

CHILDREN'S LITERATURE, BRIEFLY Reading List
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Traditional Fantasy Reading List
Ten of Our Favorites

Collections and Chapter Books

- Hamilton, Virginia. 1988. *In the Beginning: Creation Stories from Around the World*. Illustrated by Barry Moser. Harcourt. An illustrated collection of 25 myths from various cultures explaining the creation of the world. A Newbery Honor Book.
- Harris, Joel Chandler (adapted by Van Dyke Parks and Malcolm Jones). 1986. *Jump! The Adventures of Brer Rabbit*. Illustrated by Barry Moser. Harcourt. A retelling of five folktales in which crafty Brer Rabbit tries to outsmart all the other creatures in the animal community.
- Osborne, Mary Pope. 1998. *Favorite Medieval Tales*. Illustrated by Troy Howell. Scholastic. A collection of well-known tales from medieval Europe, including "Beowulf," "The Sword in the Stone," "The Song of Roland," and "Gudren and the Island of the Lost Children."
- Pinkney, Jerry. 2000. *Aesop's Fables*. SeaStar. A collection of nearly sixty fables from Aesop, including such familiar ones as "The Grasshopper and the Ants," "The North Wind and the Sun," "Androcles and the Lion," "The Troublesome Dog," and "The Fox and the Stork."
- Sutcliff, Rosemary. 1996. *The Wanderings of Odysseus: The Story of the Odyssey*. Illustrated by Alan Lee. New York: Delacorte. A retelling of the adventures of Odysseus on his long voyage home from the Trojan War.

Picture Books

- Dillion, Leo, and Diane Dillon. 1998. *To Every Thing There Is a Season: From Ecclesiastes*. New York: Scholastic. The text is taken from the King James version of the Bible (Ecclesiastes chapter 3, verses 1-8) and each verse is illustrated in the traditional artistic style of a different ancient culture.
- Grimm Brothers (translated by Randall Jarrell). 1972. *Snow-White and the Seven Dwarfs*. Illustrated by Nancy Ekholm Burkert. Farrar. A beautifully illustrated rendition of the classic fairy tale. A Caldecott Honor Book.
- Mayer, Marianna. 2000(1978). *Beauty and the Beast*. Illustrated by Mercer Mayer. SeaStar. Through her great capacity to love, a kind and beautiful maid releases a handsome prince from the spell that has made him an ugly beast.
- Step toe, John. 1987. *Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters: An African Tale*. Lothrop. Mufaro's two beautiful daughters, one bad-tempered, one kind and sweet, go before the king who is choosing a wife. An African variant of Cinderella. A Caldecott Honor Book.
- Zelinsky, Paul O. 1997. *Rapunzel*. Dutton. The author melded several versions of the Rapunzel story in creating this unique telling. Caldecott Medal.

Others We Like

Chapter Books and Collections

- Alderson, Brian. 1992. *The Arabian Nights: Or Tales Told by Sheherezade During a Thousand Nights and One Night*. Illustrated by Michael Foreman. Morrow.
- Doherty, Berlie. 1998. *Tales of Wonder and Magic*. Illustrated by Juan Wijngaard. Candlewick.
- Evslin, Bernard. 1990. *Ladon*. Chelsea House.

Garland, Sherry. 2001. *Children of the Dragon: Selected Tales from Vietnam*. Illustrated by Trina Schart Hyman. Harcourt.

Hamilton, Virginia. 1995. *Her Stories*. Scholastic (Blue Sky).

Heaney, Marie. 2000. *The Names Upon the Harp*. Illustrated by P.J. Lynch. Scholastic.

McKissack, Patricia C. 1992. *The Dark-Thirty*. Illustrated by Brian Pinkney. Knopf.

Osborne, Mary Pope. 1991. *American Tall Tales*. Illustrated by Michael McCurdy. Knopf.

Sutcliff, Rosemary. 1981. *The Sword and the Circle*. Dutton.

Vinge, Joan D. 1999. *The Random House Book of Greek Myths*. Illustrated by Oren Sherman. Random.

Picture Books

Aardema, Verna. 1975. *Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears*. Illustrated by Leo and Diane Dillon. Dial.

Demi. 1997. *One Grain of Rice*. Scholastic.

Fisher, Leonard Everett. 2001. *Gods and Goddesses of the Ancient Norse*. Holiday House.

Goble, Paul. 1985. *The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses*. Bradbury.

Grimm Brothers. 1975. *Thorn Rose or the Sleeping Beauty*. Illustrated by Errol Le Cain. Bradbury.

Grimm Brothers. 1983. *Little Red Riding Hood*. Illustrated by Trina Schart Hyman. Holiday House.

Grimm Brothers (retold by Barbara Rogasky). 1986. *The Water of Life*. Illustrated by Trina Schart Hyman. Holiday House.

Hamilton, Virginia. 2000. *The Girl Who Spun Gold*. Leo and Diane Dillon. Scholastic.

Hasting, Selina. 1981. *Sir Gawain and the Loathly Lady*. Illustrated by Juan Wijngaard. Lothrop.

Isaacs, Anne. 1994. *Swamp Angel*. Illustrated by Paul O. Zelinsky. Dutton.

Kellogg, Stephen. 1986. *Pecos Bill*. Morrow.

Kimmel, Eric. 2001. *Anansi and the Magic Stick*. Illustrated by Janet Stevens. Holiday House.

Lester, Julius. 1994. *John Henry*. Illustrated by Jerry Pinkney. Dial.

Louie, Ai-Ling. 1982. *Yeh-Shen: A Cinderella Story from China*. Illustrated by Ed Young. Philomel.

Martin, Rafe. 1992. *The Rough-Face Girl*. Illustrated by David Shannon. Putnam.

Mayer, Marianna. 1998. *Pegasus*. Illustrated by K. Y. Craft. Morrow.

McDermott, Gerald. 1974. *Arrow to the Sun*. Viking.

McDermott, Gerald. 1997. *Musicians of the Sun*. Simon & Schuster.

McDermott, Gerald. 2001. *Jabuti the Tortoise*. Harcourt.

Moser, Barry. 2001. *The Three Little Pigs*. Little, Brown.

Perrault, Charles (translated by Malcolm Arthur). 1990. *Puss in Boots*. Illustrated by Fred Marcellino. Farrar.

San Souci, Robert D. 1998. *Fa Mulan*. Illustrated by Jean and Mou-Sien Tseng. Hyperion.

San Souci, Robert. 1989. *The Talking Eggs*. Illustrated by Jerry Pinkney. Dial.

Shannon, Mark. 1994. *Gawain and the Green Knight*. Illustrated by David Shannon. Putnam.

Stevens, Janet. 1995. *Tops & Bottoms*. Harcourt.

Wisniewski, David. 1996. *Golem*. Clarion.

Young, Ed. 1989. *Lon Po Po: A Red Riding Hood Story from China*. Philomel.

Notable Retellers and Illustrators of Traditional Stories

The names in this list include influential retellers and illustrators of traditional stories other than the pioneers who first preserved these tales in print (Brothers Grimm, Joseph Jacobs, Charles Perrault, and others).

Aardema, Verna (reteller): African folktales.

Bierhorst, John (reteller): Native-American folktales.

Brown, Marcia (reteller and illustrator): Folktales from a variety of cultures.

Bruchac, Joseph (reteller): Native-American folktales.

Dillion, Leo and Diane (illustrators): African folktales.
Evslin, Bernard (reteller): Greek myths.
Fisher, Leonard Everett (reteller and illustrator): Greek myths.
Hamilton, Virginia (reteller): Folktale collections, primarily African-American.
Hutton, Warwick (reteller and illustrator): Bible stories.
Hyman, Trina Schart (illustrator): European fairy tales.
Kimmel, Eric (reteller): Folktales from around the world.
McDermott, Gerald (reteller and illustrator): Myths and folktales from various cultures.
Singer, Isaac Bashevis: Jewish traditional tales.
Sutcliff, Rosemary (reteller): Arthurian and Greek myths and legends.
Young, Ed (reteller and illustrator): Asian folklore.
Zelinsky, Paul O.(reteller and illustrator): European fairy tales.
Zwinger, Lisbeth (illustrator): European fairy tales.

Modern Fantasy Reading List

Ten of Our Favorites

Alexander, Lloyd. 1964. *The Book of Three*. Holt. In the first book of The Prydain Chronicles, Taran, Assistant Pig Keeper at Caer Dallben, searches for the oracular pig Hen Wen while the forces of evil gather. (See the other four books in The Prydain Chronicles.)

Babbitt, Natalie. 1975. *Tuck Everlasting*. Farrar. The Tuck family is confronted with an agonizing situation when they discover that a 10-year-old girl and a malicious stranger now share their secret about the water from a spring that prevents people from ever growing any older.

Christopher, John. 1967. *The White Mountains*. Macmillan. (Science fiction.) A young boy and his companions make a perilous journey toward an outpost of freedom, where they hope to escape from the ruling tripod creatures who “cap” adult human beings with implanted metal skull plates that turn them into docile, obedient servants. (See the other three books in the White Mountains series.)

Conrad, Pam. 1990. *Stonewords*. Harper. Zoe’s house is occupied by the ghost of an 11-year-old girl who died in 1870 and carries Zoe back to the day of her death to try to alter that tragic event.

Cooper, Susan. 1966. *Over Sea, Under Stone*. Harcourt. Three children on a holiday in Cornwall find an ancient manuscript that sends them on a dangerous quest for a grail that would reveal the true story of King Arthur. (See the other four books in the Dark Is Rising series.)

Hunter, Mollie. 1975. *A Stranger Came Ashore*. Harper. Twelve-year-old Robbie becomes convinced that the stranger befriended by his family is one of the Selkie Folk and tries to get help against his magical powers from the local wizard.

Lewis, C. S. 1950. *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*. Macmillan. Four English schoolchildren find their way through the back of a wardrobe into the magic land of Narnia and assist Aslan, the golden lion, in triumphing over the White Witch, who has cursed the land with eternal winter. (See the other six books in the Narnia series.)

McKinley, Robin. 1978. *Beauty: A Retelling of the Story of Beauty and the Beast*. Harper. Kind Beauty grows to love the Beast, at whose castle she is compelled to stay. Through her love, she releases him from the spell that had turned him from a handsome prince into an ugly creature.

O’Brien, Robert C. 1975. *Z for Zachariah*. Atheneum. (Science fiction.) Seemingly the only person left alive after a nuclear holocaust, a young girl is relieved to see a man arrive into her valley until she realizes that he is a tyrant and that she must somehow escape.

White, E. B. 1952. *Charlotte's Web*. Harper. Wilbur, the pig, discovers that he is destined to be the farmer's Christmas dinner and is desolate until his spider friend, Charlotte, decides to help him. A Newbery Honor Book.

Others We Like

Alexander, Lloyd. 1997. *The Iron Ring*. Dutton.

Banks, Lynne Reid. 1981. *The Indian in the Cupboard*. Doubleday. (See others in the Indian in the Cupboard series.)

Barron, T. A. 2000. *The Wings of Merlin*. Philomel. (See others in the Merlin series.)

Bellairs, John. 1973. *The House with a Clock in Its Walls*. Dial. (See others in the Lewis Barnavelst series, also written by Brad Strickland after Bellairs's death.)

Billingsley, Franny. 1999. *The Folk Keeper*. Atheneum.

Dahl, Roald. 1988. *Matilda*. Viking Kestrel.

Dickinson, Peter. 1989. *Eva*. Delacorte. (Science fiction.)

Duncan, Lois. 1976. *Summer of Fear*. Little, Brown.

Engdahl, Sylvia Louise. 2001(1970). *Enchantress from the Stars*. Walker. (Science fiction.)

Fletcher, Susan. 1989. *Dragon's Milk*. Atheneum. (See others in the Dragon Chronicles series.)

Hahn, Mary Downing. 1986. *Wait Till Helen Comes: A Ghost Story*. Houghton Mifflin.

Hoover, H. M. 1995. *The Winds of Mars*. Dutton. (Science fiction.)

Jacques, Brian. 1987. *Redwall*. Philomel. (See others in the Redwall series.)

Le Guin, Ursula K. 1968. *A Wizard of Earthsea*. Parnassus. (See the other books in the Earthsea series.)

Lowry, Lois. 1993. *The Giver*. Houghton. (Science fiction.)

L' Engle, Madeleine. 1962. *A Wrinkle in Time*. Farrar. (See others in the Time series.)

Nicholson, William. 2000. *The Wind Singer*. Hyperion. (See other books in Wind Singer series.)

Nix, Garth. 2001. *Lirael*. Harper.

Norton, Mary. 1953. *The Borrowers*. Harcourt. (See others in the Borrowers series.)

O'Brien, Robert C. 1971. *Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH*. Atheneum. (Science fiction.)

Pullman, Philip. 1995. *The Golden Compass*. Knopf. (See others in the His Dark Materials series.)

Rowling, J. K. 1998. *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*. New York: Scholastic. (See the others in the Harry Potter series.)

Springer, Nancy. 2001. *I Am Morgan le Fay: A Tale from Camelot*. Philomel.

Yolen, Jane. 1982. *Dragon's Blood*. Delacorte. (See others in the Dragon trilogy.)

Easier to Read

Brooks, Walter R. 1997(1932). *Freddy the Detective*. New York: Overlook Press.

Brown, Jeff. 1996. *Invisible Stanley*. Illustrated by Steve Björkman. Harper. (Also see *Flat Stanley*.)

Cameron, Ann. *Gloria Rising*. Illustrated by Lis Toft. Farrar.

Catling, Patrick. 1979 (1952). *The Chocolate Touch*. Morrow.

Cleary, Beverly. 1965. *The Mouse and the Motorcycle*. Morrow.

Cuyler, Majorie. 1995. *Invisible in the Third Grade*. Illustrated by Mirko Gabler. Holt.

Fleischman, Sid. 1992. *Here Comes McBroom*. Greenwillow.

Griffin, Adele. 2001. *Witch Twins*. Hyperion.

Howe, Deborah, and James Howe. 1983. *Bunnicula*. Atheneum. (See others in the Bunnicula series.)

King-Smith, Dick. 1985. *Babe: The Gallant Pig*. Crown.

Scieszka, Jon. 2002. *Hey Kid, Want to Buy a Bridge?* Illustrated by Adam McCauley. Viking. (See others in the Time Warp Trio series.)

Wright, Betty Ren. 1998. *The Ghost in Room 11*. Holiday House.

Picture Books

Agee, Jon. 2001. *Milo's Hat Trick*. Hyperion.

Cronin, Doreen. 2000. *Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type*. Illustrated by Betsy Lewin. Simon & Schuster.

Henkes, Kevin. 2000. *Wemberly Worried*. Greenwillow.

Kellogg, Steven. 1977. *The Mysterious Tadpole*. Dial.

Meddaugh, Susan. 1992. *Martha Speaks*. Houghton. (See others in the Martha series.)

Peet, Bill. 1977. *Big Bad Bruce*. Houghton.

Rosenberg, Liz. 1993. *Monster Mama*. Illustrated by Stephen Gammell. Putnam.

Small, David. 1986. *Imogene's Antlers*. Crown.

Steig, William. 1990. *Shrek!* Farrar.

Van Allsburg, Chris. 1979. *The Garden of Abdul Gasazi*. Houghton.

Wiesner, David. 1999. *Sector 7*. Clarion.

Wood, Audrey. 1996. *The Bunyans*. Illustrated by David Shannon.

Yolen, Jane. 1989. *Dove Isabeau*. Illustrated by Dennis Nolan. Harcourt.

Notable Authors of Modern Fantasy

Listed after each name is the type of fantasy story for which each author is best known.

Alexander, Lloyd: High fantasy.

Barron, T. A.: High fantasy,

Bellairs, John: Supernatural.

Cooper, Susan: High fantasy.

Christopher, John: Science fiction.

Dahl, Roald: Peculiar characters/preposterous situations.

Dickinson, Peter: Science fiction, high fantasy.

Duncan, Lois: Supernatural.

Engdahl, Sylvia Louise: Science fiction.

Hahn, Mary Downing: Supernatural.

Hoover, H. M.: Science fiction.

Hughes, Monica: Science fiction.

Hunter, Mollie: Magical powers; supernatural.

Jacques, Brian: Animal fantasy.

King-Smith, Dick: Animal fantasy.

L'Engle, Madeleine: Science fantasy.

LeGuin, Ursula: High fantasy, science fiction.

Lewis, C. S.: High fantasy.

McKinley, Robin: High fantasy.

Pullman, Philip: High fantasy.

Rowling, J.K.: Magical powers, high fantasy.

Van Allsburg, Chris: Peculiar characters/preposterous situations, magical powers.

White, E. B.: Animal fantasy.

Wright, Betty Ren: Supernatural.

Yolen, Jane: High fantasy, literary folk and fairy tales.

Contemporary Realistic Fiction Reading List Ten of Our Favorites

- DeCamillo, Kate. 2000. *Because of Winn-Dixie*. Candlewick. Ten-year-old India Opal Buloni describes her first summer in the town of Naomi, Florida, and all the good things that happen to her because of her big ugly dog, Winn-Dixie. A Newbery Honor Book.
- Hunt, Irene. 1976. *Lottery Rose*. Scribner's. A young victim of child abuse gradually overcomes his fears and suspicions when placed in a home with other boys.
- Konigsburg, E. L. 1967. *From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler*. Atheneum. Twelve-year-old Claudia is tired of her life of responsibility, so she and her little brother run away from home and hide in the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Winner of the Newbery Medal.
- Lowry, Lois. 1977. *A Summer to Die*. Houghton Mifflin. Thirteen-year-old Meg envies her sister's beauty and popularity. Her feelings don't make it any easier for her to cope with Molly's strange illness and eventual death.
- Paterson, Katherine. 1978. *The Great Gilly Hopkins*. Crowell. An 11-year-old foster child tries to cope with her longings and fears as she schemes against everyone who tries to be friendly. A Newbery Honor Book.
- Paulsen, Gary. 1987. *Hatchet*. Bradbury. After a plane crash, 13-year-old Brian spends 54 days in the wilderness, learning to survive with only the aid of a hatchet given him by his mother and learning also to survive his parents' divorce. A Newbery Honor Book.
- Rawls, Wilson. 1961. *Where the Red Fern Grows*. Doubleday. A young boy living in the Ozarks achieves his heart's desire when he becomes the owner of two redbone hounds and teaches them to be hunters.
- Robinson, Barbara. 1972. *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*. Harper. The six mean Herdman kids lie, steal, smoke cigars (even the girls), and then become involved in the community Christmas pageant.
- Sachar, Louis. 1998. *Holes*. Farrar. As further evidence of his family's bad fortune which they attribute to a curse on a distant relative, Stanley Yelnats is sent to a hellish correctional camp in the Texas desert where he finds his first real friend, a treasure, and a new sense of himself. Winner of the Newbery Medal.
- Spinelli, Jerry. 1990. *Maniac Magee*. Little, Brown. After his parents die, Jeffrey Lionel Magee's life becomes legendary, as he accomplishes athletic and other feats that awe his contemporaries. At the same time he searches in anguish for a place to call home. Winner of the Newbery Medal.

Others We Like

Animals

- Cleary, Beverly. 1991. *Strider*. Morrow.
- Eckert, Allan. 1971. *Incident at Hawk's Hill*. Little, Brown.
- Henry, Marguerite. 1990 (1947). *King of the Wind*. Macmillan.
- Keehn, Sally. 1999. *The First Horse I See*. Philomel.
- Kjelgaard, Jim. 1945. *Big Red*. Holiday House.
- Mowat, Farley. 1962. *Owls in the Family*. Little, Brown.
- Naylor, Phyllis R. 1991. *Shiloh*. Atheneum.
- North, Sterling. 1963. *Rascal*. Dutton.

Humor

- Blume, Judy. 1972. *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing*. Dutton.
- Cleary, Beverly. 1968. *Ramona the Pest*. Morrow.

Clements, Andrew. 1996. *Frindle*. Simon & Schuster.
Danziger, Paula. 2002. *Get Ready for Second Grade, Amber Brown*. Putnam.
Korman, Gordon. 1991. *I Want to Go Home*. Scholastic.
Lowry, Lois. 1985. *Anastasia Krupnik*. Houghton.
Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds. 1989. *Alice in Rapture, Sort Of*. Atheneum.
See also riddle books and collections of jokes on the children's shelves at libraries and bookstores.

Mysteries

Alphin, Elaine Marie. 2000. *Counterfeit Son*. Harcourt.
Duncan, Lois. 1973. *I Know What You Did Last Summer*. Little, Brown.
Nixon, Joan Lowry. 1986. *The Other Side of Dark*. Delacorte.
Raskin, Ellen. 1978. *The Westing Game*. Dutton.
Roberts, Willo Davis. 1975. *A View from the Cherry Tree*. Atheneum.
Smith, Roland. 2001. *Zach's Lie*. Hyperion.
Van Draanen, Wendelin. 2001. *Sammy Keyes and the Hollywood Mummy*. Knopf.
Wallace, Barbara Brooks. 2000. *Ghosts in the Gallery*. Atheneum.
Wright, Betty Ren. 1983. *The Dollhouse Murders*. Holiday.

Problem Novels

Bauer, Joan. 2000. *Hope Was Here*. Putnam.
Bauer, Marian Dane. 1986. *On My Honor*. Houghton Mifflin.
Blume, Judy. 1970. *Are You There, God? It's Me, Margaret*. Bradbury.
Bloor, Edward. 1997. *Tangerine*. Harcourt.
Byars, Betsy. 1977. *The Pinballs*. Harper.
Holt, Kimberly Willis. 1998. *My Louisiana Sky*. Holt.
Philbrick, Rodman. 1993. *Freak the Mighty*. Scholastic.
Slepian, Jan. 1990. *Risk n' Roses*. Philomel.
Spinelli, Jerry. 2000. *Stargirl*. Knopf.
Williams, Carol Lynch. 1997. *The True Colors of Caitlynn Jackson*. Delacorte.
Salisbury, Graham. 2001. *Lord of the Deep*. Delacorte.

Sports

Brooks, Bruce. 1984. *The Moves Make the Man*. Harper.
Christopher, Matt. 1988. *Tackle Without a Team*. Little, Brown.
Dygaard, Thomas. 1993. *Game Plan*. Morrow.
Hughes, Dean. 1996. *Team Picture*. Atheneum.
Ritter, John. 2000. *Over the Wall*. Philomel.
Spinelli, Jerry. 1996. *Crash*. Knopf.
Slote, Alfred. 1973. *Hang Tough, Paul Mather*. Harper.
Slote, Alfred. 1990. *The Trading Game*. Harper.

Survival

George, Jean Craighead. 1972. *Julie of the Wolves*. Harper.
Hobbs, Will. 1996. *Far North*. Morrow.
Holman, Felice. 1974. *Slake's Limbo*. Scribner's.
O'Dell, Scott. 1960. *Island of the Blue Dolphins*. Houghton Mifflin.

Paulsen, Gary. 1997. *Tucket's Ride*. Delacorte.
Sperry, Armstrong. 1940. *Call It Courage*. Macmillan.
White, Robb. 1972. *Deathwatch*. Doubleday.

Easier to Read

Bulla, Clyde Robert. 1975. *Shoeshine Girl*. Crowell. (Problem.)
Byars, Betsy. 2002. *Little Horse*. Illustrated by David McPhail. Holt. (Animals.)
Christopher, Matt. 1993. *The Dog That Stole Home*. Little, Brown. (Sports.)
Cleary, Beverly. 1990. *Muggie Maggie*. Morrow. (Humor.)
Clements, Andrew. 2001. *Jake Drake, Bully Buster*. Simon. (Humor.)
Dahl, Roald. 1992. *The Vicar of Nibbleswicke*. Viking. (Humor.)
Giff, Patricia Reilly. 1996. *Good Luck, Ronald Morgan*. Viking. (Humor.)
Park, Barbara. 2001. *Junie B., First Grader (at last!)*. Illustrated by Denis Brunkus. Random. (Humor)
Mills, Claudi. 2002. *7 X 9 = Trouble!* Illustrated by G. Brian Karas. Farrar. (Problem, Humor.)
Peck, Robert Newton. 1974. *Soup*. Knopf. (Humor.)
Sachs, Marilyn. 2002. *The Four Ugly Cats in apartment 3D*. Atheneum. (Problem.)
Smith, Doris Buchanan. 1973. *A Taste of Blackberries*. Crowell. (Problem.)
Sobol, Donald. 1963. *Encyclopedia Brown, Boy Detective*. Nelson. (Mystery.)
Stevenson, James. 1995. *The Bones in the Cliff*. Greenwillow. (Mystery.)

Picture Books

Ammon, Richard. 2001. *Amish Horses*. Illustrated by Pamela Patrick. Atheneum.
Baylor, Byrd. 1994. *The Table Where Rich People Sit*. Illustrated by Peter Parnall. Scribner's.
Bunting, Eve. 1994. *Smoky Night*. Illustrated by David Diaz. Harcourt.
Bunting, Eve. 2000. *The Memory String*. Illustrated by Ted Rand. Clarion.
de Paola, Tomie. 1973. *Nana Upstairs & Nana Downstairs*. Viking.
Polacco, Patricia. 1998. *Thank You, Mr. Falker*. Philomel.
Say, Allen. 1997. *Allison*. Houghton Mifflin.
Schertle, Alice. 1995. *Down the Road*. Illustrated by E. B. Lewis. Browndeer/Harcourt.
Seeber, Dorothea. 2000. *A Pup Just for Me: A Boy Just for Me*. Illustrated by Ed Young. Philomel.
Sis, Peter. 2000. *Madlenka*. Foster.
Viorst, Judith. 1995. *Alexander, Who's Not (Do you hear me, I mean it!) Going to Move*. Illustrated by Robin Preiss Glasser. Atheneum.
Woodsen, Jacqueline. 2001. *The Other Side*. Illustrator E. B. Lewis. Putnam.

Notable Authors of Contemporary Realistic Fiction

Blume, Judy: Teen and preteen problem novels.
Byars, Betsy: Preteen problem novels.
Cleary, Beverly: Primary and middle grade humor.
George, Jean Craighead: Ecological fiction.
Giff, Patricia Reilly: Primary and middle grade humor.
Hamilton, Virginia: African-American experience.
Henry, Marguerite: Horse stories.
Holt, Kimberly: Preteen problem novels.
Konigsburg, Elaine L.: Humorous childhood experiences, problem novels.
Lowry, Lois: Teen and preteen problem novels, middle grade humor.

Myers, Walter Dean: African-American experience.
Naylor, Phyllis R.: Mysteries, adolescent humor, animal stories.
Paterson, Katherine: Teen and preteen problem novels.
Paulsen, Gary: Survival and adventure fiction.
Sachar, Louis: Middle grade humor.
Spinelli, Jerry: Teen and preteen problem novels.
Voigt, Cynthia: Teen and preteen problem novels.
Wolff, Virginia Euwer: Teen problem novels.
Yep, Laurence: Chinese-American experience.

Historical Fiction Reading List

Ten of Our Favorites

Conrad, Pam. 1985. *Prairie Songs*. Harper. Louisa's life in a loving pioneer family on the Nebraska prairie is altered by the arrival of a new doctor and his beautiful, tragically frail wife.

Fleischman, Paul. 1993. *Bull Run*. Harper. Northerners, southerners, generals, couriers, dreaming boys, and worried sisters describe the glory, the horror, the thrill, and the disillusionment of the first land battle of the Civil War.

Fletcher, Susan. 1998. *Shadow Spinner*. Atheneum. When Marjan, a thirteen-year-old crippled girl, joins the Sultan's harem in ancient Persia, she gathers for Shahrazad the stories which will save the queen's life.

McCaffrey, Anne. 1996. *Black Horses for the King*. Harcourt. Galwyn, son of a Roman Celt, escapes from his tyrannical uncle and joins Lord Artos, later known as King Arthur, using his talent with languages and way with horses to help secure and care for the Libyan horses that Artos hopes to use in battle against the Saxons.

Pullman, Philip. 1988. *The Ruby in the Smoke*. Knopf. In 19th-century London, 16-year-old Sally, a recent orphan, becomes involved in a deadly search for a mysterious ruby.

Speare, Elizabeth George. 1958. *The Witch of Blackbird Pond*. Houghton Mifflin. In 1687 in Connecticut, Kit Tyler—who feels out of place in the Puritan household of her aunt and befriends an old woman the community thinks is a witch—suddenly finds herself standing trial for witchcraft. Winner of the Newbery Medal.

Taylor, Mildred. 1976. *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*. Dial. A black family living in the South during the 1930s is faced with discrimination. Because the family owns its own land and is uncharacteristically independent for the era, they have an unusually difficult time living with such prejudice. Winner of the Newbery Medal.

Sutcliff, Rosemary. 1995. (originally published 1955). *The Outcast*. Farrar, Straus. Exiled from his ancient British tribe, Beric is captured by the Romans and forced into slavery but harbors the hope of escaping to return to his homeland.

Watkins, Yoko Kawashima. 1986. *So Far From the Bamboo Grove*. Lothrop. A young Japanese girl, her older sister, and her mother struggle to escape the dangers of an angry Korea as World War II ends.

Yolen, Jane. 1988. *The Devil's Arithmetic*. Viking Penguin. Hannah resents the traditions of her Jewish heritage until time travel places her in the middle of a small Jewish village in Nazi-occupied Poland.

Others We Like

Armstrong, William. 1971. *Sour Land*. Harper.

Avi. 1984. *The Fighting Ground*. Lippincott

Collier, James Lincoln, and Christopher Collier. 1974. *My Brother Sam Is Dead*. Four Winds.

Curtis, Paul Curtis. 1995. *The Watsons Go to Birmingham—1963*. Delacorte.

Choi, Sook Nyul. 1991. *Year of Impossible Goodbyes*. Houghton Mifflin.

Forbes, Esther. 1943. *Johnny Tremain*. Houghton Mifflin.

Fox, Paula. 1973. *The Slave Dancer*. Bradbury.

Greene, Bette. 1973. *The Summer of My German Soldier*. Dial.

Hill, Kirkpatrick. 2000. *The year of Miss Agnes*. McElderry.

Hunt, Irene. 1964. *Across Five Aprils*. Follett.

Hunter, Mollie. 1998. *The King's Swift Rider: A Novel on Robert the Bruce*. HarperCollins.

Lasky, Kathryn. 1983. *Beyond the Divide*. Macmillan.

Lasky, Kathryn. 1994. *Beyond the Burning Time*. Scholastic (Blue Sky).

Lasky, Kathryn. 1996. *A Journey to the New World: The Diary of Remember Patience Whipple (Mayflower, 1620)*. Scholastic. (See other titles in the Dear America series.)

Lester, Julius. 2000. *Pharaoh's Daughter*. Harcourt.

Lowry, Lois. 1989. *Number the Stars*. Houghton Mifflin.

McGraw, Eloise. 1961. *The Golden Goblet*. Coward.

Meyer, Carolyn. 2001. *Beware, Princess Elizabeth*. Harcourt.

Orlev, Uri. 1984. *The Island on Bird Street*. Houghton Mifflin.

O'Dell, Scott. 1986. *Streams to the River, River to the Sea: A Novel of Sacagawea*. Houghton Mifflin.

Park, Linda Sue. 2001. *A Single Shard*. Clarion.

Paulsen, Gary. 1993. *Nightjohn*. Delacorte.

Richter, Hans Peter. 1970. *Friedrich*. Holt.

Rostkowski, Margaret I. 1986. *After the Dancing Days*. Harper.

Taylor, Theodore. 1969. *The Cay*. Doubleday.

Tunnell, Michael O. 2001. *Brothers in Valor*. Holiday House.

Uchida, Yoshiko. 1971. *Journey to Topaz*. Scribner's.

Yep, Laurence. 1977. *Dragonwings*. Harper.

Easier to Read

Avi. 1979. *Night Journeys*. Morrow.

Bishop, Claire Huchet. 1990 (1952). *Twenty and Ten*. Scholastic.

Bulla, Clyde Robert. 1956. *The Sword in the Tree*. Crowell.

Coerr, Eleanor. 2002 (1977). *Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes*. Putnam.

Fleischman, Sid. 1986. *The Whipping Boy*. Morrow.

Gardiner, John. 1980. *Stone Fox*. Crowell.

Herman, Charlotte. 1990. *The House on Walenska Street*. Dutton.

MacLachlan, Patricia. 1985. *Sarah, Plain and Tall*. Harper.

McSwigan, Marie. 1942. *Snow Treasure*. Dutton.

Nixon, Joan Lowery. 2000. *Aggie's Home*. Delacorte. (See other titles in the Orphan Train Children series.)

Osborne, Mary Pope. 2000. *My Brother's Keeper: Virginia's Diary (Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, 1868)*. Scholastic. (See other titles in the My America series.)

Turner, Ann. 1985. *Dakota Dugout*. Illustrated by Ronald Himler. Macmillan.

Wilder, Laura Ingalls. 1932. *Little House in the Big Woods*. Harper.

Picture Books

Bruchac, Joseph. 2000. *Squanto's Journey*. Illustrated by Greg Shed. Harcourt.

Bunting, Eve. 1990. *The Wall*. Illustrated by Ronald Himler. Houghton Mifflin.

Gauch, Patricia Lee. 1974. *This Time, Tempe Wick?* Illustrated by Margot Tomes. Coward.

Goble, Paul. 1987. *Death of the Iron Horse*. Bradbury.

Little, Amy. 2001. *Freedom School, Yes!* Illustrated by Floyd Cooper. Philomel.

Lasky, Kathryn. 1997. *Marven of the Great North Woods*. Illustrated by Kevin Hawkes. Harcourt.

McCully, Emily Arnold. 1996. *The Bobbin Girl*. Dial.

Mochizuki, Ken. 1997. *Passage to Freedom: the Sugihara Story*. Illustrated by Dom Lee. Lee & Low.

Otto, Carolyn. 1999. *Pioneer Church*. Illustrated by Megan Lloyd. Holt.

Polacco, Patricia. 1994. *Pink and Say*. Philomel.

Ryan, Pam Muñoz. 1999. *Amelia and eleanor Go for a Ride*. Scholastic.

Sewall, Marcia. 1986. *The Pilgrims of Plimoth*. Atheneum.

Thayer, Ernest Lawrence. 2000. *Casey at the Bat*. Illustrated by Christopher Bing. Handprint.

Tsuchiya, Yukio. 1988. *Faithful Elephants: A True Story of Animals, People and War*. Illustrated by Ted Lewin. Houghton Mifflin.

Uchida, Yoshiko. 1993. *The Bracelet*. Illustrated by Joanna Yardley. Philomel.

Tunnell, Michael O. 1997. *Mailing May*. Illustrated Ted Rand. Greenwillow.

Wiles, Deborah. 2001. *Freedom Summer*. Illustrated by Jerome Lagarrigue. Atheneum.

Winter, Jeanette. 1988. *Follow the Drinking Gourd*. Knopf.

Yin. 2001. *Coolies*. Illustrated by Chris K. Soentpiet. Philomel.

Yolen, Jane. 1992. *Encounter*. Illustrated by David Shannon. Harcourt.

Notable Authors of Historical Fiction

Avi: American history.

Beatty, Patricia, and John Beatty: American Civil War and westward expansion.

Bruchac, Joseph: Native-American history.

Collier, James Lincoln, and Christopher Collier: American Revolution.

Haugaard, Erik Christian: European history.

Hunter, Mollie: British history.

Lasky, Kathryn: American history.

Meyer, Carolyn: European history.

O'Dell, Scott: Native-American history, American West.

Orlev, Uri: Holocaust.

Rinaldi, Ann: American history.

Speare, Elizabeth George: Colonial America.

Sutcliff, Rosemary: Early history of Britain.

Taylor, Mildred: African-American history.

Uchida, Yoshiko: Japanese-American history.

Yep, Laurence: Chinese-American history.

Wilder, Laura Ingalls: Westward expansion.

Biography Reading List **Ten of Our Favorites**

Freedman, Russell. 1987. *Lincoln: A Photobiography*. Clarion. Photographs and text trace the life of the Civil War president. Winner of the Newbery Medal.

- Freedman, Russell. 1999. *Babe Didrikson Zaharias: The Making of a Champion*. Clarion. A biography of Babe Didrikson, who broke records in golf, track and field, and other sports, at a time when there were few opportunities for female athletes.
- Fritz, Jean. 1973. *And Then What Happened, Paul Revere?* Illustrated by Margot Tomes. Coward. A short, illustrated biography of this American Revolution hero. (See the other titles in Fritz's series about personalities from the American Revolution: *Can't You Make Them Behave, King George?*; *What's the Big Idea, Ben Franklin?*; *Where Was Patrick Henry on the 29th of May?*; *Why Don't You Get A Horse, Sam Adams?*; *Will You Sign Here, John Hancock?*)
- Fritz, Jean. 1995. *You Want Women to Vote, Lizzie Stanton*. Putnam. A biography of Elizabeth Cady Stanton who believed in equality for everyone. In the late nineteenth century, she spent her time and energy traveling America to promote women's right to vote.
- Hoose, Phillip. 2001. *We Were There, Too!: Young People in U.S. History*. Farrar. (Collective biography.) Biographies of dozens of young people who made a mark in history, including explorers, planters, spies, cowpunchers, sweatshop workers, and civil rights workers.
- Jiang, Ji Li. 1997. *Red Scarf Girl: A Memoir of the Cultural Revolution*. Harper. (Autobiography/personal narrative.) An outstanding student and much admired leader of her class, Ji Li Jiang was poised for a shining future in the Communist Party until the Cultural Revolution of 1966 threatened her family.
- Krull, Kathleen. 2000. *Lives of Extraordinary Women: Rulers, Rebels (and What the Neighbors Thought)*. Harcourt. (Collective biography.) Focuses on the human sides of twenty of history's most influential women: queens, warriors, prime ministers, first ladies, and revolutionary leaders.
- Paulsen, Gary. 1990. *Woodson*. Bradbury. (Autobiography.) For a rugged outdoor man and his family, life in northern Minnesota is a wild experience involving wolves, deer, and sled dogs. Includes an account of the author's first Iditarod, a dogsled race across Alaska.
- Peet, Bill. 1989. *Bill Peet: An Autobiography*. Houghton Mifflin. (Autobiography.) The well-known author and illustrator relates the story of his life and work, including his years at Disney Studios. A Caldecott Honor Book.
- Stanley, Diane. 1997. *Michelangelo*. Harper. (Picture book biography.) A biography of the Renaissance sculptor, painter, architect, and poet, well known for his work on the Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Cathedral in Rome.

Others We Like

- Ada, Alma Flor. 1998. *Under the Royal Palms*. Atheneum. (Autobiography.)
- Bitton-Jackson, Livia. 1997. *I Have Lived a Thousand Years: Growing Up in the Holocaust*. Simon. (Autobiography/personal narrative.)
- Burleigh, Robert. 1991. *Flight*. Illustrated by Mike Wimmer. Philomel. (Picture book biography.)
- Conrad, Pam. 1991. *Prairie Visions: The Life and Times of Solomon Butcher*. Harper.
- Fleischman, Sid. 1996. *The Abracadabra Kid*. Greenwillow. (Autobiography.)
- Freedman, Russell. 1990. *Franklin Delano Roosevelt*. Clarion.
- Freedman, Russell. 1998. *Martha Graham: A Dancer's Life*. Clarion.
- Fritz, Jean. 1994. *Harriet Beecher Stowe and the Beecher Preachers*. Putnam.
- Giblin, James Cross. 2002. *The Life and Death of Adolf Hitler*. New York: Clarion.
- Golenbock, Peter. 1990. *Teammates*. Illustrated by Paul Bacon. Harcourt. (Picture book biography.)
- Lasky, Kathryn. 1998. *A Brilliant Streak: The Making of Mark Twain*. Illustrated by Barry Moser. Harcourt. (Picture book biography.)
- Marrin, Albert. 2001. *George Washington and the Founding of a Nation*. Dutton.
- Meltzer, Milton. 1990. *Columbus and the World Around Him*. Watts.

- Myers, Walter Dean. 1993. *Malcolm X: By Any Means Necessary*. Scholastic.
- Parks, Rosa (with Jim Haskins). 1992. *Rosa Parks: My Story*. Dial. (Autobiography.)
- Severance, John. 1999. *Einstein: Visionary Scientist*. Clarion.
- St. George, Judith. 2000. *So You Want to Be President?* Illustrated by David Small. Philomel. (Collective biography, picture book.)
- Stanley, Diane. 1998. *Joan of Arc*. Morrow. (Picture book biography.)
- Szabo, Corinne. 1997. *Sky Pioneer: A Photobiography of Amelia Earhart*. National Geographic.
- Uchida, Yoshiko. 1991. *The Invisible Thread*. Messner. (Autobiography.)

Collective Biographies

- Calvert, Patricia. *Great Lives: The American Frontier*. Atheneum. (See other titles in the Great Lives series.)
- Freedman, Russell. 1987. *Indian Chiefs*. Holiday House.
- Glass, Andrew. 2001. *Mountain Men: True Grit and Tall Tales*. Doubleday. (Picture book.)
- Harness, Cheryl. 2001. *Remember the Ladies: 100 Great American Women*. Harper. (Picture book.)
- Krull, Kathleen. 1999. *They Saw the Future: Oracles, Psychics, Scientists, Great Thinkers, and Pretty Good Guessers*. Atheneum.
- Leiner, Katherine. 1996. *First Children: Growing Up in the White House*. Tambourine.
- Lester, Julius. 2001. *The Blues Singers: Ten Who Rocked the World*. Illustrated by Lisa Cohen. Hyperion. (Picture book.)
- Littlefield, Bill. 1993. *Champions: Stories of Ten Remarkable Athletes*. Illustrated by Bernie Fuchs. Little, Brown.
- Meltzer, Milton. 1998. *Ten Queens: Portraits of Women of Power*. Dutton.
- Pinkney, Andrea Davis. 2000. *Let It Shine: Stories of Black Women Freedom Fighters*. Illustrated by Stephen Alcorn. Harcourt.
- Parker, Nancy Winslow. 2001. *Land Ho! Fifty Glorious Years in the Age of Exploration*. Harper. (Picture book.)
- Provensen, Alice. 1995. *My Fellow Americans: A Family Album*. Browndeer/Harcourt. (Picture book.)
- Wisler, Clifton G. 2001. *When Johnny Went Marching: Young Americans Fight the Civil War*. Harper.

Easier to Read

- Adler, David A. 1992. *Benjamin Franklin: Printer, Inventor, Statesman*. (See the other titles in Adler's A First Biography series.)
- DePaola, Tomie. 1999. *26 Fairmount Avenue*. Putnam. (Autobiography.) (See other titles in the 26 Fairmount Avenue series.)
- Fradin, Dennis Brindell. 2002. *Who Was Ben Franklin?* Grosset & Dunlap. (See other titles in the Who Was series.)
- Freedman, Russell. 1997. *Out of the Darkness: The Story of Louis Braille*. Clarion.
- Gormley, Beatrice. 2001. *Laura Ingalls Wilder: Young Pioneer*. Aladdin. (See other titles in the Childhood of Famous Americans series.)
- Greenfield, Eloise. 1995 (1973). *Rosa Parks*. Illustrated by Gil Ashby. Harper.
- Holub, Joan. 2001. *Vincent van Gogh: Sunflowers and Swirly Stars*. Grosset & Dunlap. (See other titles in the Smart about Art series.)
- Kerby, Monica. 1990. *Amelia Earhart: Courage in the Sky*. Viking. (See other books in the Women of Our Time series.)
- Kramer, S. A. 1995. *Ty Cobb: Bad Boy of Baseball*. Random House.

- Mayo, Margaret. 2000. *Brother Sun, Sister Moon: The Life and Stories of St. Francis*. Little, Brown.
- Meaderis, Angela Shelf. 1994. *Little Louis and the Jazz Band*. Lodestar/Dutton.
- Osborne, Mary Pope. 1987. *The Story of Christopher Columbus, Admiral of the Ocean Sea*. Dell. (See other books in the Dell Yearling Biography series.)

Picture Books

- Adler, David A. 2000. *A Picture Book of Sacagawea*. (See the other titles in Adler's Picture Book of ... series.)
- Bildner, Phil. 2002. *Shoeless Joe & Black Betsy*. Illustrated by C. F. Payne. Simon.
- Blos, Joan. 1991. *The Heroine of the Titanic: A Tale Both True and Otherwise of the Life of Molly Brown*. Illustrated by Tennessee Dixon. Morrow.
- Bridges, Ruby. 1999. *Through My Eyes*. Scholastic. (Autobiography.)
- Cooney, Barbara. 1996. *Eleanor*. Viking.
- Corey, Shana. 2000. *You Forgot Your Skirt, Amelia Bloomer!* Illustrated by Chesley McLaren. Scholastic.
- Crews, Donald. 1991. *Bigmama's*. Greenwillow. (Autobiography.)
- Demi. 2001. *Gandhi*. McElderry.
- Fisher, Leonard Everett. 1999. *Alexander Graham Bell*. Atheneum.
- Giblin, James Cross. 2000. *The Amazing Life of Benjamin Franklin*. Scholastic.
- Golenbock, Peter. 2001. *Hank Aaron: Brave in Every Way*. Illustrated by Paul Bacon. Harcourt.
- Hurst, Carol Otis. 2001. *Rocks in His Head*. Illustrated by James Stevenson. Greenwillow.
- Kellogg, Steven. 1988. *Johnny Appleseed*. Morrow.
- Kerley, Barbara. 2001. *The Dinosaurs of Waterhouse Hawkins*. Illustrated by Brian Selznick. Scholastic.
- Krensky, Stephen. 2001. *Shooting for the Moon: The Amazing Life and Times of Annie Oakley*. Farrar.
- Lasky, Kathryn. 1994. *The Librarian Who Measured the Earth*. Illustrated by Kevin Hawkes. Little, Brown.
- Martin, Jacquelin Briggs. 1998. *Snowflake Bentley*. Illustrated by Mary Azarian. Houghton.
- Moss, Marissa. 2001. *Brave Harriet*. Illustrated by C. F. Payne. Harcourt.
- Rumford, James. 2001. *Traveling Man: The Journey of Ibn Battuta, 1325-1354*. Houghton.
- Stanley, Diane. 1998. *Joan of Arc*. Morrow.
- Stevenson, James. 1992. *Don't You Know There's a War On?* Greenwillow. (Autobiography.)

Notable Biographers

- Adler, David: Picture book and simplified biographies.
- Fisher, Leonard Everett: Picture book biography.
- Freedman, Russell: Photobiographies.
- Fritz, Jean: American history biographies.
- Giblin, James Cross: Picture book and complete biographies; social histories.
- Krull, Kathleen: Collective biographies.
- Marrin, Albert: Biographies for middle school and junior high school readers.
- Meltzer, Milton: Biographies and social histories.
- Severance, John: Complete biographies.
- Stanley, Diane: Picture book biographies for older readers.

Informational Book Reading List

Ten of Our Favorites

- Armstrong, Jennifer. 1998. *Shipwreck at the Bottom of the World: The Extraordinary True Story of Shackleton and the Endurance*. Crown. Describes the events of the 1914 Shackleton Antarctic

expedition when, after being trapped in a frozen sea for nine months, their ship, *Endurance*, was finally crushed, forcing Shackleton and his men to make a very long and perilous journey across ice and stormy seas to reach inhabited land.

- Cobb, Vicki, and Kathy Darling. 1980. *Bet You Can't: Science Impossibilities to Fool You*. Lothrop. A science experiment book that uses tricks as a medium for teaching science principles.
- Freedman, Russell. 1994. *Kids at Work: Lewis Hine and the Crusade Against Child Labor*. Photographs by Lewis Hine. Clarion. A photoessay filled with many of the photographs Lewis Hine secretly took in order to expose the cruelties of child labor in the United States during the early 20th century.
- Fritz, Jean. 2001. *Leonardo's Horse*. Illustrated by Hudson Talbot. Putnam. Leonardo da Vinci sculpted in clay a horse two-and-a-half stories high with plans to cast it in bronze. He never completed the project, but Charles Dent, a twentieth-century airline pilot who loved art, fulfilled Leonardo's dream almost five hundred years later.
- Isaacson, Philip M. 2001 (1988). *Round Buildings, Square Buildings, & Buildings That Wiggle Like a Fish*. Knopf. Explores various architectural styles around the world depicting churches, fortresses, bridges, air terminals, mills, cliff dwellings, tombs, and lighthouses of particular note.
- Micklethwaite, Lucy. 1993. *A Child's Book of Art: Great Pictures, First Words*. Famous paintings are used to introduce basic concepts (seasons, weather, opposites, colors, counting, etc.) to young children.
- Murphy, Jim. 1990. *The Boys' War*. Clarion. Documents the lives of the young boys who actually fought in the American Civil War. Illustrated with archival photographs.
- Schwartz, Alvin. 1974. *Cross Your Fingers, Spit in Your Hat: Superstitions and Other Beliefs*. Lippincott. Superstitions collected into 23 categories such as love and marriage, money, ailments, travel, weather, school, and death.
- Simon, Seymour. 1997 (1980). *Strange Mysteries*. Morrow. Describes nine strange phenomena and possible explanations for them, including the day it rained frogs, an atomic explosion that occurred 40 years before the atom bomb, and an eerie crystal skull.
- Stanley, Jerry. 1992. *Children of the Dust Bowl: The True Story of the School at Weedpatch Camp*. Crown. Describes the plight of the migrant workers who traveled from the Dust Bowl to California during the Depression and were forced to live in a federal labor camp and then focuses on the marvelous school that was built for their children.

Others We Like

- Allison, Linda. 1976. *Blood and Guts*. Little, Brown.
- Ambrose, Stephen. 2001. *The Good Fight: How World War II Was Won*. Atheneum.
- Arnosky, Jim. 1999. *Crinkleroot's Nature Almanac*. Simon.
- Bachrach, Susan D. 2000. *The Nazi Olympics: Berlin 1936*. Little, Brown.
- Bartoletti, Susan Campbell. 2001. *Black Potatoes: The Story of the Great Irish Famine, 1845-1850*. Houghton.
- Bauer, Marion Dane. 1992. *What's Your Story?* Clarion.
- Blumberg, Rhoda. 1985. *Commodore Perry in the Land of the Shogun*. Lothrop.
- Cohn, Amy L., compiler. 1993. *From Sea to Shining Sea: A Treasury of American Folklore and Folk Songs*. Illustrated by eleven Caldecott Medal and four Caldecott Honor Book artists. Scholastic.
- Cone, Molly. 1992. *Come Back, Salmon*. Photographs by Sidnee Wheelwright. Sierra Club.
- Curlee, Lynn. 2002. *Seven Wonders of the Ancient World*. Atheneum.

- Dash, Joan. 2000. *The Longitude Prize*. Farrar.
- Freedman, Russell. 2000. *Give Me Liberty!: The Story of the Declaration of Independence*. Holiday House.
- Giblin, James Cross. 1990. *The Riddle of the Rosetta Stone*. Crowell.
- Henderson, Douglas. 2000. *Asteroid Impact*. Dial
- Irvine, Joan. 1992. *How to Make Super Pop-Ups*. Beech Tree.
- Jackson, Donna M. 1996. *The Bone Detectives: How Forensic Anthropologists Solve Crimes and Uncover Mysteries of the Dead*. Photographs by Charlie Fellenbaum. Little, Brown.
- Jones, Charlotte Foltz. 1996. *Accidents May Happen: Fifty Inventions Discovered by Mistake*. Delacorte.
- Lasky, Kathryn. 2001. *Interrupted Journey: Saving Endangered Sea Turtles*. Photographs by Christopher Knight. Candlewick.
- Lauber, Patricia. 1998. *Painters of the Caves*. National Geographic.
- Macaulay, David. 1988. *The Way Things Work*. Houghton.
- McKissack, Patricia, and Fredrick L. McKissack. 1994. *Christmas in the Big House, Christmas in the Quarters*. Illustrated by John Thompson. Scholastic.
- Meltzer, Milton. 1993. *Gold: The True Story of Why People Search for It, Mine It, Trade It, Steal It, Mint It, Horde It, Shape It, Wear It, Fight and Kill for It*. Harper.
- Patterson, Francine. 1985. *Koko's Kitten*. Scholastic.
- Platt, Richard. 1993. *Stephen Biesty's Cross-Sections: Man of War*. Dorling Kindersley.
- Roehrig, Catharine. 1990. *Fun with Hieroglyphics*. Viking.
- Rogasky, Barbara. 2002 (1988). *Smoke and Ashes*. Holiday House.
- Schwartz, Alvin. 1981. *Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark*. Harper.
- Simon, Seymour. 1979. *Pets in a Jar*. Puffin.
- Stolley, Richard B. (Ed.). 2000. *LIFE: Our Century in Pictures for Young People*. Little, Brown.
- Swanson, Diane. 1994. *Safari Beneath the Sea: The Wonder World of the North Pacific Coast*. Photographs by the Royal British Columbia Museum. Sierra Club.
- Tunnell, Michael O., and George W. Chilcoat. 1996. *The Children of Topaz: The Story of a Japanese-American Internment Camp Based on a Classroom Diary*. Holiday House.
- Walker, Barbara M. 1979. *The Little House Cookbook: Frontier Foods from Laura Ingalls Wilder's Classic Stories*. Illustrated by Garth Williams. Harper.

Easier to Read

- Bare, Colleen Stanley. 1989. *Never Kiss an Alligator*. Dutton.
- Fritz, Jean. 1987. *Shh! We're Writing the Constitution*. Illustrated by Tomie dePaola. Putnam.
- George, Jean Craighead. 2000. *How to Talk to Your Dog*. Illustrated by Sue Truesdell. Harper.
- George, Jean Craighead. 2002. *Summer Moon*. Harper. (See others in the Seasons of the Moon series.)
- Getz, David. 1994. *Frozen Man*. Illustrated by Peter McCarty. Holt.
- Getz, David. 2000. *Purple Death*. Illustrated by Peter McCarty. Holt.
- Grover, Wayne. 1993. *Dolphin Adventure*. Greenwillow.
- Lavies, Bianca. 1993. *Compost Critters*. Dutton.
- Markle, Sandra. 2000. *Outside and Inside Dinosaurs*. Atheneum.
- Martin, James. 1993. *Tentacles*. Crown.
- Osborne, Will and Mary Pope Osborne. 2000. *Knights and Castles*. Random House. (See others in the Magic Tree House Research Guide series.)
- Simon, Seymour. 1979. *Animal Fact/Animal Fable*. Illustrated by Diane de Groat. Crown.

- Snedden, Robert. 1996. *Yuck!: A Big Book of Little Horrors—Micromarvels In, On, and Around You!* Simon.
- Sobol, Donald J., and Rose Sobol. 1991. *Encyclopedia Brown's Book of Strange but True Crimes*. Illustrated by John Zielinski. Scholastic.
- Trumble, Kelly. 1996. *Cat Mummies*. Illustrated by Laszlo Kubinyi. Clarion.

Picture Books

- Aliki. 1979. *Mummies Made in Egypt*. Harper.
- Ammon, Richard. 2000. *Conestoga Wagons*. Illustrated by Bill Farnsworth. Holiday House.
- Appelbaum, Diana. 1993. *Giants in the Land*. Illustrated by Michael McCurdy. Houghton.
- Ardley, Neil. 1995. *A Young Person's Guide to Music*. Dorling Kindersley.
- Burleigh, Robert. 1991. *Flight: The Journey of Charles Lindbergh*. Illustrated by Mike Wimmer. Philomel.
- Curlee, Lynn. 2001. *Brooklyn Bridge*. Atheneum.
- Curlee, Lynn. 2000. *Liberty*. Atheneum.
- Heller, Ruth. 1998. *Fantastic! Wow! And Unreal!: A Book About Interjections and Conjunctions*. Grosset & Dunlap.
- Hooper, Meredith. 2001. *Who Built the Pyramid*. Illustrated by Robin Heighway-Bury. Candlewick.
- Macaulay, David. 1975. *Castle*. Houghton.
- Miller, Jonathan. 1983. *The Human Body*. Viking.
- Schwartz, David. 1985. *How Much Is a Million?* Illustrated by Steven Kellogg. Lothrop.
- Simon, Seymour. 2001. *Animals Nobody Loves*. SeaStar.
- Spier, Peter. 1980. *People*. Doubleday.
- Sturges, Philemon. 2000. *Sacred Places*. Illustrated by Giles Laroche. Putnam.
- Weitzman, Jacqueline Preiss. 2000. *You Can't Take a Balloon Into the National Gallery*. Illustrated by Robin Preiss Glasser. Dial.
- Wilkes, Angela. 2001. *A Farm Through Time: The History of a Farm from Medieval Times to the Present Day*. Illustrated by Eric Thomas. DK Books.

Publishers of Informational Books

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Informational Series

For each series of informational books mentioned next, two sample titles are included. The number in parentheses indicates how many titles were in that series as of fall 2002. That number naturally will change with time but provides a general idea of the series size.

Brown Paper School Books (19 titles). Hands-on activities and compelling views of both traditional and nontraditional subjects. Examples include:

Booth, Jerry. 1988. *The Big Beast Book*. Little, Brown.

Burns, Marilyn. 1976. *The Book of Think (or How to Solve a Problem Twice Your Size)*. Little, Brown.

Don't Know Much About . . . (15 titles). Unusual facts and interesting perspectives about a variety of common topics. Examples include:

Davis, Kenneth C. 2001. *Don't Know Much About Planet Earth*. Harper.

Davis, Kenneth C. 2002. *Don't Know Much About George Washington*. Harper.

Extremely Weird (16 titles) and *Bizarre & Beautiful* (5 titles). Illustrated with lavish photographs, each title in these two similar series presents unusual animals or strange physical characteristics of animals. Examples include:

Lovett, Sarah. 1993. *Extremely Weird Snakes*. John Muir.

Santa Fe Writers Group. 1993. *Bizarre & Beautiful Noses*. John Muir.

Imponderables (11 titles). Explanations of events, traditions, and happenings in everyday life. Written for adults; devoured by children. Examples include:

Feldman, David. 1996. *How Do Astronauts Scratch an Itch?* Harper.

Feldman, David. 1995. *What Are Hyenas Luagging at, Anyway?* Harper.

Inside Story (15 titles). Detailed cutaway views of the construction and function of historical structures and other engineering marvels. Examples include:

MacDonald, Fiona. 1996. *The Roman Colosseum*. Peter Bedrick.

Steedman, Scott. 1993. *A Frontier Fort on the Oregon Trail*. Peter Bedrick.

Let's Read-and-Find-Out Science (77 titles—24 Stage 1 [preschool and kindergarten]; 53 Stage 2 [grades 1–3]). Science concepts for preschool through third grade. Examples include:

Esbensen, Barbara Juster. 1993. *Sponges Are Skeletons*. Illustrated by Holly Keller.

Harper. (Stage 2.)

Otto, Carolyn. 1996. *What Color Is Camouflage?* Illustrated by Megan Lloyd. Harper. (Stage 1.)

Magic School Bus (10 titles—plus 6 more based on separate episodes from the animated TV series).

Ms. Frizzle takes her class on field trips in a special bus that can change size and function as it travels through various parts of the universe—the human digestive system, the earth's crust, a hurricane, the solar system, and the generators and electric wires that bring power to a town.

- Cole, Joanna. 1997. *The Magic School Bus and the Electric Field Trip*. Illustrated by Bruce Degen. Scholastic.
- Cole, Joanna. 1996. *The Magic School Bus Inside a Beehive*. Illustrated by Bruce Degen. Scholastic.
- See More Readers* (10 titles). Natural and physical science in beginning chapter book format at three different levels. Examples include:
- Simon, Seymour. 2002. *Danger! Earthquakes*. SeaStar.
- Simon, Seymour. 2002. *Wild Bears*. SeaStar.
- Smart About Art* (4 titles). Written in the format of a child's report, each title presents humanizing facts and interesting information about a well-known artist. Examples include:
- Holub, Joan. 2001. *Vincent van Gogh: Sunflowers and Swirly Stars*. Grosset.
- O'Conner, Jane. 2002. *Henri Matisse: Drawing with Scissors*. Grosset.
- Smart About History* (2 titles). Personalized view of history from a child's perspective. Examples include:
- Driscoll, Laura. 2002. *Negro Leagues*. Grosset.
- Holub, Joan. 2002. *Valley of the Golden Mummies*. Grosset.
- What Makes a ... a ... ?* (10 titles). Each title focuses on the style, subject matter, and contribution of one famous artist.
- Mühlberger, Richard. 1993. *What Makes a Monet a Monet?* Viking.
- Mühlberger, Richard. 1994. *What Makes a Picasso a Picasso?* Viking.

Notable Authors and Illustrators of Informational Books

- Aliki: Informational picture books for younger readers.
- Ancona, George: Photographer and author of photoessays.
- Arnosky, Jim: Illustrator and author of nature books.
- Blumberg, Rhoda: History—transcontinental railroad, California gold rush, Louisiana Purchase, Commodore Perry in Japan.
- Burns, Marilyn: Math topics, primarily hands-on math activities.
- Cobb, Vicki: Hands-on science books.
- Cole, Joanna: Science topics, notably the Magic School Bus series.
- Fisher, Leonard Everett: Illustrator and author of books on a variety of topics—architecture, historical figures and events, social history.
- Gibbons, Gail: Informational picture books for preschool and primary grades on a vast variety of topics.
- Giblin, James Cross: Informational chapter books about unique subjects—scarecrows; histories of chairs, windows, and eating utensils; plagues; Rosetta Stone; chimney sweeps.
- Heller, Ruth: Illustrator and author of brilliantly colored picture books about the individual parts of speech and about plants and animals.
- Lasky, Kathryn, and Christopher Knight: Wife (author) and husband (photographer) team; photoessays, primarily about nature topics.
- Lauber, Patricia: Physical and natural science topics.
- Markle, Sandra: Natural science, math, and computer books.
- McKissack, Patricia, and Fredrick McKissack: Wife and husband team; books primarily about African-American history.
- Meltzer, Milton: Social histories; known particularly for presenting history using the words of those people who lived through it.
- Murphy, James: U.S. social histories—immigrant train, Chicago fire, Civil War.

Pringle, Laurence: Natural and physical science books.

Schwartz, Alvin: Specialist in American folk culture; collects superstitions, legends and true stories, scary stories, tongue-twisters.

Simon, Seymour: Physical and natural science topics.

Swanson, Diane: Natural science topics, particularly animals.

Picture Book Reading List

Fifteen of Our Favorites

Alexander, Lloyd. 1992. *The Fortune-tellers*. Illustrated by Trina Schart Hyman. Dutton. (Picture story.) A carpenter goes to a fortune-teller and finds the predictions about his future come true in an unusual way.

Anno, Mitsumasa. 1977. *Anno's Counting Book*. Crowell. (Counting.) A counting book depicting the growth in a village and surrounding countryside during 12 months.

Crews, Donald. 1978. *Freight Train*. Greenwillow. (Concept.) Colors and the names of the cars on a freight train are introduced with sparse but rhythmic text and brilliantly colored illustrations. A Caldecott Honor Book.

Henkes, Kevin. 1990. *Julius, the Baby of the World*. Greenwillow. (Picture story.) Lilly is convinced that the arrival of her new baby brother is the worst thing that has happened in their house, until Cousin Garland comes to visit.

Hepworth, Cathi. 1992. *Antics! An Alphabetical Anthology*. Putnam. (ABC.) Alphabet entries from A to Z all have an "ant" somewhere in the word, such as *E* for Enchanter, *P* for Pantaloons, *S* for Santa Claus, and *Y* for Your Ant Yetta.

Mayer, Mercer. 1974. *Frog Goes to Dinner*. Dial. (Wordless.) Having stowed away in a pocket, Frog wreaks havoc and disgraces his human family at the posh restaurant where they are having dinner.

Parish, Peggy. 1963. *Amelia Bedelia*. Illustrated by Fritz Siebel. Harper. (Beginning reader.) A literal-minded housekeeper causes a ruckus in the household when she attempts to make sense of some instructions.

Peet, Bill. 1982. *Big Bad Bruce*. Houghton Mifflin. (Picture story.) Bruce, a bear bully, never picks on anyone his own size until he is diminished in more ways than one by a small but very independent witch.

Sendak, Maurice. 1963. *Where the Wild Things Are*. Harper. (Picture story.) A naughty little boy, sent to bed without his supper, sails to the land of the Wild Things, where he becomes their king. Winner of the Caldecott Medal.

Steig, William. 1982. *Doctor DeSoto*. Farrar. (Picture story.) A clever mouse dentist outwits his wicked fox patient. A Newbery Honor Book.

Turkle, Brinton. 1981. *Do Not Open*. Dutton. (Picture story.) Following a storm, Miss Moody and her cat find an intriguing bottle washed up on the beach. Should they ignore its "Do not open" warning?

Van Allsburg, Chris. 1981. *Jumanji*. Houghton Mifflin. (Picture story.) Left on their own for an afternoon, two bored and restless children find more excitement than they bargain for in a mysterious and mystical jungle adventure board game. Winner of the Caldecott Medal.

Waber, Bernard. 1972. *Ira Sleeps Over*. Houghton Mifflin. (Picture story.) A little boy is excited at the prospect of spending the night at his friend's house but worries about how he'll get along without his teddy bear.

Wells, Rosemary. 1979. *Max's First Word*. Dial. (Baby/board.) It seems Max can say only one word, no matter how hard his older sister tries to teach him others.

Wiesner, David. 1999. *Sector 7*. Clarion. (Wordless.) While on a school trip to the Empire State Building, a boy is taken by a friendly cloud to visit Sector 7, where he discovers how clouds are shaped and channeled throughout the country.

Others We Like

ABC

Aylesworth, Jim. 1992. *Old Black Fly*. Illustrated by Stephen Gammell. Holt.

Azarian, Mary. 1981. *A Farmer's Alphabet*. Godine.

Ehlert, Lois. 1989. *Eating the Alphabet*. Harcourt.

Garten, Jan. 1994 (1964). *Alphabet Tale*. Illustrated by Muriel Batherman. Greenwillow.

Hoban, Tana. 1982. *A, B, See!* Greenwillow.

Johnson, Stephen T. 1995. *Alphabet City*. Viking.

Jonas, Ann. 1990. *Aardvarks, Disembark!* Greenwillow.

Kitchen, Bert. 1984. *Animal Alphabet*. Dial.

Lester, Mike. 2000. *A Is for Salad*. Putnam.

Lobel, Anita. 1990. *Allison's Zinnia*. Greenwillow.

Lobel, Arnold. 1981. *On Market Street*. Illustrated by Anita Lobel. Greenwillow.

MacDonald, Suse. 1986. *Alphabatics*. Bradbury.

Martin, Bill, Jr., and John Archambault. 1989. *Chicka Chicka Boom Boom*. Illustrated by Lois Ehlert. Holt.

Provinsen, Alice, and Martin Provinsen. 1978. *A Peaceable Kingdom: The Shaker Abecedarius*. Viking.

Shannon, George. 1996. *Tomorrow's Alphabet*. Illustrated by Donald Crews. Greenwillow.

Van Allsburg, Chris. 1987. *The Z Was Zapped: A Play in Twenty-Six Acts*. Houghton Mifflin.

Counting

Anno, Mitsumasa. 1982. *Anno's Counting House*. Philomel.

Base, Graeme. 2002. *The Water Hole*. Abrams.

Bourke, Linda. 1995. *Eye Count: A Book of Counting Puzzles*. Chronicle.

Fleming, Denise. 1992. *Count!* Holt.

Geisert, Arthur. 1992. *Pigs from 1 to 10*. Houghton Mifflin.

Giganti, Paul, Jr. 1992. *Each Orange Had 8 Slices: A Counting Book*. Illustrated by Donald Crews. Greenwillow.

Grossman, Virginia. 1991. *Ten Little Rabbits*. Illustrated by Sylvia Long. Chronicle.

Hoban, Tana. 1985. *1, 2, 3*. Greenwillow.

Hutchins, Pat. 1982. *1 Hunter*. Greenwillow.

Johnson, Stephen T. 1998. *City by Numbers*. Viking.

Kitchen, Bert. 1987. *Animal Numbers*. Dial.

Merriam, Eve. 1993. *12 Ways to Get to 11*. Illustrated by Bernie Karlin. Simon & Schuster.

Pacovská, Kveta. 1990. *One, Five, Many*. Clarion.

Scott, Ann Herbert. 1990. *One Good Horse: A Cowpuncher's Counting Book*. Illustrated by Lynn Sweat. Greenwillow.

Sloat, Teri. 1991. *From One to One Hundred*. Dutton.

Walsh, Ellen Stoll. 1991. *Mouse Count*. Harcourt.

Concept

- Barton, Byron. 1986. *Trains*. Crowell.
- Davis, Lee. 1994. *The Lifesize Animal Opposites Book*. Dorling Kindersley.
- Ehlert, Lois. 1989. *Color Zoo*. Lippincott.
- Jonas, Ann. 1989. *Color Dance*. Greenwillow.
- Hoban, Tana. 1978. *Is It Red? Is It Yellow? Is It Blue?* Greenwillow.
- Hoban, Tana. 1990. *Exactly the Opposite*. Greenwillow.
- Hoban, Tana. 1997. *Look Book*. Harper.
- Koch, Michelle. 1991. *Hoot, Howl, Hiss*. Greenwillow.
- McMillan, Bruce. 1991. *Eating Fractions*. Scholastic.
- Micklethwait, Lucy. 1995. *Spot a Dog*. Dorling Kindersley.
- Payne, Nina. 2001. *Four in All*. Illustrated by Adam Payne. Front Street.
- Scieszka, Jon. 1995. *Math Curse*. Illustrated by Lane Smith. Viking.
- Schwartz, David M. 1999. *If You Hopped Like a Frog*. Illustrated by James Warhola. Scholastic.
- Serfozo, Mary. 1988. *Who Said Red?* Illustrated by Keiko Narahashi. McElderry.
- Walsh, Ellen Stoll. 1989. *Mouse Paint*. Harcourt.

Participation

- Ahlberg, Janet, and Allan Ahlberg. 1979. *Each Peach Pear Plum*. Viking.
- Anno, Mitsumasa. 1983. *Anno's U.S.A.* Philomel.
- Burton, Marilee Robin. 1988. *Tail Toes Eyes Ears Nose*. Harper.
- Carlstrom, Nancy. 1986. *Jesse Bear, What Will You Wear?* Macmillan.
- Gág, Wanda. 1928. *Millions of Cats*. Putnam.
- Handford, Martin. 1987. *Where's Waldo?* Little, Brown.
- Hill, Eric. 2001. *Spot Goes to School*. Putnam.
- Kinght, Hilary. 2000 (1964). *Where's Wallace?* Simon & Schuster.
- Martin, Bill, Jr. 1993. *Old Devil Wind*. Illustrated by Barry Root. Harcourt.
- Marzollo, Jean. 1997. *I Spy Super Challenger: A Book of Picture Riddles*. Photographs by Walter Wick. Scholastic.
- Munro, Roxie. 2001. *Mazescares*. SeaStar.
- Yoshi. 1987. *Who's Hiding Here?* Picture Book Studio.

Wordless

- Baker, Jeannie. 1991. *Window*. Greenwillow.
- Briggs, Raymond. 1978. *The Snowman*. Random.
- Day, Alexandra. 1985. *Good Dog, Carl*. Green Tiger.
- Hutchins, Pat. 1971. *Changes, Changes*. Macmillan.
- Goodall, John. 1988. *Little Red Riding Hood*. McElderry.
- Goodall, John. 1998. *Castle Creep*. McElderry.
- McCully, Emily Arnold. 1988. *The Christmas Gift*. Harper.
- McCully, Emily. 2001. *Four Hungry Kittens*. Dial.
- Spier, Peter. 1977. *Noah's Ark*. Doubleday.
- Spier, Peter. 1982. *Rain*. Doubleday.
- Rohmann, Eric. 1994. *Time Flies*. Crown.
- Wiesner, David. 1988. *Free Fall*. Lothrop.
- Wiesner, David. 1991. *Tuesday*. Clarion.

Wouters, Anne. 1992. *This Book Is Too Small*. Dutton.

Predictable

Brown, Margaret Wise. 1947. *Goodnight Moon*. Harper.

Carlstrom, Nancy White. 1986. *Jesse Bear, What Will You Wear?* Illustrated by Bruce Degen. Macmillan.

Carle, Eric. 1969. *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*. Philomel.

Carle, Eric. 1990. *The Very Quiet Cricket*. Philomel.

Emberley, Barbara. 1967. *Drummer Hoff*. Illustrated by Ed Emberley. Prentice Hall.

Fox, Mem. 1988. *Hattie and the Fox*. Illustrated by Patricia Mullins. Bradbury.

Martin, Bill, Jr. 1964. *Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?* Illustrated by Eric Carle. Holt.

Numeroff, Laura Joffe. 1985. *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie*. Illustrated by Felicia Bond. Harper. (See other books in the "If You Give . . ." series.)

Rosen, Michael. 1989. *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*. Illustrated by Helen Oxenbury. McElderry.

Sendak, Maurice. 1962. *Chicken Soup with Rice*. Harper.

Shaw, Nancy. 1986. *Sheep in a Jeep*. Illustrated by Margot Shaw. Houghton Mifflin. (See the other books in the "Sheep in a . . ." series.)

Slobodkina, Esphyr. 1947. *Caps for Sale*. Addison-Wesley.

Taback, Simms. 1997. *There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly*. Viking.

Waddell, Martin. 1992. *Farmer Duck*. Illustrated by Helen Oxenbury. Candlewick.

Wood, Audrey. 1984. *The Napping House*. Illustrated by Don Wood. Harcourt.

Yolen, Jane. 2000. *Off We Go!* Illustrated by Laura Molk. Little, Brown.

Beginning Reader

Baker, Barbara. 1988. *Digby and Kate*. Illustrated by Marsha Winborn. Dutton.

Bowers, Tim. 2002. *A New Home*. Harcourt.

Bulla, Clyde Robert. 1987. *The Chalk Box Kid*. Illustrated by Thomas B. Allen. Random.

Byars, Betsy. 1990. *Hooray for the Golly Sisters!* Illustrated by Sue Truesdell. Harper.

Clements, Andrew. 2001. *Ringo Saves the Day: A True Story*. Illustrated by Ellen Beier. Simon & Schuster.

Cohen, Miriam. 1990. *First Grade Takes a Test*. Illustrated by Lillian Hoban. Greenwillow.

Krensky, Stephen. 2000. *Lionel at School*. Illustrated by Susanna Natti. Dial.

Lobel, Arnold. 1970. *Frog and Toad Are Friends*. Harper.

Lobel, Arnold. 1981. *Uncle Elephant*. Harper.

Minarik, Elsa. 1957. *Little Bear*. Illustrated by Maurice Sendak. Harper.

Moses, Brian. 2000. *Winking, Blinking, Wiggling, and Wagging*. DK Publishing.

Rylant, Cynthia. 1990. *Henry and Mudge and the Happy Cat*. Illustrated by Suçie Stevenson. Bradbury.

Rylant, Cynthia. 2000. *Henry and Mudge and Annie's Perfect Pet*. Illustrated by Suçie Stevenson. Simon & Schuster.

Rylant, Cynthia. 1997. *Poppleton*. Illustrated by Mark Teague. Blue Sky (Scholastic).

Sharmat, Marjorie. 2001. *Nate the Great and the Big Sniff*. Illustrated by Martha Weston. Delacorte.

Seuss, Dr. 1957. *The Cat in the Hat*. Houghton Mifflin.

Van Leeuwen, Jean. 1990. *Oliver Pig at School*. Illustrated by Ann Schweninger. Dial.

Picture Story

Ackerman, Karen. 1988. *Song and Dance Man*. Illustrated by Stephen Gammell. Knopf.

Agee, Jon. 1988. *The Incredible Painting of Felix Clousseau*. Farrar.

Agee, Jon. 2001. *Milo's Hat Trick*. Hyperion.

Allard, Harry. 1977. *Miss Nelson Is Missing*. Illustrated by James Marshall. Houghton Mifflin.

Bemelmans, Ludwig. 1939. *Madeline*. Viking.

Browne, Anthony. 2000. *Willy's Pictures*. Candlewick.

Bunting, Eve. 1989. *The Wednesday Surprise*. Illustrated by Donald Carrick. Clarion.

Burningham, John. 1985. *Grandpa*. Crown.

Carle, Eric. 1989. *The Very Busy Spider*. Philomel.

Cooney, Barbara. 1982. *Miss Rumphius*. Viking.

Crowe, Robert. 1976. *Clyde Monster*. Illustrated by Kay Choro. Dutton.

Demi. 1997. *One Grain of Rice: A Mathematical Folktale*. Scholastic.

dePaola, Tomie. 1975. *Strega Nona*. Prentice Hall.

Falconer, Ian. 2000. *Olivia*. Atheneum.

Fox, Mem. *Possum Magic*. 1990. Illustrated by Julie Vivas. Harcourt.

Cronin, Doreen. 2000. *Click, Clack, Moo: Cows that Type*. Illustrated by Betsy Lewin. Simon & Schuster.

Hoban, Russell. 1964. *Bread and Jam for Frances*. Illustrated by Lillian Hoban. Harper.

Keats, Ezra Jack. 1971. *Apt. 3*. Macmillan.

Kellogg, Steven. 1979. *Pinkerton, Behave!* Dial.

Lionni, Leo. 1967. *Frederick*. Knopf.

Mayer, Mercer. 1968. *There's a Nightmare in My Closet*. Dial.

McCloskey, Robert. 1948. *Blueberries for Sal*. Viking.

Meddaugh, Susan. 1994. *Martha Calling*. Houghton Mifflin.

Peet, Bill. 1983. *Buford the Little Bighorn*. Houghton Mifflin.

Rathmann, Peggy. 1995. *Officer Buckle and Gloria*. Putnam.

Rylant, Cynthia. 1985. *The Relatives Came*. Illustrated by Stephen Gammell. Bradbury.

Schwartz, Amy. 1988. *Anabelle Swift, Kindergartner*. Orchard.

Scieszka, Jon. 1989. *The True Story of the Three Little Pigs!* Illustrated by Lane Smith. Viking.

Seuss, Dr. (Theodore Geisel). 1938. *The 500 Hats of Bartholomew Cubbins*. Vanguard.

Shulevitz, Uri. 1998. *Snow*. Farrar, Straus, and Giroux.

Small, David. 1985. *Imogene's Antlers*. Crown.

Stevens, Janet. 1995. *Tops and Bottoms*. Harcourt.

Stevenson, James. 1977. *Could Be Worse!* Greenwillow.

Stutson, Caroline. 1993. *By the Light of the Halloween Moon*. Illustrated Kevin Hawkes. Lothrop.

Van Allsburg, Chris. 1979. *The Garden of Abdul Gasazi*. Houghton Mifflin.

Viorst, Judith. 1972. *Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day*. Illustrated by Ray Cruz. Atheneum.

Wisniewski, David. 1996. *The Golem*. Clarion.

Wood, Audrey. 1987. *Heckedy Peg*. Illustrated by Don Wood. Harcourt.

Yolen, Jane. 1987. *Owl Moon*. Illustrated by John Schoenherr. Putnam.

Engineered

Ahlberg, Janet, and Allan Ahlberg. 1986. *The Jolly Postman or Other People's Letters*. Little, Brown.

Baum, L. Frank. 2000. *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz: A Commemorative Pop-up*. Illustrated by Robert Sabuda. Little Simon.

Carle, Eric. 1986. *My Very First Book of Sounds*. Crowell.

Carter, Anne. 1991 (1981). *Dinnertime*. Illustrated by Jan Pienkowski. Paper engineering by Marcin Stajewski and James Roger Diaz. Price Stern Sloan.

Carter, Noelle, and David Carter. 1990. *I'm a Little Mouse: A Touch & Feel Book*. Holt.

Ehlert, Lois. 1990. *Color Farm*. Lippincott.

Goodall, John. 1988. *Little Red Riding Hood*. McElderry.

Hill, Eric. 1991. *Spot Goes to the Park*. Putnam.

Milne, A. A. 1987. *Pooh and Some Bees (Pooh Carousel Book)*. Illustrated by Ernest H. Shepard. Paper engineering by Paulette Petrovsky. Dutton.

Monfried, Lucia. 1989. *Dishes All Done*. Illustrated by Jon Agee. Dutton.

Moerbeek, Kees. 2002. *The Diary of Hansel and Gretel*. Little Simon.

Pienkowski, Jan. 1979. *Haunted House*. Paper engineering by Tor Lokvig. Dutton.

Pienkowski, Jan. 1993. *ABC Dinosaurs*. Paper engineering by Rodger Smith and Helen Balmer. Dutton.

Sabuda, Robert. 1994. *The Christmas Alphabet*. Orchard.

Sabuda, Robert. 1997. *Cookie Count*. Little Simon.

Taback, Simms. 1999. *Joseph Had a Little Overcoat*. Viking.

Zelinsky, Paul O. 1990. *The Wheels on the Bus*. Paper engineering by Rodger Smith. Dutton.

Baby/Board

Bohdal, Susi. 1986. *Bobby the Bear*. North-South Books.

Boynton, Sandra. 1995. *Blue Hat, Green Hat*. Little Simon.

Dickens, Lucy. 1991. *At the Beach*. Viking.

Duke, Kate. 1986. *What Bounces?* Dutton.

Hill, Eric. 1985. *Spot at Play*. Putnam.

Hoban, Tana. 1985. *What Is It?* Greenwillow.

Oxenbury, Helen. 1981. *Dressing*. Simon & Schuster.

Oxenbury, Helen. 1982. *Mother's Helper*. Dial.

Oxenbury, Helen. 1986. *I Can*. Random.

Pfister, Martin. 1996 (1992). *The Rainbow Fish*. North-South Books.

Ross, Tony. 1994. *Weather*. Harcourt.

Simmons, Jane. 2000. *Daisy's Day Out*. Little, Brown.

Tafari, Nancy. 1987. *My Friends*. Greenwillow.

Walton, Rick. 2001. *One More Bunny*. Illustrated by Paige Miglio. HarperFestival.

Notable Authors and Illustrators of Picture Books

Anno, Mitsumasa: Wordless concept books.

Brown, Marcia: Appears on the Caldecott list nine times; illustrates in a variety of artistic styles.

Bunting, Eve: Writes picture texts about social issues.

Cooney, Barbara: Varied subject matter including picture book biographies, folktales, realistic and historical fiction.

Crews, Donald: Concept books rendered in graphic arts style.

dePaola, Tomie: Prolific illustrator of more than 200 books; trademark style using pastel colors.

Dr. Seuss: One of the first author/illustrators to develop the easy-reader picture book; nonsensical style of writing.

Dillon, Leo, and Diane Dillon: Many books on African themes.

Ehlert, Lois: Engineered concept books.

Gammel, Stephen: Airy illustration style created with colored pencil and graphite.

Jeffers, Susan: Best known for illustrated folktales.

Henkes, Kevin: Family and school stories with talking animals as characters.

Hoban, Russell: Family and school stories with talking animals as characters.

Hyman, Trina Schart: Lavish illustrations accompanying classic fairy-tale retellings.

Keats, Ezra Jack: Stories of the inner city for primary grades.

Kellogg, Steven: Humorous stories often involving animals; tall-tale retellings.

Lobel, Arnold: Popularized beginning reader picture books with the Frog and Toad series.

McCloskey, Robert: Picture books set in New England, mostly on the coast of Maine.

McDermott, Gerald: Folktales and myths rendered in an abstract artistic style.

Peet, Bill: Animal fantasies written in lively prose and verse; former Disney animator.

Pinkney, Jerry: Watercolor specialist; mostly African-American themes.

Polacco, Patricia: Historical and contemporary fiction, often drawn from her own family.

Potter, Beatrix: Mother of the modern picture storybook in English, *The Tale of Peter Rabbit*.

Say, Allen: Asian-American stories reflecting family themes.

Sendak, Maurice: Fantasy stories, most notably *Where the Wild Things Are*.

Small, David: A variety of topics, including zany stories and historical subjects.

Steig, William: Sketchy artistic style and Newbery-award winning picture book prose.

Seuss, Dr.: Pioneered the beginning reader picture book with his zany, nonsensical stories.

Van Allsburg, Chris: Fantasy stories for older readers.

Wells, Rosemary: Family and school stories with talking animals as characters.

Wiesner, David: Wordless fantasy stories.

Wisniewski, David: Folktales illustrated with intricate paper cutouts.

Young, Ed: Mostly Chinese folktale variants.

Zelinsky, Paul O.: Traditional tales in classical artistic style.

Poetry Reading List

Ten of Our Favorites

- Ciardi, John. 1962. *You Read to Me, I'll Read to You*. Illustrated by Edward Gorey. Lippincott. Designed so that the child reads the poem on one page and the adult reads the poem on the next page. A collection mostly of humorous verse.
- de Regniers, Beatrice Schenk, Eva Moore, Mary Michaels White, and Jean Carr, compilers. 1988. *Sing a Song of Popcorn*. Illustrated by nine Caldecott Award-winning artists. Scholastic. A collection of poems by a variety of well-known poets with illustrations by nine Caldecott medalists.
- Esbensen, Barbara. 1992. *Who Shrank My Grandmother's House?* Illustrated by Eric Beddows. Harper. A collection of poems about childhood discoveries concerning everyday objects and things.
- Fleischman, Paul. 1988. *Joyful Noise: Poems for Two Voices*. Illustrated by Eric Beddows. Harper. A collection of poems (divided into two columns to be read together by two people) describing the characteristics and activities of a variety of insects. Winner of the Newbery Medal.
- Merriam, Eve. 1987. *Halloween ABC*. Illustrated by Lane Smith. Macmillan. Each letter of the alphabet introduces a different, spooky aspect of Halloween.
- Prelutsky, Jack, ed. 1983. *The Random House Book of Poetry for Children*. Illustrated by Arnold Lobel. Random House. More than 550 poems by American, English, and anonymous authors.
- Prelutsky, Jack. 1984. *The New Kid on the Block*. Illustrated by James Stevenson. Greenwillow. Humorous poems about such strange creatures and people as Baloney Belly Billy and the Gloopy Gloopers.

- Schertle, Alice. 1996. *Keepers*. Illustrated by Ted Rand. Lothrop. A collection of poems about personal mementos that bring to mind special moments and feelings.
- Silverstein, Shel. 1974. *Where the Sidewalk Ends*. Harper. An extremely popular collection of humorous, somewhat irreverent poems written for children.
- Thayer, Ernest Lawrence. 2000. *Casey at the Bat: A Ballad of the Republic Sung in the Year 1888*. Illustrated by Christopher Bing. Handprint. This rendition of Thayer's immortal poem about baseball hero Casey, who strikes out and loses the big game, is illustrated with reproductions of artifacts, newspaper clippings, photographs, and other late-nineteenth-century memorabilia (ticket stubs, coins, medals, baseball cards).

Others We Like

- Attenborough, Liz. 2001. *Poetry by Heart: A Child's Book of Poems to Remember*. Scholastic.
- Chandra, Deborah. 1990. *Balloons and Other Poems*. Illustrated by Leslie Bowman. Farrar.
- Cullinan, Bernice E., ed. 1996. *A Jar Tiny of Stars: Poems by NCTE Award-Winning Poets*. Illustrated by Andi MacLeod and Marc Nadel. Wordsong/Boyd's Mills.
- Esbensen, Barbara Juster. 1995. *Dance with Me*. Illustrated by Megan Lloyd. Harper.
- Florian, Douglas. 1997. *Insectlopedia: Poems and Paintings*. Harcourt.
- Greenfield, Eloise. 1978. *Honey, I Love and Other Poems*. Illustrated by Leo and Diane Dillon. Harper.
- Hopkins, Lee Bennett. 1999. *Lives: Poems About Famous Americans*. Illustrated by Leslie Staub. Harper.
- Janeczko, Paul B., ed. 2001. *A Poke in the I: A Collection of Concrete Poems*. Illustrated by Christopher Raschka. Candlewick.
- Kennedy, X. J. 1986. *Brats*. Illustrated by James Watt. Atheneum.
- Kuskin, Karla. 1980. *Dogs & Dragons, Trees & Dreams: A Collection of Poems*. Harper.
- Lansky, Bruce, ed. 1991. *Kids Pick the Funniest Poems*. Illustrated by Stephen Carpenter. Meadowbrook.
- Larrick, Nancy, ed. 1968. *Piping Down the Valleys Wild*. Illustrated by Ellen Raskin. Delacorte.
- Lewis, J. Patrick. 1990. *A Hippopotamusn't*. Illustrated by Victoria Chess. Dial.
- Livingston, Myra Cohn. 1985. *Celebrations*. Illustrated by Leonard Everett Fisher. Holiday.
- McCord, David. 1977. *One at a Time*. Little, Brown.
- Merriam, Eve. 2001. *Low Song*. Illustrated by Pam Papparone. McElderry.
- Morrison, Lilian. 2001. *More Spice Than Sugar: Poems About Feisty Females*. Illustrated by Ann Boyajian. Houghton.
- Nye, Naomi Shihab, ed. 2000. *Salting the Ocean: 100 Poems by Young Poets*. Illustrated by Ashley Bryan. Greenwillow.
- Opie, Iona, ed. 1996. *My Very First Mother Goose*. Illustrated by Rosemary Wells. Candlewick.
- Prelutsky, Jack. 1976. *Nightmares: Poems to Trouble Your Sleep*. Illustrated by Arnold Lobel. Greenwillow.
- Rosen, Michael, ed. 1998. *Classic Poetry: An Illustrated Collection*. Illustrated by Paul Howard. Candlewick.
- Sierra, Judy. 1998. *Antarctic Antics: A Book of Penguin Poems*. Illustrated by Jose Aruego and Ariane Dewey. Harcourt.
- Thomas, Joyce Carol. 1993. *Brown Honey in Broomwheat Tea*. Illustrated by Floyd Cooper. Harper.
- Volavkova, H., ed. 1994. ... *I Never Saw Another Butterfly: Children's Drawings and Poems from Terezin Concentration Camp, 1942-1944*. Random.
- Worth, Valerie. 1987. *All the Small Poems*. Illustrated by Natalie Babbitt. Farrar.

Picture Books

- Adoff, Arnold. 1973. *Black is Brown is Tan*. Illustrated by Emily Arnold McCully. Harper.
- Adoff, Arnold. 2000. *Touch The Poem*. Illustrated by Lisa Desimini. Blue Sky (Scholastic).
- Baylor, Byrd. 1986. *I'm in Charge of Celebrations*. Illustrated by Peter Parnall. Scribner's.
- Blake, William, 1993. *The Tyger*. Illustrated by Neil Waldman. Harcourt.
- Esbensen, Barbara Juster. 1995. *Dance with Me*. Illustrated by Megan Lloyd. Harper.
- Florian, Douglas. 2001. *Lizards, Frogs, and Polliwogs*. Harcourt.
- Frost, Robert. 1978. *Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening*. Illustrated by Susan Jeffers. Dutton.
- Hoberman, Mary Ann. 1978. *A House Is a House for Me*. Illustrated Betty Fraser. Viking.
- Kuskin, Karla. 1998. *The Sky Is Always in the Sky*. Illustrated by Isabelle Dervaux. Harper.
- Kuskin, Karla. 2002. *The Animals and the Ark*. Illustrated by Michael Grejniec. Atheneum.
- Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth. 1983. *Song of Hiawatha*. Illustrated by Susan Jeffers. Dial.
- Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth. 1990. *Paul Revere's Ride*. Illustrated by Ted Rand. Dutton.
- Prelutsky, Jack. 2001. *Awful Ogre's Awful Day*. Illustrated by Paul O. Zelinsky. Greenwillow.
- Schertle, Alice. 2002. *All You Need for a Snowman*. Illustrated by Barbara Lavallee. Harcourt.
- Service, Robert W. 1987. *The Cremation of Sam McGee*. Illustrated by Ted Harrison. Greenwillow.
- Siebert, Diane. 1989. *Heartland*. Illustrated by Wendell Minor. Crowell.
- Thayer, Lawrence Ernest. 1995. *Casey at the Bat*. Illustrated by Gerald Fitzgerald. Atheneum.

Easy to Read

- Brown, Marc, ed. 1987. *Play Rhymes*. Dutton.
- Calmenson, Stephanie. 1989. *What Am I? Very First Riddles*. Illustrated by Karen Gundersheimer. Harper.
- Dakos, Kalli. 1999. *The Bug in Teacher's Coffee and Other School Poems*. Illustrated by Mike Reed. Harper.
- Greenfield, Eloise. 1995. *On My Horse*. Illustrated by Jan Spivey Gilchrist. Harper.
- Hopkins, Lee Bennett, ed. 1987. *More Surprises*. Illustrated by Megan Lloyd. Harper.
- Hopkins, Lee Bennett, ed. 1994. *Weather: Poems for All Seasons*. Illustrated by Melanie Hall. Harper.
- Hopkins, Lee Bennett, ed. 1999. *Sports! Sports! Sports! : A Poetry Collection*. Illustrated by Brian Floca. Harper.
- James, Simon. 2000. *Days Like This*. Candlewick.
- Kuskin, Karla. 1992. *Soap Soup and Other Verses*. Harper.
- Livingston, Myra Cohn. 1990. *My Head Is Red and Other Riddle Rhymes*. Illustrated by Tere LoPrete. Dutton.
- Livingston, Myra Cohn, ed. 1989. *Dilly Dilly Piccalilli: Poems for the Very Young*. Illustrated by Eileen Christelow. McElderry.
- Prelutsky, Jack. 1980. *Rolling Harvey Down the Hill*. Illustrated by Victoria Chess. Greenwillow.
- Prelutsky, Jack. 1983. *It's Valentine's Day*. Illustrated by Yossi Abolafia. Greenwillow.

Notable Children's Poets

- Adoff, Arnold
Ciardi, John
Esbensen, Barbara Juster
Fisher, Aileen
Fleischman, Paul

Florian, Douglas
Greenfield, Eloise
Hopkins, Lee Bennett
Kennedy, X. J.
Kuskin, Karla
Livingston, Myra Cohn
McCord, David
Merriam, Eve
Moore, Lilian
Nye, Naomi Shihab
Prelutsky, Jack
Schertle, Alice
Silverstein, Shel
Worth, Valerie
Yolen, Jane

Multicultural Books Reading List

Many fine multicultural and international titles, indeed many of our favorites, have been included in the other reading lists in this book. For the most part, they have not been repeated here.

African American

Clifton, Catherine, ed. 1998. *I, Too, Sing America*. Illustrated by Stephen Alcorn. Houghton.
Cline-Ransome, Lesa. 2000. *Satchel Paige*. Illustrated by James Ransome. Simon & Schuster.
Curtis, Christopher Paul. 1995. *The Watsons Go to Birmingham—1963*. Delacorte.
Draper, Sharon M. 1997. *Forged by Fire*. Atheneum.
Fradin, Dennis Brindell, and Judith Bloom Fradin. 2000. *Ida B. Wells: Mother of the Civil Rights Movement*. Clarion.
Hamilton, Virginia. 1995. *Her Stories: African American Folktales, Fairy Tales, and True Tales*. Illustrated by Leo Dillon and Diane Dillon. Blue Sky/Scholastic.
Hamilton, Virginia. 2002. *Time Pieces: The Book of Times*. Blue Sky Press (Scholastic).
Haskins, James. 1995. *Black Eagles: African Americans in Aviation*. Scholastic.
Hopkinson, Deborah. 1999. *A Band of Angels: A Story Inspired by the Jubilee Singers*. Illustrated by Raúl Colón. Atheneum.
Howard, Elizabeth Fitzgerald. 2000. *Virgie Goes to School with Us Boys*. Illustrated by E.B. Lewis. Simon & Schuster.
Johnson, Angela. 2002. *Looking for Red*. Simon & Schuster.
McKissack, Patricia. 1988. *Mirandy and Brother Wind*. Illustrated by Jerry Pinkney. Holt.
Meltzer, Milton. 1984. *The Black Americans: A History in Their Own Words, 1619–1983*. Crowell.
Myers, Walter Dean. 1991. *Now Is Your Time: The African-American Struggle for Freedom*. Harper.
Myers, Walter Dean. 1999. *Monster*. HarperCollins.
Myers, Walter Dean. 1997. *Harlem*. Illustrated by Christopher Myers. Scholastic.
Pinkney, Andrea. 1996. *Bill Pickett: Rodeo-Ridin' Cowboy*. Illustrated by Brian Pinkney. Harcourt.
Schroeder, Alan. 1996. *Minty: A Story of Harriet Tubman*. Illustrated by Jerry Pinkney. Dial.
Taylor, Mildred. 1990. *Road to Memphis*. Dial.
Woodson, Jacqueline. 2001. *Other Side*. Illustrated by E.B. Lewis. Putnam.

Asian American

- Choi, Sook Nyul. 1997. *Yunmi and Halmoni's Trip*. Houghton.
- Ho, Minfong. 1990. *Rice Without Rain*. Lothrop.
- Lord, Bette Bao. 1984. *In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson*. Harper.
- Lee, Milly. 2001. *Earthquake*. Illustrated by Yangsook Choi. Frances Foster (Farrar, Straus and Giroux).
- Mochizuki, Ken. 1993. *Baseball Saved Us*. Illustrated by Dom Lee. Lee and Low.
- Morey, Janet Nomura, and Wendy Dunn. 1992. *Famous Asian Americans*. Dutton.
- Mori, Kyoko. 2000. *Stone Field, True Arrow*. Metropolitan.
- Mochizuki, Ken. 1997. *Passage to Freedom: The Sugihara Story*. Illustrated by Dom Lee. Lee & Low.
- Park, Linda Sue. 2002. *When My Name Was Keoko*. Clarion.
- Salisbury, Graham. 1994. *Under the Blood-Red Sun*. Delacorte.
- Say, Allen. 1993. *Grandfather's Journey*. Houghton Mifflin.
- Say, Allen. 2002. *Home of the Brave*. Houghton Mifflin.
- Uchida, Yoshiko. 1981. *A Jar of Dreams*. McElderry.
- Wong, Janet. 2000. *The Trip Back Home*. Illustrated by Bo Jia. Harcourt.
- Yee, Paul. 1990. *Tales from Gold Mountain: Stories of the Chinese in the New World*. Macmillan.
- Yep, Laurence. 1977. *Child of the Owl*. Harper.
- Yep, Laurence. 2001. *Angelfish*. Purnam.
- Yep, Laurence. 2002. *When the Circus Came to Town*. Illustrated by Suling Wang. HarperCollins.
- Young, Ed. 2001. *Monkey King*. HarperCollins.

Hispanic American (Latino)

- Alarcón, Francisco X. 1997. *Laughing Tomatoes and Other Spring Poems*. Illustrated by Maya Christina Gonzalez. Children's Book Press.
- Ancona, George. 1993. *Pablo Remembers: The Fiesta of the Day of the Dead*. Lothrop
- Buss, Fran Leeper. 1991. *Journey of the Sparrows*. Lothrop.
- Carlson, Lori M. 1994. *Cool Salsa: Bilingual Poems on Growing Up Latino in the United States*. Holt.
- Cofer, Judith Ortiz. 1995. *An Island Like You: Stories of the Barrio*. Orchard.
- Delacre, Lulu. 2000. *Salsa Stories*. Scholastic.
- Krumgold, Joseph. 1953. ... *And Now Miguel*. Crowell.
- Dorros, Arthur. 1991. *Abuela*. Illustrated by Elisa Kleven. Dutton.
- Jiménez, Francisco. 1999. *The Circuit: Stories from the Life of a Migrant Child*. Houghton Mifflin.
- Lomas Garza, Carmen. 1996. *In My Family/En mi familia*. Children's Book Press.
- Martinez, Floyd. 1997. *Spirit of the High Mesa*. Arte Público Press.
- Ryan, Pam Muñoz. 2000. *Esperanza Rising*. Scholastic.
- Soto, Gary. 1990. *Baseball in April and Other Stories*. Harcourt.
- Soto, Gary. 1997. *Snapshots from the Wedding*. Putnam.
- Soto, Gary. 2000. *Chato and the Party Animals*. Illustrated by Susan Guevara. Putnam.

Native American

- Begay, Shonto. 1992. *Ma'ii and Cousin Horned Toad: A Traditional Navajo Story*. Scholastic.
- Begay, Shonto. 1995. *Navajo: Visions and Voices Across the Mesa*. Scholastic.
- Bierhorst, John. 1987. *Dr. Coyote: Native American Aesop's Fables*. Illustrated by Wendy Watson. Macmillan.
- Bruchac, Joseph. 1996. *Legends of Native American Sacred Places*. Dial.

- Bruchac, Joseph. 2000. *Crazy Horse's Vision*. Illustrated by S.D. Nelson. Lee & Low.
- Bruchac, Joseph. 2002. *Navajo Long Walk : The Tragic Story of a Proud People's Forced March from Their Homeland*. Illustrated by Shonto Begay. National Geographic Society.
- Cohen, Carol. 1988. *The Mud Pony*. Illustrated by Shonto Begay. Scholastic.
- Dorris, Michael. 1996. *Sees Behind Trees*. Hyperion.
- Ekoomiak, Normee. 1988. *Arctic Memories*. Holt.
- Freedman, Russell. 1992. *Indian Winter*. Illustrated by Karl Bodmer. Holiday House.
- Goble, Paul. 2002. *Mystic Horse*. HarperCollins.
- Highwater, Jamake. 1977. *Anpao: An American Indian Odyssey*. Lippincott.
- O'Dell, Scott. 1970. *Sing Down the Moon*. Houghton Mifflin.
- Rendon, Marcie. 1996. *Powwow Summer: A Family Celebrates the Circle of Life*. Carolrhoda.
- Sneve, Virginia Driving Hawk, ed. 1989. *Dancing Teepees: Poems of American Indian Youth*. Illustrated by Stephen Gammell. Holiday House.
- Viola, Herman J. 1998. *It Is a Good Day to Die: Indian Eyewitnesses Tell the Story of the Battle of the Little Bighorn*. Crown.

Religious Cultures

- Ammon, Richard. 2000. *An Amish Year*. Illustrated by Pamela Patrick. Atheneum. (Christian–Amish.)
- Cormier, Robert. 1990. *Other Bells for Us to Ring*. Delacorte. (Christian–Catholic.)
- Demi. 1997. *Buddha Stories*. Holt. (Buddhist.)
- Demi. 1998. *The Dalai Lama*. Holt. (Buddhist.)
- Genari, Anita. 1996. *Out of the Ark: Stories from the World's Religions*. Illustrated by Jackie Morris. Harcourt. (Various religions.)
- Ghazi, Sumaib Hamib. 1996. *Ramadan*. Illustrated by Omar Rauuan. Holiday House. (Islam.)
- Haddix, Margaret. 1997. *Leaving Fishers*. Simon. (Religious cults—Christian.)
- Highwater, Jamake. 1994. *Rama: A Legend*. Holt. (Hindu.)
- Kimmel, Eric. 2000. *Gershon's Monster: A Story for the Jewish New Year*. Illustrated by John J. Muth. Scholastic. (Jewish.)
- Litchman, Kristin Embry. 1998. *All Is Well*. Delacorte. (Christian—Mormon.)
- Oppenheim, Shulamith Levey. 1994. *Iblis: An Islamic Tale*. Illustrated by Ed Young. Harcourt. (Islam.)
- Osborne, Mary Pope. 1996. *One World, Many Religions: The Ways We Worship*. Knopf. (Various religions.)
- Rocklin, Joanne. 1999. *Strudel Stories*. Delacorte. (Jewish.)
- Rylant, Cynthia. 1986. *A Fine White Dust*. Bradbury. (Christian–Protestant.)
- Sturges, Philemon. 2000. *Sacred Places*. Illustrated by Giles Laroche. Putnam. (Various religions.)

Cultures of the Physically and Mentally Challenged

- Bloor, Edward. 1997. *Tangerine*. Harcourt. (Blindness.)
- Fraustino, Lisa Rowe. 2001. *The Hickory Chair*. Illustrated by Benny Andrews. Scholastic. (Blindness.)
- Gernis, Meg. 2000. *ABC for You and Me*. Photographs by Shirley Leamon Green. Albert Whitman. (Down's Syndrome.)
- Maguire, Gregory. 1994. *Missing Sisters*. McElderry. (Physical Disabilities.)
- McKenzie, Ellen Kindt. 1990. *Stargone John*. Illustrated by William Low. Holt. (Emotional Disabilities.)
- McMahon, Patricia. 2000. *Dancing Wheels*. Photographs by John Godt. Houghton Mifflin. (Physical Disabilities.)

Millman, Isaac. 2000. *Moses Goes to School*. Farrar. (Deafness.)
 Morpurgo, Michael. 1996. *The Ghost of Grania O'Malley*. Viking. (Cerebral Palsy.)
 St. George, Judith. 1992. *Dear Dr. Bell ... Your Friend, Helen Keller*. Putnam. (Deafness, Blindness.)
 Sullivan, George. 2000. *Helen Keller*. Scholastic. (Deafness, Blindness.)
 Wolff, Virginia Euwer. 1988. *Probably Still Nick Swansen*. Holt. (Mentally Challenged.)
 White, Ruth. 2000. *Memories of Summer*. Farrar. (Mental Illness.)

Women

(Because women historically have had minority status, we have included some of the recent titles dealing with women's rights and accomplishments.)

Colman, Penny. 1995. *Rosie the Riveter: Women Working on the Home Front in World War II*. Crown.
 Cushman, Karen. 1994. *Catherine, Called Birdy*. Clarion.
 Dash, Joan. 1996. *We Shall Not Be Moved: The Women's Factory Strike of 1909*. Scholastic.
 Fritz, Jean. 1995. *You Want Women to Vote, Lizzie Stanton?* Putnam.
 Giff, Patricia Reilly. 1986. *Mother Teresa, Sister to the Poor*. Illustrated by Ted Lewin. Viking. (See other titles in the Women of Our Times series.)
 Hansen, Joyce. 1998. *Women of Hope: African Americans Who Made a Difference*. Scholastic.
 Keenan, Sheila. 1996. *Scholastic Encyclopedia of Women in the United States*. Scholastic.
 Lauber, Patricia. 1988. *Lost Star: The Story of Amelia Earhart*. Scholastic.
 Macy, Sue. 1996. *Winning Ways: A Photobiography of American Women in Sports*. Holt.
 McDonough, Yona Zeldis. 2000. *Sisters in Strength: American Women Who Made a Difference..*
 Illustrated by Malcah Zeldis. Holt.
 ONeal, Zibby. 1990. *A Long Way To Go*. Illustrated by Michael Dooling. Viking.
 Pinkney, Andrea. 2000. *Let it Shine: Stories of Black Women Freedom Fighters*. Illustrated by Stephen Alcorn. Harcourt.
 Rappaport, Doreen and Lyndall Callan. 2000. *Dirt on Their Skirts: The Story of the Young Women Who Won the World Championship*. Illustrated by E.B. Lewis. Dial.
 Thimmes, Catherine. 2002. *The Sky's the Limit: Stories of Discovery by Women and Girls*. Illustrated by Melissa Sweet. Houghton Mifflin.

International Books Reading List English Language Books

Aiken, Joan. 1995. *Cold Shoulder Road*. Delacorte. (U.K.)
 Almond, David. 2000. *Kit's Wilderness*. Delacorte. (U.K.)
 Fine, Anne. 1996. *Step by Wicked Step*. Little, Brown. (U.K.)
 Fox, Mem. 1987. *Possum Magic*. Illustrated by Julie Vivas. Abington. (Australia.)
 Fox, Mem. 2002. *The Magic Hat*. Illustrated by Tricia Tusa. Harcourt. (Australia.)
 Hughes, Monica. 2000. *Storm Warning*. Harper. (Canada.)
 Lunn, Janet. 1987. *Shadow in Hawthorne Bay*. Scribner's. (Canada.)
 Mahy, Margaret. 2000. *24 Hours*. McElderry. (New Zealand.)
 Nicholson, William. 2001. *Slaves of the Mastery*. Hyperion. (U.K.)
 Nix, Garth. 1995. *Sabriel*. Harper. (Australia.)
 Naidoo, Beverly. 1997. *No Turning Back*. Harper. (South Africa.)
 Park, Ruth. 1980. *Playing the Beatie Bow*. Macmillan. (Australia.)
 Pullman, Philip. 2000. *I Was a Rat!* Illustrated by Kevin Hawkes. Knopf. (U.K.)
 Sutcliff, Rosemary. 1993. *Black Ships Before Troy*. Illustrated by Alan Lee. Delacort. (U.K.)

Valgardson, W. D. 1995. *Winter Rescue*. Illustrated by Ange Zhang. McElderry. (Canada.)
Waugh, Sylvia. 2000. *Space Race*. Delacorte. (U.K.)
Westall, Robert. 1997. *Time of Fire*. Scholastic. (U.K.)

Translated Books

Björk, Christina. 1999. *Vendela in Venice*. Illustrated by Inga-Karin Eriksson. R & S Books. (Sweden.)
Carmi, Daniella. 2000. *Samir and Yonatan*. Scholastic. (Israel.)
de Beers, Hans. 2001. *Alexander the Great*. North-South. (Switzerland.)
Duquenois, Jacques. 1999. *Operation Ghost*. Harcourt. (France.)
Gaarder, Jostein. 1996. *The Solitaire Mystery*. Illustrated by Hilde Kramer. Farrar. (Norway.)
Gallaz, Christopher. 1985. *Rose Blanche*. Illustrated by Roberto Innocenti. Creative Education. (France.)
Gündisch, Karin. 2001. *How I Became an American*. Cricket Books. (Germany.)
Heine, Helme. 1998. *The Boxer and the Princess*. McElderry. (Germany.)
Ho, Minfong. 1996. *Maples in the Mist: Children's Poems from the Tang Dynasty*. Illustrated by Jean and Mou-sien Tseng. Lothrop. (China.)
Lindgren, Astrid. 1983. *Ronia, the Robber's Daughter*. Viking. (Sweden.)
Llorente, Molina. 1993. *The Apprentice*. Farrar. (Spain.)
Maruki, Toshi. 1982. *Hiroshima No Pika*. Lothrop. (Japan.)
Orlev, Uri. 1991. *The Man from the Other Side*. Houghton Mifflin. (Israel.)
Orlev, Uri. 1995. *The Lady with the Hat*. Houghton. (Israel.)
Reuter, Bjarne. 1994. *The Boys from St. Petri*. Dutton. (Denmark.)
Richter, Hans Peter. 1972. *I Was There*. Holt. (Germany.)
Yumoto, Kazumi. 2002. *The Letters*. Farrar. (Japan.)