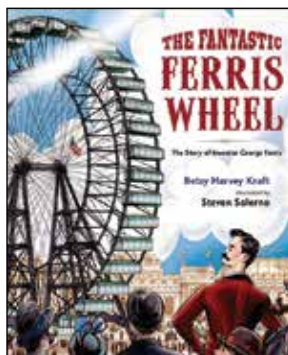
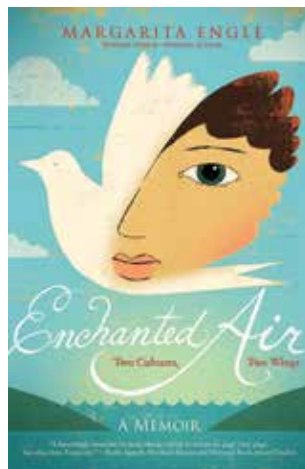
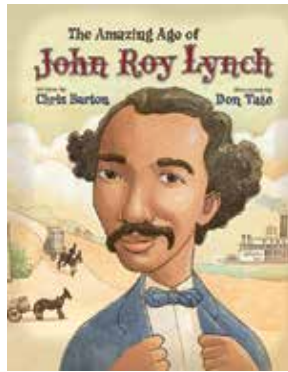
Abe Lincoln: His Wit and Wisdom from A-Z. Alan Schroeder. Illustrated by John O'Brien. Holiday House. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-823-42420-7, \$17.95. Paperback ISBN 978-0823435753 \$7.99. (I) This informational ABC book acts as a biography of sorts, showing that not all life stories are told along a timeline and that Abraham Lincoln was about more than just the Gettysburg Address. (QPR) ③ ⑥ ⑩

The Amazing Age of John Roy Lynch. Chris Barton. Illustrated by Don Tate. Eerdmans Books for Young Readers. 50pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-802-85379-0, \$17.00. (I, M). John Roy Lynch was born a slave but after emancipation was able to educate himself, find work, and become a U.S. congressman in 10 years. This beautifully illustrated biography tells his amazing story. Historical Note, Author's Note, Illustrator's Note, Timeline, Further Reading. (AMW). ⑤ ⑩ ③

Beatrix Potter and Her Paint Box. David McPhail. Henry Holt, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-805-09170-0, \$17.99. (P) This book chronicles Beatrix's early life and her love of nature, animals, and art, and shows how these intersect in the creation of her endearing characters—still popular to this day. (ML) ④

Becoming Maria: Love and Chaos in the South Bronx. Sonia Manzano. Scholastic Inc. 272pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-545-62184-7, \$17.99. (H) Before she was Sesame Street's "Maria," Sonia Manzano was navigating the poverty and abuse of 1950s New York City. With creativity, culture, and humor, she finds a way to survive and even thrive. (QPR) ④ ⑤ ⑦

The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind. William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer. Illustrated by Elizabeth Zunon. Dial Books for Young Readers. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-803-73511-8, \$17.99. Paperback ISBN 978-0-147-51042-6, \$8.99. (M, H) A new edition brings this true story of perseverance to younger readers. William's experiences of drought and famine in Malawi spark his scientific and technological inquiries that are then fueled by determination and love of community. Epilogue. (JG) ⑧ ③



Dear Mr. Washington. Lynn Cullen. Illustrated by Nancy Carpenter. Dial Books. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-803-73038-0, \$16.99. (P) Told through imagined letters of apology from young Charlotte Stuart, this humorous picture book details the possible mayhem encountered by George Washington as he posed for the famous Gilbert Stuart portrait. Author's Note. (LFS) ② ③ ④

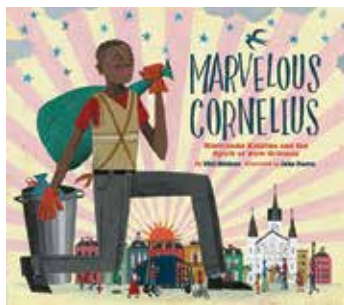
Draw What You See: The Life and Art of Benny Andrews. Kathleen Benson. Illustrated by Benny Andrews. Clarion Books/Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Books for Young Readers. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-544-10487-7, \$16.99. (P, I) Benny Andrews considered himself a "people's painter," and this informative narrative, illustrated with vibrant paintings, recounts what he saw and experienced growing up—cotton fields, the hardship of black farm workers, segregation, and demonstrations for civil rights. Author's Note, Timeline. (LL) ① ② ⑤

Enchanted Air: Two Cultures, Two Wings: A Memoir. Margarita Engle. Atheneum Books for Young Readers. 208pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-481-43522-2, \$17.99. Paperback ISBN 978-1-481-43523-9, \$9.99. (H) Engle shares a memoir of her first 14 years in the United States during the Cold War as a Cuban-American. Engle conveys through poetic verse how she grappled with two cultures, travel bans, acceptance, and patriotism. Contents, Cold War Timeline, Author's Note, Excerpt from Simple Verses. (LEM) ② ⑨ ①

The Fantastic Ferris Wheel: The Story of Inventor George Ferris. Betsy Harvey Kraft. Illustrated by Steven Salerno. Christy Ottaviano Books / Henry Holt, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 42pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-627-79072-7, \$17.99 (P, I) The compelling story of the Ferris wheel and its intrepid inventor. Excellent back matter and source list extend the topic. (JAW) ② ④ ⑧

Frederick's Journey: The Life of Frederick Douglass. Doreen Rappaport. Illustrated by London Ladd. Disney—Jump At The Sun. 48pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-4231-1438-3, \$17.99. (P, I) This is an eloquently written book for young learners on the life of Frederick Douglass, with skillful use of his quotations to enliven the story. Author and Illustrator Notes, Timeline, Source List. (JAW) ② ⑤ ④

Funny Bones: Posada and His Day of the Dead Calaveras. *Duncan Tonatiuh.* Abrams. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-419-71647-8, \$18.95. (I) The life of Mexican artist Jose Guadalupe Posada is explored through whimsical illustrations that blend Posada's original works with Tonatiuh's. Posada is best known for his calaveras (skeletons), which have become synonymous with the Day of the Dead festival. Author's Note, Glossary, Bibliography, Art Credits, Where You Can See Posada's Work in the U.S.A. (LEM) 9 4 1



Marvelous Cornelius: Hurricane Katrina and the Spirit of New Orleans. *Phil Bildner.* Illustrated by John Parra. Chronicle Books. 44pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-452-12578-7, \$16.99. (P, I) A whimsical tale of Cornelius Washington, a sanitation worker in New Orleans before and after Hurricane Katrina strikes the city. This inspiring story and accompanying illustrations show the difference one person can make in a community. Author's Note, Pronunciation Guide. (ATC) 3 7

Gordon Parks: How the Photographer Captured Black and White America. *Carole Boston Weatherford.* Illustrated by Jamey Christoph. Albert Whitman & Company. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-807-53017-7, \$16.99. (P, I) Concise text and engaging illustrations show how Gordon Parks, the first African American director in Hollywood, used artistic talent and determination to stand up for a better America. An About Gordon Parks Page, Author's Note. (JG) 2 5 10

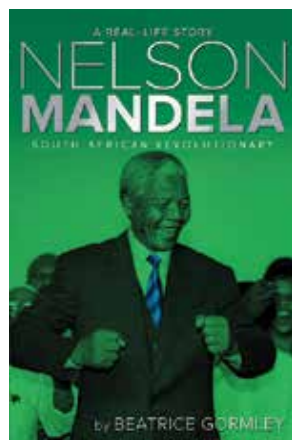


Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales: The Underground Abductor. *Nathan Hale.* Amulet Books. 128pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-419-71536-5, \$12.95. (I, M) A graphic novel biography of Harriet Tubman introduces readers to the abolitionist movement, including sidebar stories about Nat Turner and Frederick Douglass. Bibliography. (QPR) 5 3 2

Heroes of History. *Anita Ganeri.* Illustrated by Joe Todd Stanton. Little Bee Books. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-499-80079-1, \$11.99. (I, M) A fun introduction to some of history's most amazing and extraordinary people. With chapter titles such as Rebels and Trail Blazers, this informative text blends interesting facts with fictionalized diary entries, making it accessible for younger readers and an entertaining source for older readers. Glossary, Index, Timeline. (LL) 2 3 4 5 6 10

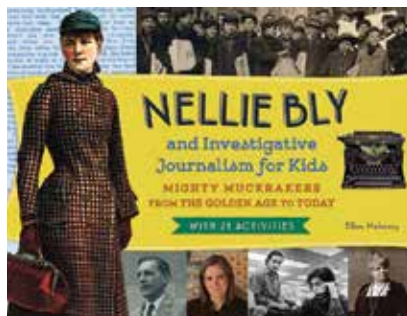
Nellie Bly and Investigative Journalism for Kids: Mighty Muckrakers from the Golden Age to Today. *Ellen Mahoney.* Chicago Review Press. 144pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-61374-997-5, \$16.95. (I, M) This fascinating informational book is skillfully illustrated with primary sources about Bly and her counterparts (Riis, Tarbell, Wells, Sinclair, and modern muckrakers). Includes activities for young learners. Timeline, Bibliography, Websites, Index. (JAW) 3 5 6 10

The Inventor's Secret: What Thomas Edison Told Henry Ford. *Suzanne Slade.* Illustrated by Jennifer Black Reinhardt. Charlesbridge. 48pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-58089-667-2, \$16.95. (P) Alternating between the two inventors, this informational text reveals a fascinating story of innovation, determination, and friendship. Details about Inventions, Source Notes, Timeline, Author's Note, Illustrator's Note, Bibliography. (LFS) 2 7 8



Nelson Mandela: South African Revolutionary. *Beatrice Gormley.* Aladdin/Simon & Schuster. 256pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-481-42059-4, \$17.99. Paperback ISBN 978-1-481-42060-0, \$6.99. (I, M) This comprehensive biography makes Mandela's powerful story engaging and accessible to young readers. The detailed text and photographs portray the complexity of South African history. Timeline, Glossary, Sources. (JG) 3 4 6

Jump Back, Paul: The Life and Poems of Paul Laurence Dunbar. *Sally Derby.* Illustrated by Sean Qualls. Candlewick Press, 128pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-763-66070-3, \$16.99. (M) Lively writing and select poems from Dunbar, the son of freed slaves, create a compelling biography of this nineteenth-century American poet. Author's Note, Chronology, Source Notes and Side Trips on the Research Journey, Bibliography. (JAW) 2 4 5



Noah Webster: Man of Many Words. *Catherine Reef.* Clarion Books/Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Books for Young Readers. 224pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-544-12983-2, \$18.99. (M, H) This informational text skillfully stitches together primary sources and historical evidence to create a comprehensive, well-written biography of the opinionated, determined, writer, patriot, and dictionary author, Noah Webster. Endnotes, Bibliography, Webster's Works, Index. (JAW) 1 2 4 5 9 10

Poet: The Remarkable Story of George Moses

Horton. Don Tate. Peachtree Publishers. 36pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-561-45825-7, \$16.95. (I)

This beautifully illustrated biography tells the story of an enslaved boy who taught himself to read and became an accomplished poet.

Sources, Author's Note. (JAW) ① ④ ⑤

Queen of the Diamond: The Lizzie Murphy

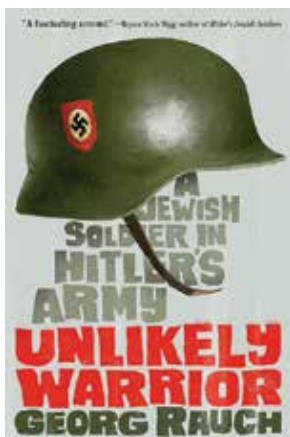
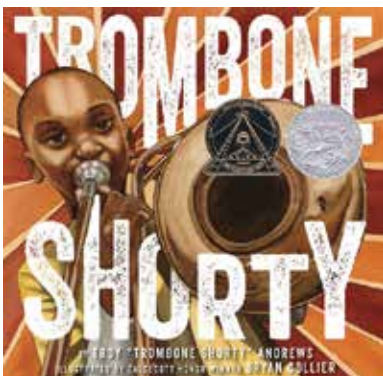
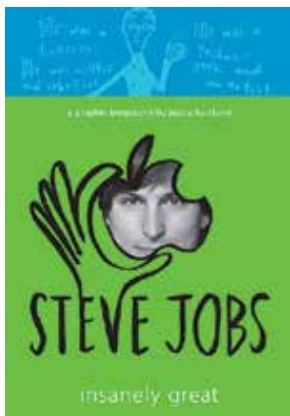
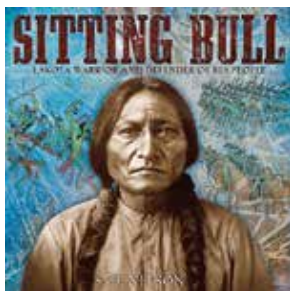
Story. Emily Arnold McCully. Margaret Ferguson Books / Farrar Straus Giroux, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-374-30007-4, \$17.99. (P, I) In the early 1900s, Lizzie Murphy played baseball at a time when most girls didn't. She eventually landed a spot on a professional team and fought to earn the same wage as the male players. Author's Note, Sources. (ATC) ① ② ⑤

Sally Ride: A Photobiography of America's Pioneering Women in Space.

Tam O'Shaughnessy. Roaring Brook Press, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 160pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-596-43994-8, \$19.99. (I, M) The life of America's first female astronaut is chronicled in this informational text that highlights the importance of Ride's work in space exploration and in breaking barriers for women. Index, Timeline. (ML) ② ④ ⑧

Shadow Catcher: How Edward S. Curtis Documented American Indian Dignity and Beauty. Michael Burgan. Compass Point Books, a Capstone imprint. 64pp. Library ISBN 978-0-7565-4992-3, \$24.95. Paperback ISBN 978-0-7565-4998-5, \$8.95. (M, H) Edward Curtis dedicated his life to photographing American Indians during the early twentieth century. Included in this biography are the lasting images he created, details of his craft, and some counter perspectives of his work. Timeline, Glossary, Additional Resources, Common Core Questions, Source Notes, Select Bibliography, Index. (JG) ① ② ⑧

Sitting Bull: Lakota Warrior and Defender of His People. S.D. Nelson. Abrams Books for Young Readers. 64pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-419-70731-5, \$19.95. (I, M) A beautiful and riveting story of Sitting Bull, told in first person. Ample primary sources enhance the information about Sitting Bull's life. Timeline, Author's Note, Endnotes, Bibliography, Index. (JAW) ② ③ ⑤



Steve Jobs: Insanely Great. Jessie Hartland. Schwartz & Wade. 240pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-307-98295-7, \$22.95. Ember. Paperback ISBN 978-0-307-98298-8, \$10.99 (I, M) A graphic novel of Steve Jobs's life and the story behind Apple Computers. This is a story of dedication, success and failure, and Jobs's continuing legacy. Bibliography. (ATC) ④ ⑧

Swing Sisters: The Story of the International Sweethearts of Rhythm. Karen Deans. Illustrated by Joe Cepeda. Holiday House. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-823-41970-8, \$16.95. (P, I) In 1939, an all-female, African American swing band was formed. Over the years, women of various cultures joined, creating one of the first integrated music groups. The Sweethearts traveled the world and defied racist and sexist barriers. Author's Note, Bibliography. (LEM) ④ ② ⑩

✿ **Terrible Typhoid Mary: A True Story of the Deadliest Cook in America.** Susan Bartoletti. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Books for Young Readers. 240pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-544-31367-5, \$17.99. (I, M) This biography tells the true story of identifying and containing a carrier of one of the most contagious diseases in history. Mary Mallon was a shy cook and didn't believe she was spreading typhoid fever. Afterword, Photo Album, Timeline, Bibliography, Index. (ATC) ③ ⑥ ⑤

Trombone Shorty. Troy Andrews. Illustrated by Bryan Collier. Abrams Books for Young Readers. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-419-71465-8, \$17.95. (P, I) The author's resourcefulness and passion for following his dream are evident at a very young age in this picture book autobiography that celebrates the rich culture and music of New Orleans. Author's Note. Illustrator's Note. (LFS) ① ② ③ ④

Unlikely Warrior: A Jewish Soldier in Hitler's Army. Georg Rauch. Farrar Straus Giroux, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 352pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-374-30142-2, \$17.99. Square Fish. Paperback ISBN 978-1-250-07370-9, \$9.99. (H) This moving World War II first-person memoir portrays the horror and tragedy of Hitler's forces, while revealing the intense and personal challenges of a Jewish soldier serving for the Reich. (CLC) ⑥ ③ ⑤

Voice of Freedom: Fannie Lou Hammer: Spirit of the Civil Rights Movement Carole Boston Weatherford. Illustrated by Ekua Holmes. Candlewick Press. 56pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-763-66531-9, \$17.99. (I, M) A series of lyrical poems share the first-person biographical account of Fannie Lou Hammer from childhood to activism. Multimedia collage illustrations magnify the depth of Hammer's bold spirit, growth, voice, and contributions. Author's Note, Timeline, Source Notes, Bibliography. (LEM) ② ⑤ ⑥ ⑩

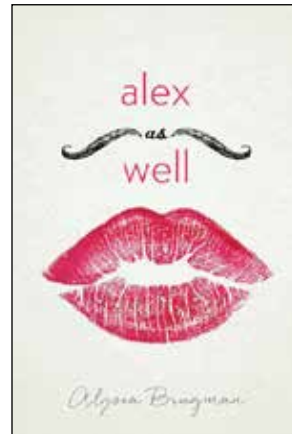
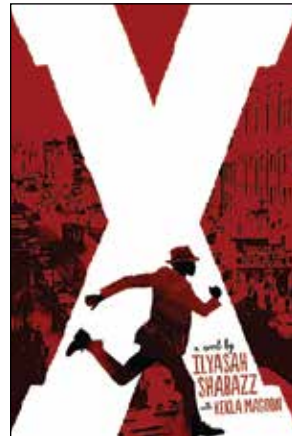
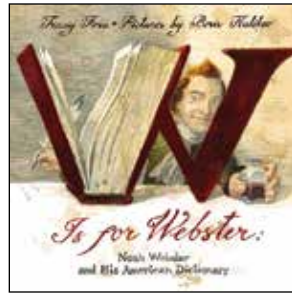
W is for Webster: Noah Webster and His American Dictionary. Tracy Fern. Illustrated by Boris Kulikov. Margaret Ferguson Books / Farrar Straus Giroux, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-374-38240-7, \$17.99. (P) The interesting life of the renowned lexicographer and his ambitious undertaking to create an American dictionary is told through informative text and delightful illustrations. Author's Note. (LFS) ③ ④

X: A Novel. Kekla Magoon; Ilyasah Shabazz. Candlewick Press. 384pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-763-66967-6, \$16.99. (H) Told by one of Malcolm X's daughters, this novel chronicles Malcolm's teenage years through his conversion to Islam in 1948. Timeline, Malcolm's Family Tree, Historical Context: 1925 to 1965, Further Reading (ML) ② ④ ⑩

CONTEMPORARY CONCERNS

Alex as Well. Alyssa Brugman. Henry Holt, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 224pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-627-79014-7, \$16.99. Square Fish. Paperback ISBN 978-1-250-07363-1, \$9.99. (H) Alex is an independent adolescent. This novel follows Alex's uphill battle to convince the world around her that she is not a boy, but that she's a girl. (ATC) ④ ⑤

All American Boys. Jason Reynolds and Brendan Kiely. Atheneum/Caitlyn Dlouhy Books/Simon & Schuster. 320pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-481-46333-1, \$17.99. Paperback ISBN 978-1-481-46334-8, \$9.99. (H) Two authors tell a story of violent police brutality from two teens' (one black, one white) perspectives. Set in present-day, the school and community wrestle with racial tension. (LEM) ⑥ ⑩ ⑤ ②



Can We Help? Kids Volunteering to Help Their Communities. George Ancona. Candlewick Press. 48pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-763-67367-3, \$16.99. (P, I) Looking to launch a service-learning project? This informational book has real world examples of kids working to make a difference in their communities. Author's Note. (ATC) ⑤ ⑩

Crenshaw. Katherine Applegate. Feiwel & Friends, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 256pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-250-04323-8, \$16.99. (I) In this candid treatment of a tough topic, 10-year-old Jackson learns to deal with hunger and homelessness as his well-intentioned parents make one bad financial decision after another. (LFS) ④ ⑦ ⑩

Dreams of Freedom: In Words and Pictures. Amnesty International. Frances Lincoln Children's Books/Quarto Children's Publishing USA. 48pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-847-80453-2, \$18.99. (P, I) This book combines exquisite artwork and renderings of the term "freedom" with quotes from notable human rights activists. (RH) ⑤ ⑨ ⑩

George. Alex Gino. Scholastic Press. 240pp. Trade ISBN 978-0545812542, \$16.99. (I) George has a secret, but her desire to be Charlotte in the class play, *Charlotte's Web*, pushes her to be open about who she really is. (ATC) ④ ⑤

I am a Bear. Jean-François Dumont. Eerdmans Books for Young Readers. 34pp. Trade ISBN 978-0802854476, \$16.00. (P) The bear lives on the street, hungry and homeless and with no compassion from the people who walk past him each day. He loses hope, until one day, a small girl notices him as she walks with her father. Her kindness changes his world. (SD) ③ ⑩

I'm New Here. Anne Sibley O'Brien. Charlesbridge. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-5809-612-2 \$16.95. (I) Maria, Jin, and Fatimah are new to the U.S. and to their schools. They make new friends while navigating a new culture and language. Author's Note. (SD) ⑩ ①

Into The Dangerous World. Julie Chibbaro. Illustrated by JM Superville Sovak. Viking Books for Young Readers. 352pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-803-73910-9, \$17.99. (M, H) This is the riveting story of a young artist pulled in different directions by her talents and those who would shape it. This lyrically written book explores the world of street art and classical art and the chasm between them, with illustrations that communicate as vividly as the text. (JAW) ① ④

An Invisible Thread Christmas Story: A true story based on the #1 *New York Times* bestseller. *Laura Schroff and Alex Tresniowski. Illustrated by Barry Root. Little Simon/Simon & Schuster. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-1481419307, \$17.99. (P)* This picture book begins with the author's real life decision to help a young, hungry boy on the street. The two develop a life-long friendship based in kindness and gratitude. Authors' Notes. (LL) 4

Paper Things. *Jennifer Richard Jacobson. Candlewick Press. 384pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-763-66323-0, \$16.99. (M)* This moving novel tells the story of adolescent siblings struggling with homelessness after the death of their parents. (RH) 4

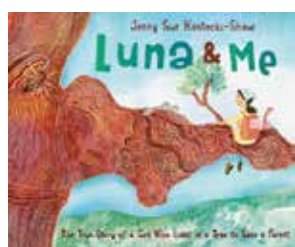
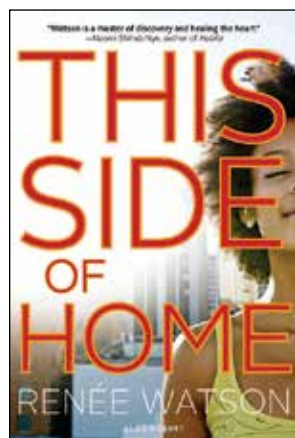
The Last Leaves Falling. *Sarah Benwell. Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers. 368pp. Trade ISBN 978-1481430654, \$17.99. (H)* In this beautifully written novel, 17-year-old Sora shares his thoughts as he grapples with the fact that he is going to die, having been diagnosed with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease), and then realizing that he wants to die with dignity. Glossary (LL) 4

Last Stop on Market Street. *Matt De La Peña. Illustrated by Christian Robinson. G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-399-25774-2, \$16.99. (P)* CJ rides the bus across town with his grandmother, asking many questions that highlight their economic circumstances ("Why don't we have a car?"), as they head to a soup kitchen to help others who have even less. (LFS) 3 4 5 10

This Side of Home. *Renée Watson. Bloomsbury USA. 336pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-599-90668-3, \$17.99. Paperback ISBN 978-1-619-63930-0, \$9.99. (M, H)* This modern-day novel follows African American twin sisters as they grow up and confront change and gentrification in their neighborhood. Suddenly their community, friendships, and even their own relationship seems different. (ATC) 4 2

ENVIRONMENT/ ENERGY/ECOLOGY

Luna and Me: The True Story of a Girl Who Lived in a Tree to Save a Forest. *Jenny Sue Kostecki-Shaw. Christy Ottaviano Books / Henry Holt, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-805-09976-8, \$18.99. (P, I)* This inspiring



Wangari Maathai: The Woman Who Planted Millions of Trees. *Franck Prévot. Illustrated by Aurélie Fronty. Charlesbridge. 45pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-580-89626-9, \$17.95. (I)* This biography of Nobel laureate Wangari Maathai describes her lifelong efforts to save Kenya's forests. Timeline, Map, Kenya Today, Websites. (RH) 3 5 9

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true story will show you how one person's determined efforts can indeed make a difference in protecting our environment. Author's Note. (ML) 4 7 10

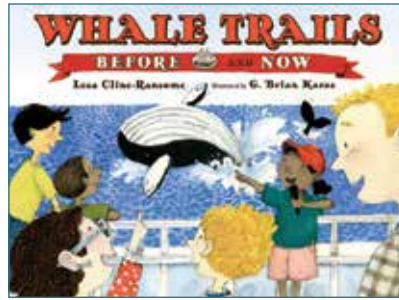
One Plastic Bag: Isatou Ceesay and the Recycling Women of the Gambia. *Miranda Paul. Illustrated by Elizabeth Zunon. Millbrook Press, a division of Lerner Publishing Group. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-4677-1608-6, \$19.99. (I)* This informational picture book demonstrates how the small actions of individuals can help overcome large community or even world problems. Small steps have great results. Author's Note, Glossary, Timeline, Further Reading. (QPR) 3 2 7

Tiger Boy. *Mitali Perkins. Illustrated by Jamie Hogan. Charlesbridge. 144pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-58089-660-3, \$14.95. (I)* Neel loves his home in the Sunderbans, especially the nature preserve, which is why he postpones studying to search for a lost tiger cub before poachers find her. The story prompts conversations about the environment, economic power, and activism. Author's Note, Organizations Working with Bengal Tigers, Organizations Working to Improve Life in the Sunderbans, Glossary (LEM) 3 9 7

Time for Cranberries. *Lisl H. Detlefsen. Illustrated by Jed Henry. Roaring Brook Press, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-626-72098-5, \$17.99. (P)* A young boy guides readers through the cranberry harvesting process on his family's small farm in Wisconsin. Accompanied by detailed and accurate illustrations, the story helps young readers understand the lives on family farms and the source of grocery store produce. Recipes, Author's Note and Glossary. (JG) 7

Untamed: The Wild Life of Jane Goodall. *Anita Silvey. National Geographic Children's Books. 96pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-426-31518-3, \$18.99. (M)* Jane Goodall's legendary life and work are recounted in this informational text, filled with photographs and connections to science and geography. Author's Note, Timeline, Maps, Index, Find Out More. (QPR) 3 9 8

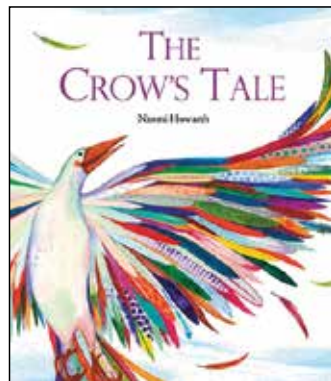
Whale Trails, Before and Now. Lesa Cline-Ransome. Illustrated by G. Brian Karas. Christy Ottaviano Books / Henry Holt, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-8050-9642-2, \$17.99. (P, I) Readers compare and contrast today's tourist adventures of whale watching to the whale trade of yesteryear. This text is rich with crafting techniques and excellent illustrations. Author's Note, Glossary, Further Reading. (CLC) ① ⑦ ③



I Will Always Write Back. Caitlin Alifirenka and Martin Ganda with Liz Welch. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers. 400pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-316-24131-1, \$18.00. Paperback ISBN 978-0-316-24133-5, \$9.99. (M, H) This book chronicles the correspondence of two young pen pals, a young girl from the United States, and a young boy from Zimbabwe. Their connection teaches them about each other's daily life and culture and ultimately transforms their lives. (ML) ① ⑨

FOLKTALES

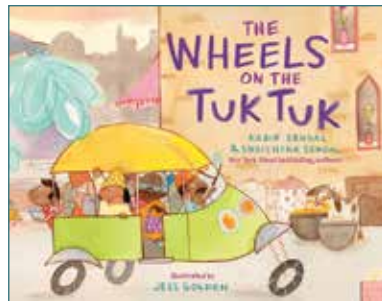
The Crow's Tale. Naomi Howarth. Frances Lincoln Children's Books/Quarto Children's Publishing USA. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-847-80740-3, \$18.99. (P, I) Based on a Lenape Native American legend, this beautiful picture book tells a story of courage and sacrifice, as a once-colorful crow gives up his feathers for his friends' lives. (QPR) ⑦



Symphony for the City of the Dead: Dmitri Shostakovich and the Siege of Leningrad. M.T. Anderson. Candlewick Press. 464pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-763-66818-1, \$25.99. (H) This masterpiece of a biography is more than the story of an amazing musician and his greatest work; it also captures the Russian people in a stark moment of history and shows how music can inspire and console. Primary sources are beautifully integrated throughout. Author's Note, Source Notes, Bibliography, Index. (JAW) ② ③ ④ ⑥ ⑨

GEOGRAPHY/PEOPLE/ PLACES

Ancient Egypt (Ken Jennings' Junior Genius Guides). Ken Jennings. Illustrated by Mike Lowery. Little Simon/Simon & Schuster. 160pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-481-42953-5, \$19.99. (I) Another informational book in this engaging series from Jennings, this title provides all the basics about ancient Egypt in a lively, kid-friendly format. Lowery's illustrations nicely fit the book's tone. (JAW) ① ② ③ ⑥ ⑨



✿ **The Wheels on the Tuk Tuk.** Kabir Sehgal and Surishtha Sehgal Illustrated by Jess Golden. Beach Lane Books/ Simon & Schuster. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-481-44831-4, \$17.99. (P) Readers will recognize the rhythm of a well-known children's song as they make their way through this beautifully illustrated book. Various aspects of Indian culture are introduced in a delightful format. Author's Note, Glossary. (SD) ① ③

Atlas of Adventures. Rachel Williams. Illustrated by Lucy Letherland. Wide Eyed Editions/Quarto Children's Publishing USA. 85pp. Trade ISBN 9781847806956, \$30.00. (P, I). This large, beautiful, and informational book provides material for hours of engagement. The atlas includes a map of each continent followed by intricate illustrations of what makes the continent unique. Index. (JG) ② ③

Written in the Stars. Aisha Saeed. Nancy Paulsen Books / Penguin Young Readers Group. 304pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-399-17170-3, \$17.99. Paperback ISBN 978-0-147-51393-9, \$10.99. (H) Naila is a young Pakistani American living the life of a normal teenager until her parents force her into an arranged marriage in Pakistan. An intense, suspenseful story of the realities of forced marriages. Author's Note, Resources. (AMW) ① ⑨

Dia de Los Muertos. Roseanne Greenfield Thong. Illustrated by Carles Ballesteros. Albert Whitman & Company. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-807-51566-2, \$16.99. (P, I) This rhyming picture book describes the Latin American tradition of honoring the dead in a colorful, celebratory way for children. The text includes many Spanish words for readers to learn in context. Author's Note, Glossary. (AMW) ② ③



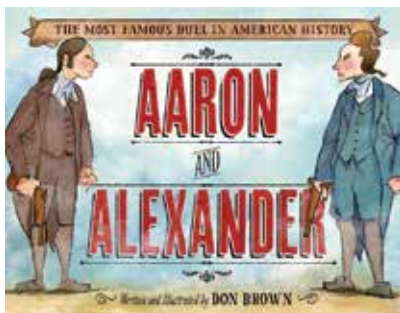
HISTORY/LIFE & CULTURE IN THE AMERICAS

28 Days: Moments in Black History that Changed the World. Charles R. Smith Jr. Illustrated by Shane W. Evans. A Neal Porter Book / Roaring Brook Press, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 56pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-596-43820-0, \$18.99. (I) Geared for the 28 days of Black History Month, but perfect for any month, this book

highlights an extraordinary event for each day of February. Laws, people, victories, and injustices are explicated through verse, quotes, and text. Bibliography. (JG) ②

Aaron and Alexander: The Most Famous Duel in American History. Don Brown.

Roaring Brook Press, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-596-43998-6, \$17.99. (P, I) The story of two important American men—Alexander Hamilton and Aaron Burr—who should have been allies, but instead were enemies. This picture book describes why they are now forever linked in tragedy. Author's Note, Bibliography. (AMW) ⑤ ②



The Boy Who Fell Off the Mayflower, or John Howland's Good Fortune. P.J. Lynch.

Candlewick Press. 64pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-763-66584-5, \$17.99. (I, M) John is an indentured servant who leaves London on the *Mayflower*. Told from a teenage perspective, this book captures the challenges of life in early America. Author's Note, Bibliography. (ML) ② ③ ④



Bird & Diz. Gary Golio. Illustrated by Ed Young.

Candlewick Press. 26pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-763-66660-6, \$19.99. (A) The musical work and contributions of Charlie "Bird" Parker and John "Dizzy" Gillespie bebop to life throughout this rhythmic picture book. The foldout illustrations mimic the back-and-forth collaborations of this duo that prompted a revolution in jazz. Illustrations fold out, Afterword. (LEM) ① ② ⑤



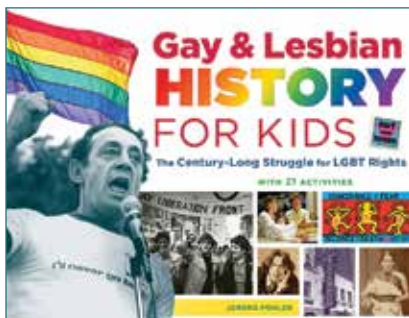
Currents. Jane Petrlik Smolik. Charlesbridge. 336pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-58089-648-1, \$16.95. (I, M) A bottle crosses the ocean and connects the lives of three young girls in 1854; an enslaved girl in Virginia, an English girl, and an Irish immigrant in Boston. Source Notes. (ML) ② ③ ⑨

Finder, Coal Mine Dog. Alison Hart.

Illustrated by Michael G. Montgomery. Peachtree Publishers. 192pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-561-45860-8, \$12.95. (I) Thomas is an orphan forced to work in the coalmines, accompanied by his dog Finder. The hard work and dangers of coal mining are brought to life in this story. Bibliography. (ML) ② ④ ⑦

Freedom's School. Lesa Cline-Ransome.

Illustrated by James E. Ransome. Disney - Jump At The Sun. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-4231-6103-5, \$17.99. (I, M) A school is built for



newly freed slaves near Lizzie's community. This seems too good to be true for Lizzie and her brother, until tragedy strikes. Will they ever be able to attend school again? (ATC) ⑤ ① ③

Fur, Fins, and Feathers: Abraham Dee Bartlett and the Invention of the Modern Zoo. Cassandra Maxwell.

Eerdmans Books for Young Readers. 34pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-802-85432-2, \$17.00. (I) Abraham Dee Bartlett fell in love with animals at a young age and grew up learning as much about them as possible. His love transformed the zoo into the modern version we know today—one where animals live in their natural habitats, receive proper care, and offer the public a chance to learn about and love them. Timeline, Author's Note, Bibliography. (SD) ② ⑩

Gay & Lesbian History for Kids: The Century-Long Struggle for LGBT Rights. Jerome Pohlen.

Chicago Review Press. 192pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-61373-082-9, \$17.95. (P) A much-needed history of the struggle for LGBT civil rights is introduced in a timeline sequence. Powerful stories of both historical and everyday individuals demonstrating perseverance, resilience, and contributions are paired with thoughtful activities that prompt critical thinking. Contents, Timeline, Introduction, Afterword, Resources, Notes, Index. (LEM) ② ⑩ ⑤ ⑥

Gingerbread for Liberty: How a German Baker Helped Win the American Revolution. Mara Rockliff.

Illustrated by Vincent Kirsch. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Books for Young Readers. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-544-13001-2, \$17.99. (I) The charming (largely true) story of a German baker and the American Revolution. Clever and colorful illustrations. Author's Note, Sources, Gingerbread Recipe. (JAW) ② ⑤

Granddaddy's Turn: A Journey to the Ballot Box. Michael S. Bandy and Eric Stein.

Illustrated by James E. Ransome. Candlewick Press. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-7636-6593-7, \$16.99. (I, M) Documenting the struggles of growing up in the segregated South, this historical fiction text is based on a true story of one family's path to the ballot box. Author's note on the struggle for voting rights. (CLC) ⑩ ⑤ ⑥

The Great Depression for Kids: Hardship and Hope in 1930s America. Cheryl Mullenbach. Chicago Review Press. 144pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-61373-051-5, \$16.95. (I, M) This informational overview of the Great Depression highlights the struggles, but also the kindness and generosity, of everyday Americans during the 1930s. Resources, Bibliography, Index. (QPR) ③ ⑦

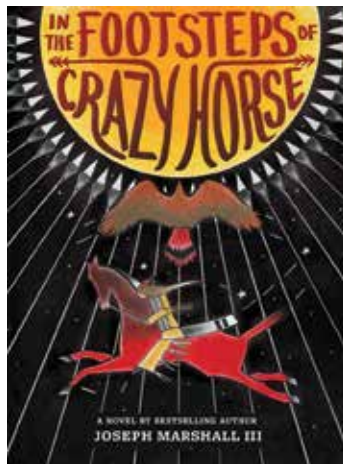
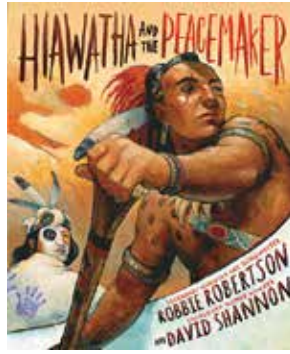
Hiawatha and the Peacemaker. Robbie Robertson. David Shannon. Abrams Books for Young Readers. 48pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-419-71220-3, \$19.95. (I, M) Stunning oil illustrations and a rich text tell the story of Hiawatha and the creation of the Great Iroquois Nation. Includes a CD with a song written by the author about Hiawatha. Author's Note, Historical Note. (ML) ② ③ ④

The Hired Girl. Laura Amy Schlitz. Candlewick Press. 400pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-763-67818-0, \$17.99. (M, H) In 1911, fourteen-year-old Joan leaves behind the farm and her family in search of a better life. Hired as a cleaning girl in the household of a wealthy family, Joan's adventures are told with charm, humor, honesty, and a guarded sense of optimism. Her story, written in the form of diary entries, is beautifully told and well researched. (LL) ① ② ④

Horrors of History: Massacre of the Miners. T. Neill Anderson. Charlesbridge. 144pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-58089-520-0, \$16.95. (M, H) This historical novel recounts events surrounding the 1914 massacre of striking Ludlow coal miners by the Colorado National Guard. Author's Note, Epilogue. (ML) ② ④ ⑦

The House that Jane Built: A Story about Jane Addams. Tanya Lee Stone. Illustrated by Kathryn Brown. Christy Ottaviano Books/Henry Holt, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-805-09049-9, \$17.99. (I) Readers meet Jane Addams as a young girl and follow her into adulthood as she searches for a way to change communities struggling with poverty. This informational book describes her struggles and successes as she opens Hull House. Author's Note, Sources. (SD) ⑩ ⑤

In the Footsteps of Crazy Horse. Joseph Marshall III. Illustrated by Jim Yellowhawk. Amulet Books. 176pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-419-70785-8, \$16.95. (M) Alternating between the nineteenth century and the present, a



teenager comes to appreciate the legacy of his ancestors and how he can honor his Lakota heritage. Map, Author's Note, Glossary, Bibliography. (QPR) ① ④ ②

Iron Rails, Iron Men, and the Race to Link the Nation: The Story of the Transcontinental Railroad. Martin W. Sandler. Candlewick Press. 224pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-763-66527-2, \$22.99. (I, M) This informational text thoroughly details the historical context and events surrounding the building of the nation's great railroad. Photographs, maps, and sidebars help tell this amazing story. Epilogue, Timeline, Bibliography. (ATC) ⑤ ⑦

Juneteenth for Mazie. Floyd Cooper. Capstone Young Readers, a Capstone imprint. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-62370-170-3, \$15.95. Library ISBN 978-1-4795-5819-3, \$18.49. Paperback ISBN 978-1-4795-5820-9, \$5.95. (P,I) Dream-like contemporary and historical images coupled with poignant text describe the struggles of African Americans and how Mazie learns about Juneteenth, the day (two years after the Emancipation Proclamation) that slaves in Texas learned that they were free. (LEM) ② ④ ⑩

Last in a Long Line of Rebels. Lisa Lewis Tyre. Nancy Paulsen Books. 288pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-399-16838-3, \$16.99. Paperback ISBN 978-0-147-51203-1, \$8.99. (M) On a summer break, Lou begins to dig into the past of her Civil War-era house, and develops a passion for historical preservation. The story chronicles battles against racism both in the present and in the past and illustrates the importance of fighting for what is right. (JG) ②

✿ **Lillian's Right to Vote: A Celebration of the Voting Rights Act of 1965.** Jonah Winter. Illustrated by Shane W. Evans. Schwartz & Wade. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-385-39028-6, \$17.99. Library ISBN 978-0-385-39029-3, \$20.99. (I) The road from slavery to the Voting Rights Act is told through one woman's story, as she reflects on the people and events of the civil rights movement that got her to the voting booth. Author's Note. (QPR) ⑩ ② ⑥

Monster Needs Your Vote. Paul Czajak. Illustrated by Wendy Grieb. *Mighty Media Kids*, an imprint of *Mighty Media Press*. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-938063-63-3, \$16.95. Paperback ISBN 978-1-938063-66-4, \$6.99. (P) Monster is running for election and is busy rallying voters. This book provides an age-appropriate opportunity for civics education. (RH) 10

Most Dangerous: Daniel Ellsberg and the Secret History of the Vietnam War.

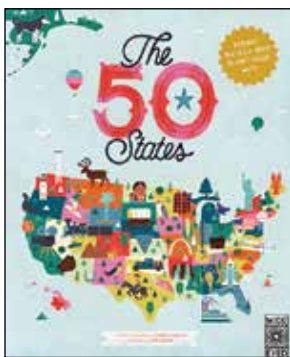
Steven Sheinkin. *Roaring Brook Press*, an imprint of *Macmillan Children's Publishing Group*. 384pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-596-43952-8, \$19.99. (M) This highly readable, informative text, is the tale of Daniel Ellsberg's evolution from self-proclaimed cold warrior to a reluctant government analyst who chooses to leak top-secret documents to the media about the Vietnam War. (LL) 6 10

Night on Fire. Ronald Kidd. *Albert Whitman & Company*. 288pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-807-57024-1, \$16.99. (M) Thirteen-year-old Billie Sims is bored by her home in Alabama, but when the Freedom Riders come to town, the civil rights movement changes her small town forever. Author's Note. (QPR) 2 6 10

New Shoes. Susan Lynn Meyer. Illustrated by Eric Velasquez. *Holiday House*. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-823-42528-0, \$16.95. Paperback ISBN 978-0-823-43573-9, \$7.99. (I) The story of two girls who find a clever way to confront the discrimination they face when trying to buy new shoes in the segregated South. Author's Note. (RH) 5

One Today. Richard Blanco. Dav Pilkey. *Little, Brown Books for Young Readers*. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-316-37144-5, \$18.00. (I) This brightly-colored picture book adaptation of the poem Blanco wrote for President Obama's second inauguration tells the story of a day in America, from morning to night. (RH) 3

Rhythm Ride: A Road Trip through Motown Sound. Andrea Davis Pinkney. *Roaring Brook Press*, an imprint of *Macmillan Children's Publishing Group*. 176pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-596-43973-3, \$22.99. (I, M) This entertaining and comprehensive informational text is a narrative history of the influence Motown had on music, American culture, and the civil rights movement. Author's Note, Timeline, Discography. (LFS) 1 2 3 4 5



Seeds of Freedom. Hester Bass. Illustrated by E.B. Lewis. *Candlewick Press*. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-763-66919-5, \$16.99. (P, I) This story chronicles the peaceful integration of Huntsville, Alabama, during a civil rights movement often rocked by violence in the South. Author's Note. (RH) 5 6 10

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Stella by Starlight. Sharon M. Draper. *Atheneum Books for Young Readers*. 336pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-442-49497-8, \$17.99. (M, H) Stella is a black girl in North Carolina in 1932, and the KKK complicates her father's attempts to vote for the first time. This book offers a poignant example of a community working together to help each other. (AMW) 2 5 6

Stonewall: Breaking Out in the Fight for Gay Rights. Ann Bausum. *Viking Books for Young Readers*. 128pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-670-01679-2, \$16.99. (M, H) This informational text is an overview of the gay rights movement, from Stonewall to the twenty-first century. Author's Note, Source Note, Bibliography. (QPR) 10 2 5

Turning 15 on the Road to Freedom: My Story of the Selma Voting Rights March. Lynda Blackmon Lowery, Elspeth Leacock, and Susan Buckley. Illustrated by PJ Loughran. *Dial Books*. 128pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-803-74123-2, \$19.99. (M, H) A first-person account of the 1965 Selma Voting Rights March as seen through the eyes of a brave 15-year-old determined to make a difference. (ML) 2 4 6 10

Women Who Broke the Rules: Dolley Madison. Kathleen Krull. Illustrated by Steve Johnson and Lou Fancher. *Bloomsbury USA*. 48pp. Trade ISBN 978-0802737939, \$16.99. Paperback ISBN 978-0-802-73794-6, \$6.99. (I) This book describes the impact and influence of Dolley Madison, one of the most memorable First Ladies, and how her actions helped break gender barriers. (ML) 2 4 6

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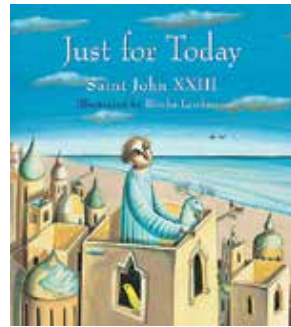
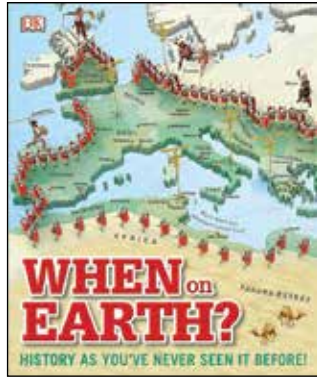
The 50 States. Gabrielle Balkin. Illustrated by Sol Linero. *Wide Eye Editions/Quarto Press*. 111pp. Trade ISBN 978-1847807113 \$30.00. (I, M, H) There's never been an atlas like this! Each state has a page of colorful illustrations, notable residents (both past and present), and a timeline of important moments. New discoveries with each reading. Index. (AMW) 3 2 5

Cars, Trains, Ships & Planes: A Visual Encyclopedia of Every Vehicle. Clive Gifford. *DK Publishing*. 256pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-4654-3805-8, \$24.99. (P, I, M, H) This Smithsonian visual encyclopedia displays over 1000 types of vehicles that sail, soar, propel, drive, and float, slowly or rapidly, across land, sea, and sky. This text is a one-stop vehicle research shop. (CLC) 8 2 7

A Primary Source History of Slavery in the United States. *Alison Crotzer Kimmel.* Capstone Press. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-4914-1839-0, \$7.95. (I) Through informational text features and primary sources, the author portrays a concise and accurate account of slavery in the United States. The table of contents, bibliography, glossary and index help students navigate and understand this text. (CLC) ① ⑤ ⑥

T is for Time. *Marie Smith and Roland Smith.* Illustrated by Renée Graef. Sleeping Bear Press. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-585-36512-8, \$16.99. (P, I) This informational ABC book covers lots of big ideas about the concept of time. It also includes historical and geographic perspectives of time and timekeeping. (JG) ②

When on Earth? *DK Publishing.* 160pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-465-42940-7, \$19.99. (M, H) An amazing integration of world history and geography, this book features annotated maps of historical eras spanning centuries. These maps help students understand not only where major events happened, but also why they happened. Index, Timelines. (AMW) ③ ⑨ ②

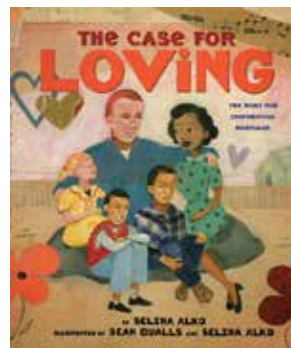


The Case for Loving: The Fight for Interracial Marriage. *Selina Alko.* Illustrated by Sean Qualls. Arthur A. Levine Books. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-545-47853-3, \$18.99. (I, M) Interracial marriage has not always been legal in the U.S. This is an account of the Lovings, and their fight to have the state of Virginia recognize their marriage in the late 1960s. Author's Note, Source List. (ATC) ② ⑤ ⑥

Double Happiness. *Nancy Tupper Ling.* Illustrated by Alina Chau. Chronicle Books. 48pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-452-12918-1, \$16.99. (P, I) Told in poetic verse, two Chinese American children cope with moving and change. Through the support of their family, they learn to savor memories by collecting important-to-them objects in a special box. Poem titles provided in Chinese and English. (LEM) ④ ② ①

Echo. *Pam Muñoz Ryan.* Scholastic Press. 592pp. Trade ISBN 987-0-439-87402-1, \$19.99. (I, M) Rife with suspense, intrigue, and decades of history, this novel describe how three main characters react to formidable trials and conflict around a prophecy, a promise, and a harmonica—set against a backdrop of the rise of Nazi Germany, the Great Depression, and World War II. (CLC) ④ ①

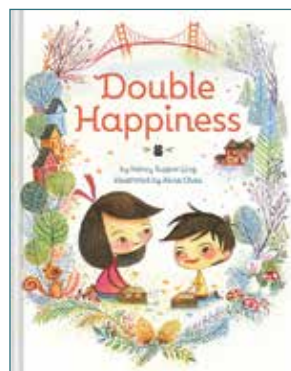
Just For Today. *Saint John XXIII.* Illustrated by Bimba Landmann. Eerdmans Books for Young Readers. 34pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-802-85461-2, \$16.00. (P, I) This beautifully illustrated essay details a man's simple wishes for making daily life better for himself and those who surround him. The young man went on to become the Pope and was eventually canonized for his many humanitarian efforts. Introduction, Author's Note. (SD) ④ ⑩



Families. *Shelley Rotner and Sheila M. Kelly.* Holiday House. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-823-43570-8, \$7.99. (P) Photographs and simple text engage young readers in this important book. A necessary resource on the diversity of families for early childhood classrooms. (JG) ⑤

SOCIAL INTERACTIONS/ RELATIONSHIPS

Audacity. *Melanie Crowder.* Philomel Books. 400pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-399-16899-4, \$17.99. Paperback ISBN 978-0-147-51249-9, \$10.99. (H) Inspired by historical figure Clara Lemlich, *Audacity* is an account of hardship in the patriarchal, exploitive, and violent early twentieth-century garment industry. The book's power rests in its beautiful verses of undeterred social activism. Historical Note, Interview, Glossary, Selected Sources. (JG) ② ⑩



Full Cicada Moon. *Marilyn Hilton.* Dial Books for Young Readers. 400pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-525-42875-6, \$17.99. (M, H) 1969 Vermont was mostly white and presented challenges to a half-black, half-Japanese seventh grader, but the lessons learned in this narrative help readers answer, "Who Am I?" Read how simple deeds teach volumes. (CLC) ① ④ ③

I Used To Be Afraid. *Laura Vaccaro Seeger.* A Neal Porter Book / Roaring Brook Press, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-596-43631-2, \$17.99. (P) Young children often have fears that are hard to deal with. Fear of the dark, of change, of making mistakes. This girl learns that those fears can be coped with in unexpected ways. (QPR) ④

The Lemonade Hurricane: A Story of Mindfulness and Meditation. Licia Morelli. Illustrated by Jennifer E. Morris. Tilbury House Publishers. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-884-48396-0, \$16.95. (P) This is a wonderful story about a boy who learns how to become more mindful of his actions through meditation. It includes a section of mindfulness and meditation techniques for children. Author's Note. How to Practice Mindfulness and Meditation. (RH) 4

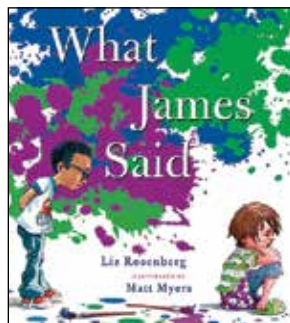
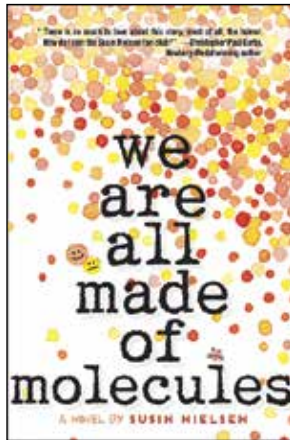
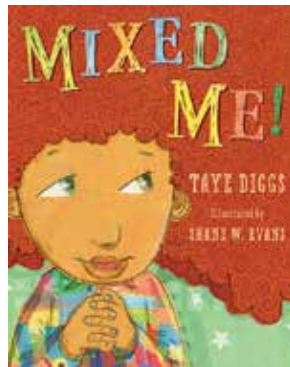
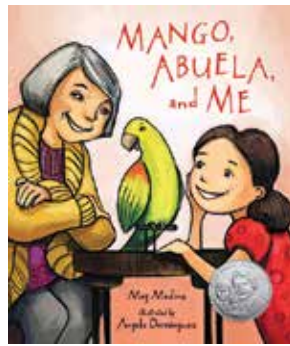
Mango, Abuela, and Me. Meg Medina. Illustrated by Angela Dominguez. Candlewick Press. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-763-66900-3, \$15.99. (P) When Mia's grandmother moves in with her family, the two have a rocky and awkward start. Over time they grow closer by sharing each other's languages and lives. (SD) 2 4

Minna's Patchwork Coat. Lauren A. Mills. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers. 288pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-316-40621-5, \$17.00. (I, M) This turn-of-the-century Appalachian tale of prejudice, friendship, coal mines, and community is timeless. The numerous folk songs are documented in the author's note. A novel based on Mills's picture book *The Rag Coat* (1991). (CLC) 1 3 10

Miracle on 133rd Street. Sonia Manzano. Illustrated by Marjorie Priceman. Atheneum Books for Young Readers. 48pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-689-87887-9, \$17.99. (P) José and his family must take their Christmas roast to the local pizzeria when they realize the oven is too small to cook it. As they make their way home, the delicious smell attracts many neighbors, drawing them away from their worries and together for a community feast. (SD) 3 10

Mixed Me! Taye Diggs. Illustrated by Shane W. Evans. Feiwel & Friends, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-250-04719-9, \$17.99. (P) The narrator Mike conveys his enthusiastic and joyful embrace of being "mixed" and the value of diversity in his life. (JAW) 4 5

One Family. George Shannon. Illustrated by Blanca Gómez. Frances Foster Books / Farrar Straus Giroux, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-374-30003-6, \$17.99. (P) Readers explore families of various sizes, ages, and cultures, demonstrating that all families count. This interactive picture book prompts readers to find and count objects and individuals through its playful text and illustrations. Illustration answer key. (LEM) 1 5 9



Peace is an Offering. Annette LeBox. Illustrated by Stephanie Graegin. Dial Books. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-803-74091-4, \$16.99. (P) A beautiful book about showing peace to others and finding peace for oneself. There is a powerful message about making the world a kinder place. (AMW) 4

Red. Jan De Kinder. Eerdmans Books for Young Readers. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-802-85446-9, \$16.00. (P) A harmless playground incident turns into a bullying situation for a young boy. One of his classmates goes from being a bystander to an ally, standing with him against the bully. (QPR) 4

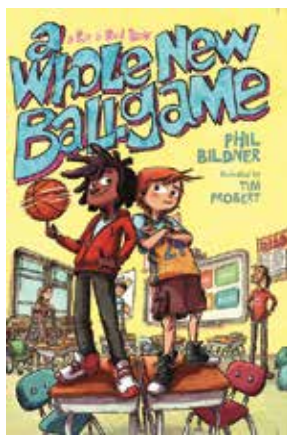
A Tale of Two Beasts. Fiona Roberton. Kane Miller Books. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-61067-361-7, \$12.99. (P, I) This fun picture book is told from the point of view of two different characters: a young girl and a woodland creature. Excellent book for teaching about different perspectives. (RH) 4

This Way Home. Wes Moore with Shawn Goodman. Delacorte Press. 256pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-385-74169-9, \$17.99. Library ISBN 978-0-375-99019-9, \$20.99. Paperback ISBN 978-0-385-74170-5, \$9.99. (H) Elijah's commitment to his family, friends, community, and future is challenged by a neighborhood gang. He risks it all and takes a stand during an adult basketball tournament, learning about courage, consequences, and compassion. Wes's Acknowledgements, Shawn's Acknowledgements, About the Authors. (LEM) 5 4

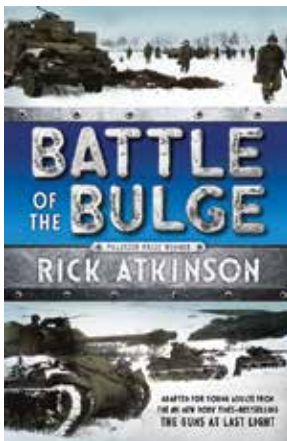
We Are All Made of Molecules. Susin Nielsen. Wendy Lamb Books. 256pp. Trade ISBN 9781770497795, \$19.99. Library ISBN 978-0-553-49687-1, \$19.99. Paperback ISBN 978-0-553-49689-5, \$9.99. (M) Frequently funny and moving, this story of a blended family is told from dual perspectives—that of a very popular girl and that of her new brother, who doesn't seem to fit in. (QPR) 4

What James Said. Liz Rosenberg. Illustrated by Matt Myers. A Neal Porter Book / Roaring Brook Press, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-596-43908-5, \$16.99. (P, I) This is a study of friendship at a young age. A misunderstanding of a compliment causes the main character to reimagine a friendship, and she realizes just how important it is to her. (ATC) 4 5

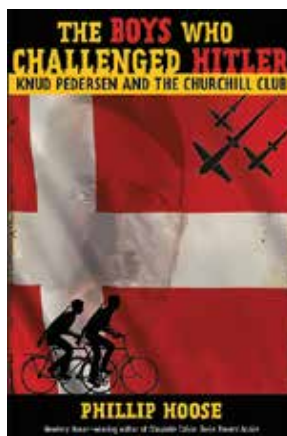
A Whole New Ballgame. *Phil Bildner.* Illustrated by Tim Probert. Farrar Straus Giroux, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 256pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-374-30130-9, \$15.99. Paperback ISBN 978-1-250-07976-3, \$6.99. (I) A diverse fifth-grade class and their new teacher redefine success, learn to empower themselves, and take risks through adventures in inquiry-based learning, sportsmanship, friendship, and identity. (LEM) 4 7 6



With a Friend by Your Side. *Barbara Kerley.* National Geographic Children's Books. 48pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-426-31905-1, \$17.99. (P) Crisp, colorful photographs and lively text highlight this engaging, visually compelling first book of friendship around the world. Back matter includes a map, captions with locations for each photo, friendship quotes, and notes for parents on fostering friendship skills. (JAW) 4 5 9 10



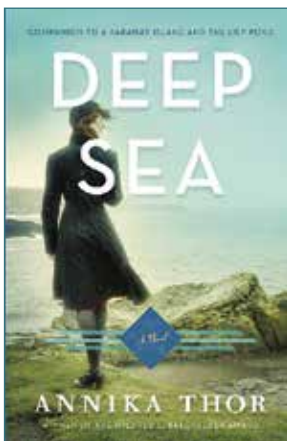
The Yes. *Sarah Bee.* Illustrated by Satoshi Kitamura. Eerdmans Books for Young Readers. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-802-85449-0, \$16.00. (I, M) *The Yes* is a cleverly written story that can be read on many levels. The literal text follows a fantastical creature on a journey. Deeper understandings reveal studies in mindset, determination, and achievement. (ATC) 5 3



WORLD HISTORY & CULTURE

The Battle of the Bulge. *Rick Atkinson.* Henry Holt, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 256pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-627-79113-7, \$19.99. Paperback ISBN 978-1-250-07991-6, \$12.99. (M) This informational book provides a play-by-play of the month-long battle between German and U.S. forces in World War II. Detailed maps, legends, timelines, and lists help the reader understand the scope and intensity of the fighting. Glossary, Places to Visit, For More Information, Bibliography, Index. (SD) 2

The Boys Who Challenged Hitler: Knud Pedersen and the Churchill Club. *Phillip Hoose.* Farrar Straus Giroux, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 208pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-374-30022-7, \$19.99. Paperback ISBN 978-1-250-10423-6, \$12.99. (H) In this informational book, Hoose tells the story of a teenage Knud Peterson and his friends who resolved to destroy Nazi



transportation as part of the Danish resistance in World War II. Bibliography, Notes, Index. (AMW) 5 6

Deep Sea. *Annika Thor.* Delacorte Press. 240pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-385-74385-3, \$17.99. Library ISBN 978-0-375-99132-5, \$20.99. (M, H) Stephanie's parents are in a concentration camp in Austria, but she and her sister escaped to make a better life for themselves in neutral Sweden. Stephanie must balance typical teenage problems with her family's separation. (AMW). 3 2

Drum Dream Girl: How One Girl's Courage Changed Music. *Margarita Engle.* Rafael López. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Books for Young Readers. 48pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-544-10229-3, \$16.99. (P, I) Vibrant, dream-like illustrations paired with poetic text tell a story of a young girl pursuing her dream of playing the drums in Cuba where it was believed "only boys should play drums" (inspired by Millo Castro Zaldarriaga). Historical Note. (LEM) 9 7 10

Elephant in the Dark. *Mina Javaherbin.* Illustrated by Eugene Yelchin. Scholastic Press. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-545-63670-4, \$17.99. (P) The author creates a tale about understanding the truth from an anecdote originally written by the Persian poet Rumi. Author's Note. (RH) 7

FDR and the American Crisis. *Albert Marrin.* Alfred A. Knopf BFYR. 336pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-385-75359-3, \$24.99. Library ISBN 978-0-385-75360-9, \$27.99. Paperback ISBN 978-0-385-75362-3, \$15.99. (M) Franklin Delano Roosevelt became one of the most influential leaders of the United States. This informational book details his life and accomplishments, helping readers to learn about the Great Depression and World War II. Notes, Further Reading, Index. (SD) 2 6

Finding Winnie: The True Story of the World's Most Famous Bear. *Lindsay Mattick.* Illustrated by Sophie Blackall. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers. 56pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-316-32490-8, \$18.00. (P, I) Meet the bear that inspired A.L. Milne's delightful tales of Christopher Robin and Winnie the Pooh, which have captivated children around the world for years. (ML) 2 3

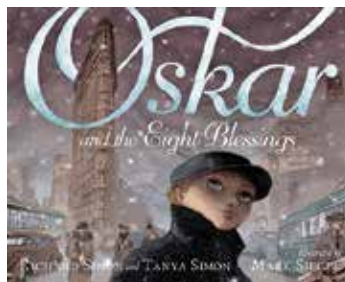
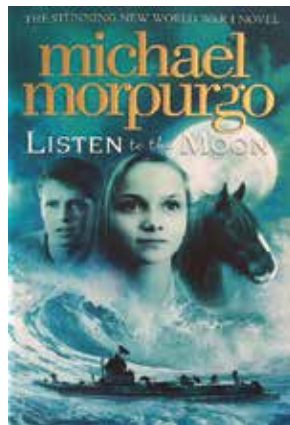
The Girl Who Buried Her Dreams in a Can: A True Story. Tererai Trent. Illustrated by Jan Spivey Gilchrist. Viking Books for Young Readers. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-670-01654-9, \$17.99. (I) This autobiography recounts the author's childhood in Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe) and her dreams of education. After earning three degrees in the United States, she returns home to provide an education for young girls and boys. Dear Reader, Afterword (LEM) 9 1 4

The Green Bicycle. Haifaa Al Mansour. Dial Books. 352pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-525-42806-0, \$16.99. Paperback ISBN 978-0-147-51503-2, 8.99. (M) Feisty Wadjda enters a Koran competition and plans to use her winnings to purchase a bike (considered improper for girls in Riyadh). The text, based on the film Wadjda, weaves in introductions to Saudi Arabian culture. About the Author (LEM) 9 1

Jars of Hope: How One Woman Helped Save 2,500 Children during the Holocaust. Jennifer Roy. Illustrated by Meg Owenson. Capstone Press, a Capstone imprint. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-62370-425-4, \$14.95. Library ISBN 978-1-4914-6072-6, \$19.99. (I) When the Jewish citizens of Warsaw were moved into a ghetto during World War II, Irena Sendler knew she had to help. Over time, her mission grew from sending food and supplies into the ghetto to smuggling thousands of infants out of its walls and maintaining records so that they might search for their families after the war. Afterword, Author's Note, Glossary, Index, Source Notes. (SD) 6 10 2

Lailah's Lunchbox: A Ramadan Story. Reem Faruqi. Illustrated by Lea Lyon. Tilbury House Publishers. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0884484318, \$16.95. (I) Lailah wants to fast for Ramadan for the first time, but she struggles with how to tell her teachers and classmates about it. Readers will love the thoughtful and important reflections Lailah's story offers. Author's Note. (JG) 1 5

Listen to the Moon. Michael Morpurgo. Feiwel & Friends, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 352pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-250-04204-0, \$16.99. Paperback ISBN 978-1-250-10432-8, \$7.99. (H) Alfie and Merry are two young people growing up on opposite sides of the Atlantic during World War I, when the sinking of the *Lusitania* brings their lives together. Their story highlights the power of kindness and compassion in the midst of war. Background Information. (SD) 2 1



Mary Cassatt: Extraordinary Impressionist Painter. Barbara Herkert. Illustrated by Gabi Swiatkowska. Christy Ottaviano Books / Henry Holt, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-627-79016-1, \$17.99. (P) Mary Cassatt challenged the expectations of women of her generation and became one of the most talented painters of her time. Inspired by the works of Edgar Degas, she went on to develop her style—including scenes of family life in much of her work. This book details how her style and influence made impressionism a respected and valued form of painting. Author's Note, Sources. (SD) 1 2

Mystery of the Giant Masks of Sanxingdui. Icy Smith. Illustrated by Gayle Garner Roski. East West Discovery Press. 32pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-991-34548-9, \$19.95. (I) This fictionalized account helps readers understand an important archaeological discovery that is changing historical understandings of ancient China. Illustrations, photos, and maps bring the culture to life. Author's Note, Chinese Name Glossary. (SD) 2 1 6

Oskar and the Eight Blessings. Richard Simon and Tanya Simon. Illustrated by Mark Siegel. Roaring Brook Press, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-596-43949-8, \$17.99. (P, I) Young Oskar seeks refuge in New York City after the Night of Broken Glass in Europe. He experiences comfort through unexpected blessings during his search for his aunt's home. Author's Note. Glossary. Map. (JG) 2 4

✿ **A Prince without a Kingdom.** Timothée de Fombelle. Candlewick Press. 464pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-7636-7950-7, \$17.99. (H) The author weaves a spellbinding tale of mystique, romance, and historical adventure as Vango crisscrosses the world of the 1930s and 40s, explores his identity, and tries to find resolution. (CLC) 3 4 6


The Prisoners of Breendonk: Personal Histories from a World War II Concentration Camp. James M. Deem. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Books for Young Readers. 352pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-544-09664-6, \$18.99. (H) Breendonk is often overlooked as a concentration camp, but life there was no less brutal than better-known camps. This informational text includes incredible primary sources, including photos, letters, and artwork. Maps, Bibliography, Source Notes, Index, Appendix. (QPR) 2 6 9

The Runaway's Gold. *Emilie Christie Burack.* Amulet Books. 272pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-419-71369-9, \$16.95. (H) Both fictitious and thrilling, this adventure story provides some historical context to the culture, history, and working class struggles of the Shetland Islands. Once the Shetland dialect is mastered, the pages beckon readers faster! (JG) ② ③ ⑥

The Safest Lie. *Angela Cerrito.* Holiday House. 192pp. Trade ISBN 978-0823433100, \$16.95. (M) This historical fiction book centers on a 9-year-old Jewish girl who is smuggled out of the Warsaw Ghetto and assumes a Catholic identity for her safety. It is a fast-paced and well researched read. Author's Note. (RH) ⑤ ⑥

Stone Angel. *Jane Yolen.* Illustrated by *Katie May Green.* Philomel Books. 40pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-399-16741-6, \$16.99. (I) A little girl narrates her family's tale of escaping into England as the Nazis invade France. Throughout their dangerous journey, she recognizes the guardian angels that protect them on their way. Author's Note. (SD) ②

Tucky Jo and Little Heart. *Patricia Polacco.* Paula Wiseman Books/Simon & Schuster. 48pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-481-41584-2, \$17.99. (P, I) Based on a true story, this World War II tale of friendship comes full circle when kindnesses are repaid after a soldier is cared for by a nurse, the Filipino girl he helped years ago. (LFS) ② ③ ④

 **The War That Saved My Life.** *Kimberly Brubaker Bradley.* Dial Books. 320pp. Trade ISBN 978-0-803-74081-5, \$16.99. Paperback ISBN 978-0-147-51048-8, \$8.99. (I, M) Set against the backdrop of World War II, this story of promise and possibility is told through the perspective of an abused disabled girl when she and her brother are evacuated from London to the English countryside. (LFS) ① ② ④ ⑩

Why'd They Wear That? Fashion as the Mirror of History. *Sarah Albee.* National Geographic Children's Books. 192pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-426-31919-8, \$19.99. (M) This well-researched informational text outlines major fashion trends in the history of the world from the toga to the mini-skirt. Timeline. Biography. Index. (RH) ② ③ ⑤ ⑨

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Wangari Maathai: The Woman Who Planted Millions of Trees. Franck Prévot. Illustrated by Aurélia Fronty. Charlesbridge. 45pp. Trade ISBN 978-1-580-89626-9, \$17.95. (I) This biography of Nobel laureate Wangari Maathai describes her lifelong efforts to save Kenya's forests. Timeline, Map, Kenya Today, Websites. (RH) 3 5 9

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