

Literacy in the Content Areas

Picture books that address classroom subjects

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Picture books can be used in the middle school and high school for many reasons. They are simple ways to introduce a topic, reinforce the current topic under discussion, illustrate a given topic and as a way to bring literature into the non-English content areas. An excellent way to use picture books is to read the book and then have the students respond – whether through various forms of writing, through art, or through discussion. If you would like to use more picture books in your classroom, please feel free to come by the library and I can help you discover ways to use them in your room.

CODES:

0 – No words

1 – Few words on a page, can easily be read as a starter.

2 – More words, can be easily read and discussed in a period.

3 – Many words; complicated, would lead to great, in-depth discussion.

4 – A complex book that can only be read a little at a time, or a teacher may only want to read one or two pages (no code – book was not on the shelf when I went to code)

P – Photographs for illustrations

Additional Resources:

Allen, Janet. Tools for Teaching Content Literacy. Stenhouse Publishers. www.stenhouse.com ISBN: 1571103805

Findlay, Diane, 1952-. Characters with character : using children's literature in character education. Fort Atkinson, Wis. : Alleyside Press, c2001. Explains how librarians, teachers, and parents can make the process of teaching character values more conscious, systematic, creative, and fun by using examples from children's literature.

Picture books : an annotated bibliography with activities for teaching writing with the 6+1 Trait Writing model. Presents an annotated bibliography of children's picture books, grouped according to the traits of the "Six-Trait Writing" analytical assessment model, including ideas and content, organization, voice, word choice, sentence fluency, and conventions, and features a selection of teaching activities and lessons.

Stephens, Claire Gatrell. Picture this! : using picture story books for character education in the classroom. Westport, CT : Libraries Unlimited, 2004. Explains how teachers can use story books for character education in the classroom and offers ideas for integration, lesson plans, student activities, and reproducible worksheets.

BIOGRAPHIES

- 92 ALI Bolden, Tonya. *The champ : the story of Muhammad Ali*. 1st ed. New York : Knopf : Distributed by Random House, c2004. A picture book biography of Muhammad Ali, tracing his life from his childhood in Kentucky to his lighting of the Olympic Torch at the 1996 games. 2
- 92 AND Ryan, Pam Muñoz. *When Marian sang*. 1st ed. Scholastic Press, c2002. An introduction to the life of Marian Anderson, extraordinary singer and civil rights activist, who was the first African American to perform at the Metropolitan Opera, whose life and career encouraged social change. 3
- 92 BEN Martin, Jacqueline Briggs. *Snowflake Bentley*. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, c1998. A biography of a self-taught scientist who photographed thousands of individual snowflakes in order to study their unique formations. 2
- 92 BRI Bridges, Ruby. *Through my eyes*. 1st ed. New York : Scholastic, 1999. Ruby Bridges recounts the story of her involvement, as a six-year-old, in the integration of her school in New Orleans in 1960. 4
- 92 CHA Landmann, Bimba. *I am Marc Chagall*. Presents a look at the life and art of Marc Chagall, in simple, first-person, text with illustrations. Adapted from the book "My Life" by Marc Chagall. 2
- 92 DAR Sís, Peter, 1949-. *The tree of life : a book depicting the life of Charles Darwin, naturalist, geologist & thinker*. Peter Sís applies his unique illustration style to short, but in-depth look at the life of Charles Darwin. Tiny, detailed drawing, along with (tiny, detailed) writing make this book only appropriate for middle school or high school. If a teacher used an opaque projector or document camera, their class could be enjoy this look at Darwin. 4
- 92 ERA Lasky, Kathryn. *The librarian who measured the earth*. 1st ed. Joy Street Books, c1994. Describes the life and work of Eratosthenes, the Greek geographer and astronomer who accurately measured the circumference of the Earth. 3
- 92 FRA Barretta, Gene Now and Ben: *The Modern Inventions of Benjamin Franklin, PICTURE BOOK* - A good look at the role that Benjamin Franklin's inventions and ideas have played in the formation of our modern society. Bright illustrations are a little childish seeming for older students, but I think they will actually catch the eye of the middle school student. A class on American history, a science class or a Technology, Life Careers class could all use this book as a jumping off point to further studies.
- 92 GAL Sís, Peter, 1949-. *Starry messenger : a book depicting the life of a famous scientist, mathematician, astronomer, philosopher, physicist, Galileo Galilei*. 1st ed. New York: Farrar, Straus, Giroux, 1996. Describes the life and work of Galileo who changed the way people saw the galaxy, by offering objective evidence that the earth was not the fixed center of the universe. 4
- 92 GAM Goodman, Joan E. *A long and uncertain journey : the 27,000-mile voyage of Vasco da Gama*. An illustrated biography of Vasco da Gama, the Portuguese explorer who opened the sea route between Europe and India in the late fifteenth century. 4
- 92 GOG Gogh, Vincent van, 1853-1890. *Vincent's colors*. Uses quotations from Vincent van Gogh's correspondence with his brother Theo to describe the colors in his paintings, which are also reproduced in this book. 2
- 92 HUD Goodman, Joan E. *Beyond the sea of ice : the voyages of Henry Hudson*. An account of Henry Hudson's four voyages in search of a passage to the Orient in the early seventeenth century and the discoveries made by him on the northeastern coast of America. 4
- 92 KIN Rappaport, Doreen. *Martin's big words : the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr*. Looks at the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, explaining his work to bring about a peaceful end to segregation. 2

- 92 KNI McCully, Emily Arnold. *Marvelous Mattie : how Margaret E. Knight became an inventor. Mattie has invented things since she was old enough to pick up a pencil. When she creates an award-winning design for a paperbag folder (still used today), an unscrupulous gentleman tries to steal her idea by claiming that a woman is not smart enough to invent such a complicated machine. Based on the true story of Margaret E. Knight. A good book about the changing roles of women during the Industrial Revolution. Could be used in many different classrooms.* 2
- 92 LA Goodman, Joan E. *Despite all obstacles : La Salle and the conquest of the Mississippi. A biography of the man who explored the St. Lawrence, Ohio, Illinois, and Mississippi rivers, and who claimed America's heartland for King Louis XIV and France.* 4
- 92 LEO Byrd, Robert. *Leonardo, beautiful dreamer. 1st ed. New York :Dutton Children's Books, c2003. Illustrations and text portray the life of Leonardo da Vinci, who gained fame as a artist through such works as the Mona Lisa, and as a scientist by studying various subjects including human anatomy and flight.* 4
- 92 LIN Winters, Kay. *Abe Lincoln : the boy who loved books. 1st ed. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, c2003. Describes how Abe Lincoln used books to change his life, and how he, in turn, changed the world.*
- 92 MEN Bardoe, Cheryl Gregor *Mendel: The Friar who Grew Peas PICTURE BOOK Abrams - A simple, well-written picture book that explains a little about Mendel's background and the protocol behind his early experiments with pea plants and genetics. This is a slightly long picture book that would be good supplemental or pictorial material for a beginning heredity unit.* 3
- 92 MES Bryant, Jennifer. *Music for the end of time. Grand Rapids, Mich. : Eerdmans Books for Young Readers, c2005. Presents the true story of French composer Oliver Messiaen, who was permitted to write and perform his music while a prisoner in a German POW camp during World War Two.* 2
- 92 MUH Demi. *Muhammad. 1st ed. New York : Margaret K. McElderry Books, c2003. Introduces Muhammad and the basic tenets of the Islamic faith.*
- 92 NER Ray, Deborah Kogan *To Go Singing Through the World PICTURE BOOK FSG – Subtitle: The Childhood of Pablo Neruda. Pablo Neruda, called the “people’s poet” of Latin America grew up in a tiny village in the shadow of a volcano in central Chile. Extraordinarily shy, his talent for words went undiscovered until Gabriela Mistral, also a gifted poet, came to town. This book will need help finding it’s audience. I could see a high school Language Arts class or an advanced Spanish class using this book as supplemental material, but I doubt the teachers will find it on their own. The writing on each page is extensive enough that I wouldn’t recommend it for young children.* 3
- 92 NOR Burleigh, Robert. *Tiger of the snows : Tenzing Norgay : the boy whose dream was Everest. 1st ed. New York : Atheneum Books for Young Readers, c2006. A poetic prose that tells the story of a Nepalese Sherpa boy who, along with Edmund Hillary, scaled Mt. Everest in May of 1953.*
- 92 PAR Giovanni, Nikki. *Rosa. 1st ed. New York : Henry Holt, 2005. A brief illustrated account of Rosa Parks' refusal to give up her seat on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama in 1955, and the subsequent bus boycott by the black community.* 2
- 92 POW Waldman, Stuart, 1941-. *The last river : John Wesley Powell & the Colorado River Exploration Expedition / by Stuart Waldman ; illustrated by Gregory Manchess. Presents an account of the Colorado River Exploration Expedition, a journey organized in 1969 by geology professor John Wesley Powell to explore the last uncharted river in the United States, and shares details of Powell's life, as well as the lives of members of his team.* 4
- 92 SAC Erdrich, Liselotte. *Sacagawea. Minneapolis : Carolrhoda Books, c2003. A biography of the Shoshone girl, Sacagawea, from age eleven when she was kidnapped by the Hidatsa to the end of her journey with Lewis and Clark, plus speculation about her later life.*
- 385 MOS Moss, Marissa. *True heart. 1st ed. San Diego : Silver Whistle, c1999. At the turn of the century, a young woman who works on the railroad accomplishes her yearning ambition to become an engineer when a male engineer is injured and can't drive his train.* 2

759.13 BRY Bryant, Jennifer. Georgia's bones. Tells the story of artist Georgia O'Keeffe's lifelong interest in shapes, from her childhood on a Wisconsin farm, to her adult life in New York City and New Mexico.

759.13 YOU Young, Ed. Beyond the great mountains : a visual poem about China. San Francisco : Chronicle Books, 2005. Lyrical text and illustrations featuring Chinese characters and paper collage introduce the beauty and richness of China. 2

796.357 MOS Moss, Marissa. Mighty Jackie : the strike-out queen. 1st ed. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, c2004. In 1931, seventeen-year-old Jackie Mitchell pitches against Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig in an exhibition game, becoming the first professional female pitcher in baseball history. 2

813 LOR Lorbiecki, Marybeth. Jackie's bat. 1st ed. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, c2006. Joey, the batboy for the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1947, learns a hard lesson about respect for people of different races after Jackie Robinson joins the team. 3

SCIENCE

Scientists

- 92 BEN Martin, Jacqueline Briggs. Snowflake Bentley. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, c1998. A biography of a self-taught scientist who photographed thousands of individual snowflakes in order to study their unique formations. 2
- 92 DAR Sís, Peter, 1949-. The tree of life : a book depicting the life of Charles Darwin, naturalist, geologist & thinker. Presents the life of the famous nineteenth-century naturalist using text from Darwin's writings and detailed drawings by Sís. 4
- 92 GAL Sís, Peter, 1949-. Starry messenger : a book depicting the life of a famous scientist, mathematician, astronomer, philosopher, physicist, Galileo Galilei. 1st ed. New York: Farrar, Straus, Giroux, 1996. Describes the life and work of Galileo who changed the way people saw the galaxy, by offering objective evidence that the earth was not the fixed center of the universe. 4
- 92 KNI McCully, Emily Arnold. Marvelous Mattie : how Margaret E. Knight became an inventor. Describes inventor Margaret E. Knight's childhood, explaining how her interest in mechanical innovations began, and tells the story of her invention of a paper bag maker and her legal battle for the patent after someone stole her idea.
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- 338.7 CAR Carney, Mary Lou, 1949-. Dr. Welch and the great grape story. 1st ed. Honesdale, Pa. : Boyds Mills 2 Press, 2005. Presents the story of Dr. Welch, a devout Methodist, who was inspired to develop a non-alcoholic beverage to be used for communion and his efforts ultimately led to the creation of the Welch Grape Juice Company.

Space

- 520 SIM Simon, Seymour. Destination: space. 1st ed. New York : HarperCollins, c2002. Explains new discoveries about the universe made possible by the Hubble Telescope. 3P
- 523.1 SIM Simon, Seymour. Galaxies. 1st Mulberry ed. New York : Mulberry Books, 1991, c1988. Identifies the nature, locations, movements, and different categories of galaxies, examining the Milky Way and other known examples. 3P
- 523.6 SIM Simon, Seymour. Comets, meteors, and asteroids. 1st Mulberry ed. New York : Mulberry Books, 1998, c1994. Explains the wonders of space, comets, asteroids, extraterrestrial objects, and meteors. 3P
- 523.8 SIM Simon, Seymour. Stars. 1st Mulberry ed. New York : Mulberry, 1989, c1986. Discusses the stars, their composition, and characteristics, with actual photographs. 3P
- 530.8 ADL Adler, David A. How tall, how short, how faraway. New York : Holiday House, c1999. Introduces several measuring systems such as the Egyptian system, the inch-pound system, and the metric system. 1
- 559.9 SIM Simon, Seymour. The moon. A basic introduction to Earth's closest neighbor, its composition, and human missions to explore it. Illustrated with photographs of the moon taken in space. 3P

629.4 SIM Simon, Seymour. Space travelers. San Francisco : SeaStar Books, c2003. Traces the history of space travel, looking at some of the achievements that have been made since the beginning of manned flight, and imagining what the future might hold for traveling and living in outer space. 2

Water Cycle

551.48 WAL Waldman, Neil. The snowflake : a water cycle story. Brookfield, Conn. : Millbrook Press, c2003. Follows the journey of a water droplet through the various stages of the water cycle, from precipitation to evaporation and condensation. 2

813 LOC Locker, Thomas, 1937-. Water dance. [1st ed.]. San Diego, Calif. : Harcourt Brace & Company, c1997. Water speaks of its existence in such forms as storm clouds, mist, rainbows, and rivers. Includes factual information on the water cycle. 1

Biomes

551.31 SIM Simon, Seymour. Icebergs and glaciers. 1st Mulberry ed. New York : Mulberry, 1999, c1987. Contains information on icebergs and glaciers, and discusses the how they are formed, how they move, and describes the different kinds glaciers and icebergs as well as their effect on the environment. 3P

551.41 GIB Gibbons, Gail. Marshes & swamps. 1st ed. New York : Holiday House, c1998. Defines marshes and swamps, discusses how conditions in them may change, and examines the life found in and around them. 3P

551.46 SIM Simon, Seymour. Oceans. 1st Mulberry ed. New York : Mulberry Books, 1997. Text and photographs explore the physical characteristics, life forms, and fragility of the world's oceans. 3P

577.54 PAL Pallotta, Jerry. The desert alphabet book. Watertown, Mass. : Charlesbridge, c1994. Learn about the desert with this alphabet book that includes information about the Bactrian camel, fennec, jird, kulan, saguaro, and zaita. 2

577.6 PAL Pallotta, Jerry. The freshwater alphabet book. Watertown, MA : Charlesbridge, c1996. An alphabet book which presents facts about freshwater plants and animals. 2

577.7 PAL Pallotta, Jerry. The underwater alphabet book. Watertown, MA : Charlesbridge, c1991. From angelfish to zebra pipefish, this alphabet book depicts underwater creatures and scenes. 2

591.68 PAL Pallotta, Jerry. The extinct alphabet book. Watertown, MA : Charlesbridge, c1993. Each letter of the alphabet features information about a creature that no longer exists. 2

591.77 PAL Pallotta, Jerry. The ocean alphabet book. Watertown, MA : Charlesbridge, c1986. Introduces the letters A to Z by describing fish and other creatures living in the North Atlantic Ocean. 2

975.9 GEO George, Jean Craighead, 1919-. Everglades. [New York] : HarperCollins, c1995. Describes the Florida Everglades, the evolution of this unique area, and the impact humans have had on its once-abundant life forms.

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612.1 SIM Simon, Seymour. The heart : our circulatory system. New York : Morrow Junior Books, c1996. Describes the heart, blood, and other parts of the body's circulatory system and explains how each component functions. 3P

612.3 SIM Simon, Seymour. Guts : our digestive system. 1st ed. New York: HarperCollins, c2005. Presents a full-color illustrated study of how the digestive system works, how it turns food into energy, nutrients , and waste, how major organs move food through the body, and more. 3P

612.7 SIM Simon, Seymour. Bones : our skeletal system. New York : HarperCollins, c1998. Describes the skeletal system and outlines the many important roles that bones play in the healthy functioning of the human body. 3P

612.7 SIM Simon, Seymour. Muscles : our muscular system. [New York] : HarperCollins, c1998. Describes the nature and work of muscles, the different kinds, and the effects of exercise and other activities on them. 3P

612.8 SIM Simon, Seymour. The brain : our nervous system. Describes the various parts of the brain and the nervous system and how they function to enable us to think, feel, move, and remember. 3P

Animals

567.9 PAL Pallotta, Jerry. The dinosaur alphabet book. Watertown, MA : Charlesbridge, c1991. Text and illustrations describe popular dinosaurs in alphabetical order from Ankylosaurus to Zephyrosaurus. 2

590.73 SMI Smith, Marie, 1951-. Z is for zookeeper : a zoo alphabet. Chelsea, MI : Sleeping Bear Press : Thomson/Gale, c2005. Presents a children's A to Z alphabet picture book that describes the various animals and other things found in a zoo. 1/3

595.7 PAL Pallotta, Jerry. The icky bug alphabet book. Watertown, MA : Charlesbridge, c1986. Introduces the characteristics and activities of insects and other crawl creatures from A to Z, beginning with the ant and concluding with the zebra butterfly. 2

595.76 PAL Pallotta, Jerry. The beetle alphabet book. Watertown, MA : Charlesbridge, c2004. Uses letters of the alphabet to introduce various kinds of beetles. 2

597.9 HEL Heller, Ruth, 1924-. Ruth Heller's how to hide a crocodile & other reptiles. New York : Grosset & Dunlap, c1994. Demonstrates how various reptiles such as snakes, iguanas, and geckos camouflage themselves in their natural habitats. 1

597.96 SIM Simon, Seymour. Snakes. [New York] : HarperCollins, c1992. Describes, in text and photographs, the physical characteristics, habits, and natural environment of various species of snakes. 3P

599.773 SIM Simon, Seymour. Wolves. [New York, N.Y.] : HarperCollins, c1993. Text and photographs present the physical characteristics, habits, and natural environment of various species of wolves. 3P

Construction

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624.2 MAN Mann, Elizabeth, 1948-. The Brooklyn Bridge : a wonders of the world book. Describes the construction of the Brooklyn Bridge, from its conception by John Roebling in 1852 through, after many setbacks, its final completion under the direction of his son, Washington, in 1883. 4

627 MAN Mann, Elizabeth, 1948-. Hoover Dam. Describes the engineering, construction, and social and historical contexts of the Hoover Dam. 4

- 720 HOP Hopkinson, Deborah. Sky boys : how they built the Empire State Building. In 1931, a boy and his father watch as the world's tallest building, the Empire State Building, is constructed, step-by-step, near their Manhattan home. 2
- 932 MAN Mann, Elizabeth, 1948-. The Great Pyramid. A history of the construction of the Great Pyramid at Giza and the civilization that produced it. 4
- 937 MAN Mann, Elizabeth, 1948-. The Roman Colosseum. Describes the building of the Colosseum in ancient Rome, and tells how it was used. 4
- 972.81 MAN Mann, Elizabeth, 1948-. Tikal. A history of the Maya Indians in the city of Tikal, founded in 800 B.C. 4
- 951 MAN Mann, Elizabeth, 1948-. The Great Wall. Examines the building of the Great Wall of China and the thousands of years of conflict that preceded it. 4
- 972.87 MAN Mann, Elizabeth, 1948-. The Panama Canal. Relates the history of how the Panama Canal was planned and built, including the political, international, and health aspects of getting the project finished on time. 4
- 974.7 MAN Mann, Elizabeth, 1948-. Empire State Building. Discusses the history, design, and construction of New York City's Empire State Building. 4
- 985 MAN Mann, Elizabeth, 1948-. Machu Picchu. Describes the history of the Inca civilization and the construction of the city of Machu Picchu in the Andes Mountains. 4

Other Science topics

- 551.22 SIM Simon, Seymour. Danger! earthquakes. New York : SeaStar Books, c2002. Discusses the nature, causes, and destructive capabilities of earthquakes and describes some notable examples. 3P
- 551.55 SIM Simon, Seymour. Super storms. New York : SeaStar Books, c2002. Examines superstorms and their potential destructiveness, including thunderstorms, hailstone showers, tornadoes, hurricanes, and typhoons. 3P
- 551.55 SIM Simon, Seymour. Tornadoes. [New York] : HarperCollins, c1999. Describes the location, nature, development, measurement, and destructive effects of tornadoes, as well as how to stay out of danger from them. 3P
- 551.55 SIM Simon, Seymour. Hurricanes. Discusses where and how hurricanes are formed, the destruction caused by legendary storms, and the precautions to take when a hurricane strikes. 3P
- 551.6 WAL Walsh, Kieran. Weather math. The atmosphere -- Temperature -- Climate, part 1: average annual temperature - - Climate, part 2: precipitation -- Snowfall -- Wind -- Hurricanes and tornadoes. Explains how math is used in several aspects of meteorology and presents example equations. 4
- 574.5 CHE Cherry, Lynne. The great kapok tree : a tale of the Amazon rain forest. 1st Voyager Books ed. San Diego : Harcourt, 2000, c1990. The many different animals that live in a great kapok tree in the Brazilian rainforest try to convince a man with an ax of the importance of not cutting down their home. 2
- 577 PAL Pallotta, Jerry. Dory story. Watertown, MA : Talewinds/Charlesbridge, c2000. While taking a bath with his new red toy dory, a boy imagines himself alone on the ocean getting a first-hand look at the ocean's food chain. 1
- 577.16 CRE Crenson, Victoria. Horseshoe crabs and shorebirds : the story of a food web. Presents a portrait of the Delaware Bay in the spring when a wide variety of animals, including minnows, mice, turtles, raccoons, and especially migrating shorebirds, come to feed on the billions of eggs laid by horseshoe crabs. 2
- 577.2 SIM Simon, Seymour. Wildfires. [New York] : HarperCollins, c1996. Presents wildfires as neither good nor bad but as part of the endless cycle of change in forests and grasslands. 3P

- 591.4 AST Aston, Dianna Hutts. *An egg is quiet*. Describes many different kinds of eggs and how they support the lives growing inside of them. 2
- 591.56 RYL Rylant, Cynthia. *The journey : stories of migration*. Describes how and why animals such as monarch butterflies, gray whales, and Arctic terns migrate.
- 629.133 PAL Pallotta, Jerry. *The airplane alphabet book*. Watertown, MA : Charlesbridge Pub., c1997. An alphabet book that presents interesting facts about different kinds of airplanes. 2
- 629.133 PAL Pallotta, Jerry. *The jet alphabet book*. Watertown, MA : Charlesbridge, c1999. An alphabet book presenting unusual facts about a variety of jet planes, from the Airocomet to the Zephyr. 2
- 720 SIM Simon, Seymour. *Skyscrapers*. San Francisco, Calif. : SeaStar Books, c2005. Contains an introduction to skyscrapers, in simple text with illustrations, including information on how they are built, what they are made of, and which ones are the tallest in world. 2P
- 811 WHI Whitman, Walt, 1819-1892. *When I heard the learn'd astronomer*. 1st ed. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, [2004]. Presents Walt Whitman's poem "When I Heard the Learn'd Astronomer," illustrated with the story of a boy who finds relief in the night sky when he becomes overwhelmed by an academic presentation on the stars.
- 813 SEU Seuss, Dr. *The Lorax*. Random House, 1971. The Once-ler describes the results of the local pollution problem. 3
- 943 VAN Van Steenwyk, Elizabeth. *One fine day : a radio play*. Grand Rapids, Mich. : Eerdmans Books for Young Readers, 2003. Tells the story of the Wright Brothers' first successful flight, presented in the form of an illustrated radio play. 2

FINE ARTS

Music

- 92 AND Ryan, Pam Muñoz. When Marian sang. 1st ed. Scholastic Press, c2002. An introduction to the life of Marian Anderson, extraordinary singer and civil rights activist, who was the first African American to perform at the Metropolitan Opera, whose life and career encouraged social change. 2
- 92 MES Bryant, Jennifer. Music for the end of time. Grand Rapids, Mich. : Eerdmans Books for Young Readers, c2005. Presents the true story of French composer Oliver Messiaen, who was permitted to write and perform his music while a prisoner in a German POW camp during World War Two. 2
- 780 WAR Wargin, Kathy-Jo. M is for melody : a music alphabet. Chelsea, MI : Sleeping Bear Press, c2004. The letters of the alphabet are represented by words that relate to music, presented in short rhymes about instruments, terms, composers, and styles, each with additional information about the topic. 1/3
- 782.1 GAT Gatti, Anne. The magic flute. Retells the story of the Mozart opera in which the noble Prince Tamino seeks the fair Pamina against a backdrop of the battle between darkness and light. 3
- 784.9 MCC McCully, Emily Arnold. The orphan singer. Arthur A. Levine Books, c2001. Determined that their daughter realize her musical destiny, her poor but devoted parents send her away as a baby to the Venetian "ospedale," knowing she will be raised as an orphan and will never again be allowed to return home. 2
- 811 MYE Myers, Walter Dean, 1937-. Blues journey. 1st ed. New York : Holiday House, c2003. Presents blues lyrics that chronicle the history of the African-American experience, and includes information about the development of blues music. 1
- 940.3 MCC McCutcheon John Christmas in the Trenches PICTURE BOOK Peachtree – Chrstimas Day 1914, the two armies of World War I exit their trenches and meet in the middle to celebrate the day during a spontaneous truce. Although these actions did not stop the war, it left a feeling of hope in the hearts of each soldier who participated. Also included is a CD of the original song that McCutcheon also wrote. Having been to Flanders Fields myself, I call tell you that this is an important part of the WWI story. This subject should be fit into the curriculum anywhere it can – English, Geography, Music, Art – wherever.

Art

- 92 CHA Landmann, Bimba. I am Marc Chagall. Presents a look at the life and art of Marc Chagall, in simple, first-person, text with illustrations. Adapted from the book "My Life" by Marc Chagall. 2
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- 701 RAC Raczka, Bob. Art is-- Brookfield, Conn. : Millbrook Press, c2003. Rhyming text and photographs show that art is much more than just what can be hung on a wall or set on a pedestal. 1
- 750 DES Desnoettes, Caroline Look Closer: Art Masterpieces through the Ages PICTURE BOOK Walker (Bloomsbury) – The author looks at 19 masterpieces, enlarging certain details, asking questions and short looks at each painting's subject, history and palette. This book would be useful at any age for a short or involved discussion about art, especially if you have a document camera hooked up to a projector.
- 750 RAC Raczka, Bob. Unlikely pairs : fun with famous works of art. Contains a collection of twenty-eight works of art, from different eras and styles, presented in pairs, and invites the reader to discover fourteen funny stories produced by being viewed together. 0

751.7 ANC Ancona, George. Murals : walls that sing. 1st ed. New York : M. Cavendish, c2003. Presents a photo essay about murals, a form of art the photographer, George Ancona, regards as authentically for the people or "para el pueblo".

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758 CAP Capek, Michael. Artistic trickery : the tradition of trompe l'oeil art. You decide if it is real or is it a painting because it fools the eye.

759 RAC Raczka, Bob. More than meets the eye : seeing art with all five senses. Brookfield, Conn. : Millbrook Press, c2003. Provides images of paintings and new, sensory ways to experience them such as tasting the milk in Vermeer's "The Milkmaid," hearing the music in Tanner's "The Banjo Lesson," or smelling the fresh-cut stacks of wheat in Monet's "End of Summer."

759.13 BRY Bryant, Jennifer. Georgia's bones. Tells the story of artist Georgia O'Keeffe's lifelong interest in shapes, from her childhood on a Wisconsin farm, to her adult life in New York City and New Mexico.

759.13 CAP Capatti, Berenice. Klimt and his cat. Grand Rapids, Mich. : Eerdmans Books for Young Readers, 2005. The life and work of the famous Viennese painter Gustav Klimt is explored by his favorite cat.

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759.13 MAY Mayhew, James, 1964-. Katie's Sunday afternoon. 1st Scholastic ed. New York : Orchard Books, 2005, c2004. On a hot day, Katie and her grandmother visit the art museum, where Katie climbs into the paintings of pointillist artists Seurat, Pissarro, and Signac. Includes information about pointillism.

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759.13 MAY Mayhew, James, 1964-. Katie and the Mona Lisa. 1st American ed. New York : Orchard Books, 1999. At the art museum, while her grandmother dozes, Katie steps into the painting of the Mona Lisa and together they have adventures with the characters from four other well-known Renaissance paintings. Includes information about the artists.

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759.13 MAY Mayhew, James, 1964-. Katie and the sunflowers. 1st American ed. New York : Orchard Books, 2001, c2000. While visiting the art museum, Katie has an adventure stepping in and out of five paintings by Van Gogh, Gauguin, and Cezanne. Includes information about Post-impressionism and the particular paintings and artists in the story.

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759.13 YOU Young, Ed. Beyond the great mountains : a visual poem about China. San Francisco : Chronicle Books, 2005. Lyrical text and illustrations featuring Chinese characters and paper collage introduce the beauty and richness of China.

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818 WHY Why Did the Chicken Cross the Road? PICTURE BOOK Penguin - Fourteen popular children's illustrators come together, each with their own answers to that infamous questions. A delightful contrast of opinions and artistic styles that can be very amusing to students, besides being useful for English teachers and Art instructors. Very short, simple wording, but the pictures need time for exploration.

951.05 ZHA Zhang, Song Nan, 1943-. The children of China : an artist's journey. After the end of the Chinese Cultural Revolution and its enforced conformity, artist Song Nan Zhang discovers the colorful and free nomadic peoples of China.

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973 WOO Woodson, Jacqueline. Show way. New York : G. P. Putnam's Sons, c2005. The making of "Show ways," or quilts which once served as secret maps for freedom-seeking slaves, is a tradition passed from mother to daughter in the author's family.

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973.7 VAU Vaughan, Marcia K. The secret to freedom. 1st ed. New York : Lee & Low Books, c2001. Great Aunt Lucy tells a story of her days as a slave, when she and her brother, Albert, learned the quilt code to help direct other slaves and, eventually, Albert himself, to freedom in the north.

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MATH

- 92 ERA Lasky, Kathryn. The librarian who measured the earth. 1st ed. Joy Street Books, c1994. Describes the life and work of Eratosthenes, the Greek geographer and astronomer who accurately measured the circumference of the Earth. 2
- 510 CLE Clemson, Wendy. Using math to be a zoo vet. North American ed. Milwaukee, Wis. : Gareth Stevens Pub., 2005. Examines the importance of good math skills in veterinarian medicine and uses that format in the understanding of numbers, measurements, shapes, charts, and diagrams. 4
- 510 CLE Clemson, Wendy. Using math to create a movie stunt. North American ed., U.S. ed. Milwaukee, Wis. : Gareth Stevens Pub., 2005. Presents a number of math activities related to creating movie stunts by using numbers, measurements, shapes, charts, and diagrams. 4
- 510 CLE Clemson, Wendy. Using math to fly a jumbo jet. North American ed. Milwaukee, Wis. : Gareth Stevens, 2005. Explains how a pilots learn to fly, and looks at the math skills needed to prepare a flight plan and handle the many tasks involved in flying a jumbo jet. Includes related math activities. 4
- 510 CLE Clemson, Wendy. Using math to win a Grand Prix. North American ed. Milwaukee, Wis. : Gareth Stevens Pub., 2005. Explains how a Formula One racing driver uses math to help plan a strategy for winning a race and uses this format to assist students in understanding numbers, shapes, measurements, charts, and diagrams. 4
- 510 PIN Pinczes, Elinor J. One hundred hungry ants. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, c1993. One hundred hungry ants head towards a picnic to get yummys for their tummies. They stop to change their line formation, showing different divisions of one hundred, causing them to lose both time and food in the end.
- 510 SCI Scieszka, Jon. Math curse. Viking, 1995. When the teacher tells her class that they can think of almost everything as a math problem, one student acquires a math anxiety which becomes a real curse. 3
- 510 USI Using math to conquer extreme sports. North American ed., U.S. ed. Milwaukee, Wis. : Gareth Stevens Pub., 2005. Examines the importance of math in the performance of extreme sports such as snowboarding and in-line skating, and uses that format to foster an understanding of numbers, measurements, shapes, charts, and diagrams. 4
- 510 USI Using math to solve a crime. North American ed., U.S. ed. Milwaukee, WI : Gareth Stevens Pub., 2005. Examines how to solve crimes by using math and shows how math provides information on crime scene investigations and gathering evidence, interviewing suspects and witnesses, and analyzing clues such as footprints, blood and hair samples, and fingerprints. 4
- 513 LEV Levy, Janey. At sea on a Viking ship : solving problems of length and weight using the four math operations. New York: PowerKids Press, 2004. This book uses four mathematical operations to describe the Vikings' ships and the Vikings' way of life. 4
- 513.5 SCH Schwartz, David M. On beyond a million : an amazing math journey. New York : Random House, c1999. Explores counting by powers of ten all the way up to the largest numbers that exist. 3
- 516 NEU Neuschwander, Cindy. Sir Cumference and the dragon of pi : a math adventure. Watertown, MA : Charlesbridge, c1999. Radius, son of Sir Cumference, embarks on a quest to find the magic number known as pi in order to restore his father--who has been turned into a dragon--to his original shape. 2
- 516 NEU Neuschwander, Cindy. Sir Cumference and the sword in the cone : a math adventure. Watertown, MA : Charlesbridge, c2003. Sir Cumference, Radius, and Sir Vertex search for Edgecalibur, the sword that King Arthur has hidden in a geometric solid. 2

516 NEU Neuschwander, Cindy. Sir Cumference and the Great Knight of Angleland : a math adventure. Watertown, MA : Charlesbridge, c2001. To earn his knighthood, Radius must find and rescue a missing king. His father, Sir Cumference, and his mother, Lady Di of Ameter, give him a circular medallion, (a protractor), that he uses to find his way through a maze of many angles. 2

516 NEU Neuschwander, Cindy. Sir Cumference and the first round table : a math adventure. Watertown, MA : Charlesbridge, c1997. A math adventure in which King Arthur finds the perfect shape for his table with the ideas of his wife and son, and the assistance of his knight, Sir Cumference. 2

516 BUR Burns, Marilyn, 1941-. The greedy triangle. New York : Scholastic, c1994. Dissatisfied with its shape, a triangle keeps asking the local shapeshifter to add more lines and angles until it doesn't know which side is up. 1

530.8 ADL Adler, David A. How tall, how short, how faraway. New York : Holiday House, c1999. Introduces several measuring systems such as the Egyptian system, the inch-pound system, and the metric system. 1

530.8 HIG Hightower, Susan. Twelve snails to one lizard : a tale of mischief and measurement. 1st ed. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, c1997. Bubba the bullfrog helps Milo the beaver concepts of inches, feet, and yards. 2

530.8 MUR Murphy, Stuart J., 1942-. Room for Ripley. 1st ed. New York : HarperCollins, c1999. Uses a story about a young boy who is getting a fish bowl ready for his new pet to introduce various units of liquid measure.

551.6 WAL Walsh, Kieran. Weather math. The atmosphere -- Temperature -- Climate, part 1: average annual temperature - - Climate, part 2: precipitation -- Snowfall -- Wind -- Hurricanes and tornadoes. Explains how math is used in several aspects of meteorology and presents example equations. 4

PE

92 ALI Bolden, Tonya. The champ : the story of Muhammad Ali. 1st ed. New York : Knopf : Distributed by Random House, c2004. A picture book biography of Muhammad Ali, tracing his life from his childhood in Kentucky to his lighting of the Olympic Torch at the 1996 games. 2

510 CLE Clemson, Wendy. Using math to win a Grand Prix. North American ed. Milwaukee, Wis. : Gareth Stevens Pub., 2005. Explains how a Formula One racing driver uses math to help plan a strategy for winning a race and uses this format to assist students in understanding numbers, shapes, measurements, charts, and diagrams. 4

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796.332 BIL Bildner, Phil. The greatest game ever played : a football story. New York : Putnam, 2006. When their beloved baseball team, the New York Giants, moves to California, Sam and Pop switch their loyalties to the other New York Giants and attend their championship game with the Baltimore Colts. Includes historical note.

796.357 WEA Weatherford, Carole Boston, 1956-. A Negro league scrapbook. 1st ed. Honesdale, Pa. : Boyds Mills Press, c2005. Uses historical photographs and text to explore what it was like to play in baseball's Negro League, and provides information about some of the League's most distinguished players. 4

796.357 MOS Moss, Marissa. Mighty Jackie : the strike-out queen. 1st ed. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, c2004. In 1931, seventeen-year-old Jackie Mitchell pitches against Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig in an exhibition game, becoming the first professional female pitcher in baseball history. 2

796.357 RAP Rappaport, Doreen. Dirt on their skirts : the story of the young women who won the world championship. 1st ed. New York : Dial Books for Young Readers, c2000. Margaret experiences the excitement of watching the 1946 championship game of the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League as it goes into extra innings. 2

940.3 MCC McCutcheon John Christmas in the Trenches PICTURE BOOK Peachtree – Christmas Day 1914, the two armies of World War I exit their trenches and meet in the middle to celebrate the day during a spontaneous truce. Although these actions did not stop the war, it left a feeling of hope in the hearts of each soldier who participated. Also included is a CD of the original song that McCutcheon also wrote. Having been to Flanders Fields myself, I call tell you that this is an important part of the WWI story. This subject should be fit into the curriculum anywhere it can – English, Geography, Music, Art – wherever.

813 MOC Mochizuki, Ken, 1954-. Baseball saved us. 1st ed. New York : Lee & Low, c1993. A Japanese American boy learns to play baseball when he and his family are forced to live in an internment camp during World War II, and his ability to play helps him after the war is over. 2

813 LOR Lorbiecki, Marybeth. Jackie's bat. 1st ed. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, c2006. Joey, the batboy for the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1947, learns a hard lesson about respect for people of different races after Jackie Robinson joins the team. 3

SOCIAL STUDIES

Slavery and Civil Rights

- 92 BRI Coles, Robert. The story of Ruby Bridges. 1st Bookshelf ed. New York : Scholastic, 2004, c1995. For months six-year-old Ruby Bridges must confront the hostility of white parents when she becomes the first African American girl to integrate Frantz Elementary School in New Orleans in 1960.
- 92 BRI Bridges, Ruby. Through my eyes. 1st ed. New York : Scholastic, 1999. Ruby Bridges recounts the story of her involvement, as a six-year-old, in the integration of her school in New Orleans in 1960. 4
- 92 KIN Rappaport, Doreen. Martin's big words : the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Looks at the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, explaining his work to bring about a peaceful end to segregation. 1
- 92 PAR Giovanni, Nikki. Rosa. 1st ed. New York : Henry Holt, 2005. A brief illustrated account of Rosa Parks' refusal to give up her seat on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama in 1955, and the subsequent bus boycott by the black community. 2
- 306.3 LES Lester, Julius. From slave ship to freedom road. 1st ed. Dial Books, c1998. Paintings and text depict the course of slavery, beginning with the ships from Africa and continuing through the Civil War. 3
- 322.4 VAN Vander Zee, Ruth. Mississippi morning. Amidst the economic depression and the racial tension of the 1930s, a boy discovers a horrible secret of his father's involvement in the Ku Klux Klan. 2
- 323 MIC Michelson, Richard Across the Alley PICTURE BOOK Penguin - Abe and Willy live across the alley from each other, but miles apart, with Willy having to take violin lessons to learn songs for the Jewish temple and Abe practicing pitching for his father's Negro baseball team. Each boy learns the other's skill and when their elders discover their secret, they also find a way to bridge the gap. An excellent companion to Woodson's The Other Side. A medium length narrative.
- 323 WOO Woodson, Jacqueline. The other side. New York : G.P. Putnam's Sons, c2001. Two girls, one white and one African-American ,gradually get to know each other as they sit on the fence that divides their town. 2
- 382 HAS Haskins, James, 1941-. Bound for America. Lothrop, Lee & Shepard Books, c1999. Discusses the European enslavement of Africans, including their capture, branding, conditions on slave ships, shipboard mutinies, and arrival in the Americas. 4
- 811 MYE Myers, Walter Dean, 1937-. Blues journey. 1st ed. New York : Holiday House, c2003. Presents blues lyrics that chronicle the history of the African-American experience, and includes information about the development of blues music. 1
- 796.357 WEA Weatherford, Carole Boston, 1956-. A Negro league scrapbook. 1st ed. Honesdale, Pa. : Boyds Mills Press, c2005. Uses historical photographs and text to explore what it was like to play in baseball's Negro League, and provides information about some of the League's most distinguished players. 4
- 813 EDW Edwards, Pamela Duncan. Barefoot : escape on the underground railroad. [New York] : HarperCollins Publishers, c1997. In the forest, a group of animals help a runaway slave escape his pursuers. 2
- 813 LOR Lorbiecki, Marybeth. Jackie's bat. 1st ed. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, c2006. Joey, the batboy for the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1947, learns a hard lesson about respect for people of different races after Jackie Robinson joins the team. 3
- 813 POL Polacco, Patricia. Pink and Say. New York : Philomel Books, c1994. Chronicles the friendship of Pink, a fifteen-year-old African-American Union soldier, and Say, his poor white comrade, as one nurses the other back to health from a battle wound and the two of them are imprisoned at Andersonville. Based on a true story. 2

813 RIN Ringgold, Faith. Aunt Harriet's Underground Railroad in the sky. 1st Dragonfly Books ed. New York : Crown, 1995, c1992. With Harriet Tubman as her guide, Cassie retraces the steps escaping slaves took on the Underground Railroad in order to reunite with her younger brother.

973 LES Lester, Julius. The Old African. An elderly slave uses the power of his mind to ease the suffering of other slaves and eventually leads them back to Africa.

973 WOO Woodson, Jacqueline. Show way. New York : G. P. Putnam's Sons, c2005. The making of "Show ways," or quilts which once served as secret maps for freedom-seeking slaves, is a tradition passed from mother to daughter in the author's family. 2

PRO 379.2 MOR Morrison, Toni. Remember : the journey to school integration. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, 2004. Presents a selection of archival photographs that document events surrounding the integration of U.S. schools following the 1954 Supreme Court decision in Brown v. Board of Education, and includes captions in which Toni Morrison imagines what the people in the pictures must have been thinking and feeling.

American History

92 FRA Barretta, Gene Now and Ben: The Modern Inventions of Benjamin Franklin, PICTURE BOOK - A good look at the role that Benjamin Franklin's inventions and ideas have played in the formation of our modern society. Bright illustrations are a little childish seeming for older students, but I think they will actually catch the eye of the middle school student. A class on American history, a science class or a Technology, Life Careers class could all use this book as a jumping off point to further studies.

92 LIN Winters, Kay. Abe Lincoln : the boy who loved books. 1st ed. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, c2003. Describes how Abe Lincoln used books to change his life, and how he, in turn, changed the world.

92 SAC Erdrich, Liselotte. Sacagawea. Minneapolis : Carolrhoda Books, c2003. A biography of the Shoshone girl, Sacagawea, from age eleven when she was kidnapped by the Hidatsa to the end of her journey with Lewis and Clark, plus speculation about her later life.

296.4 KRE Krensky, Stephen Hanukkah at Valley Forge PICTURE BOOK Penguin - General learns the meaning of Hanukkah from a cold, but valiant soldier at Valley Forge and draws in his mind parallels to his own struggle for independence. Includes are very simple, but good explanation of the origins of Hanukkah. Short, simple wording.

299 MCL McLerran, Alice, 1933-. The ghost dance. New York : Clarion Books, c1995. A narrative of the origins and meaning of the Native American Indian ghost dance. 1

304.8 SAY Say, Allen. Grandfather's journey. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, c1993. A Japanese-American man recounts his grandfather's journey to America, which he later also undertakes, and the feelings of being torn by a love for two different countries. 1

325 LEE Lee, Milly. Landed. Based on the true story of Ms. Lee's father-in-law as he joined his family in America. Sun is held at Angel Island until he can prove that he truly is the son of the man he says he is. There he meets "paper sons" - boys who have paid for answers to memorize in order to be allowed into the US. Simple, but effective pictures and a well-written narrative.

385 MOS Moss, Marissa. True heart. 1st ed. San Diego : Silver Whistle, c1999. At the turn of the century, a young woman who works on the railroad accomplishes her yearning ambition to become an engineer when a male engineer is injured and can't drive his train. 2

385 SOL Yin. Coolies. New York : Philomel Books, c2001. A young boy hears the story of his great-great-great-grandfather and his brother who came to the United States to make a better life for themselves helping to build the transcontinental railroad. 2

385 YIN Yin Brothers PICTURE BOOK Penguin - Ming has come to San Francisco to help his brothers earn money to send home to their parents in China. While one brother is off working on the railroad, Ming watches the family's general store, while his oldest brother grows and harvest the fresh foods for the store. The store, in the city's new Chinatown district, does poorly, as the Chinese immigrants have very little money to spend. Then Ming makes a new friend who teaches him English, and his new skills help the store to grow. A sequel to *Coolies*. A simplistic, but good look at the slow path to acceptance that Chinese immigrants had to walk; it will be especially useful in the Northern California area.

388.3 AMM Ammon, Richard. *Conestoga wagons*. 1st ed. New York : Holiday House, c2000. Explains how Conestoga wagons were built and driven as well as their historical significance and importance to the early American economy. 3

398.2 BAN Bannon, Kay T. *Yonder Mountain : a Cherokee legend*. 1st ed. New York : Marshall Cavendish, c2002. A Cherokee chief chooses his successor by asking three candidates to climb a mountain, thus testing their character and strength. 2

811 LON Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth, 1807-1882. *The midnight ride of Paul Revere*. 1st pbk. ed. Washington, D.C. : National Geographic Society, 2002. The famous narrative poem recreating Paul Revere's midnight ride in 1775 to warn the people of the Boston countryside that the British were coming.

811 SEA Seattle, Chief, 1790-1866. *Brother eagle, sister sky : a message from Chief Seattle*. New York : Dial Books, c1991. A Suquamish Indian chief describes his people's respect and love for the earth, and concern for its destruction. 2

813 BOU Bouchard, Dave. *The journal of Etienne Mercier : Queen Charlotte Islands, 1853*. Custer, WA : Orca Book Publishers, c1998. Etienne Mercier uses his journal to record the experiences he has as he travels up the Queen Charlotte river. 3

813 BUN Bunting, Eve, 1928-. *Smoky night*. San Diego : Harcourt Brace, c1994. When the Los Angeles riots break out in the streets of their neighborhood, a young boy and his mother learn the values of getting along with others no matter what their background or nationality.

813 MOC Mochizuki, Ken, 1954-. *Baseball saved us*. 1st ed. New York : Lee & Low, c1993. A Japanese American boy learns to play baseball when he and his family are forced to live in an internment camp during World War II, and his ability to play helps him after the war is over. 2

817 TUR Turner, Ann Warren. *Dakota dugout*. Aladdin Books, 1989, c1985. A woman describes her experiences living with her husband in a sod house on the Dakota prairie.

817 WAT Waters, Kate. *Mary Geddy's day : a Colonial girl in Williamsburg*. New York : Scholastic, [2002], c1999. Mary Geddy, a ten-year-old girl in Williamsburg in 1776, is excited about the colony of Virginia's vote for independence, but sad that her best friend, whose father is loyal to the crown, will be moving back to England, and worried that the vote will mean her father must fight in a war.

917 SNE Sneve, Virginia Driving Hawk. *Bad River boys : a meeting of the Lakota Sioux with Lewis and Clark*. 1st ed. New York : Holiday House, c2005. A group of young Dakota Indians encounters members of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. 3

917.804 EDW Edwards, Judith, 1940-. *The great expedition of Lewis and Clark: by Private Reubin Field, member of the Corps of Discovery*. 1st ed. New York : Farrar Straus Giroux, 2003. An account, told in the words of one participant, of the difficulties and wonders that were part of the Lewis and Clark expedition to explore the land obtained as part of the Louisiana Purchase. 4

929.9 WIN Winstead, Amy. *The star-spangled banner*. Nashville, Tenn. : Ideals Children's Books, c2003. A young Baltimore boy and his brother witness the British bombardment of Fort McHenry in 1814 that culminates in the writing of the national anthem by Francis Scott Key. 2

943 VAN Van Steenwyk, Elizabeth. *One fine day : a radio play*. Grand Rapids, Mich. : Eerdmans Books for Young Readers, 2003. Tells the story of the Wright Brothers' first successful flight, presented in the form of an illustrated radio play. 2

- 959.7 MYE Myers, Walter Dean, 1937-. Patrol : an American soldier in Vietnam. 1st ed. HarperCollins Publishers, c2002. A frightened American soldier faces combat in the lush forests of Vietnam. 2
- 973.3 CHE Cheney, Lynne V. When Washington crossed the Delaware : a wintertime story for young patriots. 1st ed. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, c2004. Tells the story of how General George Washington led his exhausted, defeated troops across the Delaware on Christmas night 1776 to attack the Hessians and the British at Trenton and Princeton, turning the tide of the Revolution in favor of the Americans. 3
- 973.3 FRA Fradin, Dennis B. Let it begin here! : Lexington & Concord : first battles of the American Revolution. New York : Walker, 2005. Presents a short history of the Battles of Lexington and Concord, and describes how the rebel leaders were warned of the approaching British and the standoff between seventy Lexington militiamen and two hundred fifty British regulars. 2
- 973.3 MIN Minor, Wendell. Yankee Doodle America : the spirit of 1776 from A to Z. A abecedarian of important persons, places, things and events from the years surrounding 1776. Illustrations are photos of paintings done in the style of old American tavern signs. Great for a quick overview of important parts of American history. In a middle school or high school each item could be assigned out to individuals or partners for more in depth research. 2
- 973.7 TAN Tanaka, Shelley. A day that changed America : Gettysburg : the legendary battle and the Address that inspired a nation. 1st U.S. ed. New York : Hyperion Books for Children, 2003. Provides a short history of the Battle of Gettysburg and the commemorative address President Lincoln made there during the Civil War. 4
- 974.7 CUR Curlee, Lynn. Liberty. [1st ed.]. New York : Atheneum Books for Young Readers, c2000. Discusses all the planning and efforts that went into the construction of one of the most famous symbols of the United States, the Statue of Liberty.
- 975.3 CUR Curlee, Lynn. Capital. 1st ed. New York : Atheneum Books for Young Readers, c2003. Provides a history of Washington, D.C., focusing on the National Mall, its monuments and surrounding buildings. 4
- 976.4 TAN Tanaka, Shelley. A day that changed America : the Alamo : surrounded and outnumbered they chose to make a defiant last stand. 1st U.S. ed. New York : Hyperion Books for Children, 2003. Chronicles the events surrounding the battle at the Alamo in 1836 and explains why it was a key turning point in American history. 4
- 978 MUR Murphy, Claire Rudolf. I am Sacajawea, I am York : our journey West with Lewis and Clark. New York : Walker, c2005. Chronicles the contributions given to the Lewis and Clark expeditions by York, Clark's slave, and Sacajawea, the Shoshone woman who led them through hostile Indian territory. 2
- 979.4 LEE Lee, Milly. Earthquake. The true story of Ms. Lee's own mother and her family as they fled to safety during the San Francisco Earthquake of 1906. While the drawings are very simple, the text brings up some interesting cultural questions that children could explore further. 2
- 979.4 LEV Levitin, Sonia, 1934-. Boom town. After her family moves to California where her father goes to work in the gold fields, Amanda decides to make her own fortune baking pies and she encourages others to provide the necessary services--from a general store to a school--that enables her town to prosper. 2
- 979.5 HOP Hopkinson, Deborah. Apples to Oregon : being the (slightly) true narrative of how a brave pioneer father brought apples, peaches, pears, plums, grapes, and cherries (and children) across the plains. 1st ed. New York : Atheneum Books for Young Readers, c2004. A pioneer father transports his beloved fruit trees and his family to Oregon in the mid-nineteenth century. Based loosely on the life of Henderson Luelling. 2

Cultural Geography

304.6 SMI Smith, David J. If the world were a village : a book about the world's people. Toronto ; Tonawanda, NY : Kids Can Press, c2002. Breaks down the population of the world into a collection of one hundred representative people and describes what one would find in this global village, covering languages, ages, religions, food, air and water, schooling, and possessions, accompanied by vivid color illustrations.

- 305.8 FOX Fox, Mem, 1946-. Whoever you are. San Diego : Harcourt Brace, c1997. Despite the differences between people around the world, there are similarities that join us together, such as pain, joy, and love. 1
- 395 LAU Lauber, Patricia. What you never knew about fingers, forks, & chopsticks. 1st ed. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, c1999. Describes changes in eating customs throughout the centuries and the origins of table manners 3
- 392.3 LAU Lauber, Patricia What You Never Knew About Beds, Bedrooms and Pajamas PICTURE BOOK Simon and Schuster - A new addition to the Around the House series. Bright and fun illustrations compliment a quirky fact-filled picture book about sleeping and its accessories through the ages and around the globe. Teachers of any age of student could use this book in their classroom.
- 362.709 WIL Wilkes, Sybella. One day we had to run! Millbrook Press, c1994. Tells the stories of children who were forced to become refugees in Kenya when they fled from Somalia, Sudan, and Ethiopia because of famine and civil war. 4
- 392.3 LAU Lauber, Patricia What You Never Knew About Beds, Bedrooms and Pajamas PICTURE BOOK Simon and Schuster - A new addition to the Around the House series. Bright and fun illustrations compliment a quirky fact-filled picture book about sleeping and its accessories through the ages and around the globe. Teachers of any age of student could use this book in their classroom. 3
- 553.6 KUR Kurlansky, Mark The Story of Salt , 48 p. PICTURE BOOK Penguin - A well-ordered, detailed look at the history and importance of salt. Reading the entire book to a class would take most, if not all of a class period, but could be read in parts or facts could be extracted to show what the teacher needs of the book and the discussion of the importance of salt. Teachers at all levels, including geography, history and foods teachers, can find value in this book.
- 641.3 DOO Dooley, Norah. Everybody bakes bread. Minneapolis, MN : Carolrhoda Books, c1996. A rainy-day errand introduces Carrie to many different kinds of bread, including chapatis, challah, and papusas. Includes recipes. 3
- 641.3 DOO Dooley, Norah. Everybody brings noodles. Minneapolis : Carolrhoda Books, c2002. The block party was Carrie's idea, but when it arrives she can only think about two things: the talent show and the delicious noodle dishes from many countries that her neighbors are bringing. 3
- 641.3 DOO Dooley, Norah. Everybody cooks rice. Minneapolis, MN : Carolrhoda, c1991. Carrie is sent to find her younger brother at dinnertime and is introduced to a variety of cultures through encountering the many different ways rice is prepared at the different households visited. Recipes are included. 3
- 641.3 DOO Dooley, Norah. Everybody serves soup. Minneapolis : Carolrhoda Books, c2000. While trying to earn money by shoveling snow so she can buy her mother a Christmas present, Carrie comes up with an idea for just the right gift. Includes soup recipes. 3
- 709 CUR Curlee, Lynn. Seven wonders of the ancient world. 1st ed. New York : Atheneum Books for Young Readers, c2002. Profiles the Seven Wonders of the World, presenting painted illustrations and descriptions of their purposes, construction, and appearance, based on the findings of archaeologists. 4
- 810 RAS Raschka, Christopher. New York is English, Chattanooga is Creek. New York City, though a bit boastful, decides to throw a party to make new friends of other unique cities like Chattanooga and Minneapolis. 2

ASIA

- 92 MUH Demi. Muhammad. 1st ed. New York : Margaret K. McElderry Books, c2003. Introduces Muhammad and the basic tenets of the Islamic faith.
- 020 WIN Winter, Jeanette. The librarian of Basra : a true story from Iraq. 1st ed. Orlando : Harcourt, c2005. During the Iraq War of 2003, librarian Alia Muhammad saves thirty thousand new and old books in her Basra library from destruction.

- 296.4 BLU Blue, Rose. Good yontif : a picture book of the Jewish year. Millbrook Press, c1997. Information about the various Jewish holy days throughout the year follows a series of illustrations showing a young boy and his family celebrating each holiday.
- 297.36 GHA Ghazi, Suhaib Hamid. Ramadan. New York : Holiday House, c1996. Describes the celebration of the month of Ramadan by an Islamic family and discusses the meaning and importance of this holiday in the Islamic religion. 2
- 398.2 BER Berger, Barbara, 1945 Mar. 1-. All the way to Lhasa : a tale from Tibet. A boy and his yak persevere along the difficult way to the holy city of Lhasa and succeed where others fail.
- 398.2 SIL Silverman, Erica. Raisal's riddle. Sunburst ed. [New York] : Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2003, c1999. Presents a Jewish version of the Cinderella story, in which a poor but educated young woman captivates her Prince Charming--a rabbi's son--at a Purim ball.
- 811 MAN Mannis, Celeste Davidson. One leaf rides the wind : counting in a Japanese garden. New York : Puffin Books, 2005, c2002. In this collection of haiku poems, a young girl walks through a Japanese garden and discovers many delights, from one leaf to ten stone lanterns. Includes notes about Japanese religion and philosophy. 1
- 813 NYE Nye, Naomi Shihab. Sitti's secrets. 1st Aladdin Paperbacks ed. New York : Aladdin Paperbacks, 1997. A young girl describes a visit to see her grandmother in a Palestinian village on the West Bank. 2
- 813 OBE Oberman, Sheldon. The always prayer shawl. New York : Puffin Books, 1997. A prayer shawl is handed down from grandfather to grandson in this story of Jewish tradition and the passage of generations. 1
- 813 POL Polacco, Patricia. The keeping quilt. Rev. format ed. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 1998. A homemade quilt ties together the lives of four generations of an immigrant Jewish family, remaining a symbol of their enduring love and faith.
- 895.1 LEE Lee, Jeanne M. The Song of Mu Lan. Front Street, 1995. A young girl disguises herself as a man and leads the army of China to victory against the enemy. 1
- 915.1 BRO Brown, Don. Far beyond the garden gate : Alexandra David-Neel's journey to Lhasa. Boston : Houghton Mifflin Company, 2002. Describes the life and travels of Alexandra David-Neel, who became a scholar of Buddhism and Tibet in the early twentieth century and trekked thousands of miles to reach Lhasa, the Tibetan capital. 2
- 932 SIM Simon, Seymour. Pyramids & mummies. San Francisco : SeaStar Books, c2003. Provides an easy-to-read overview of Egyptian pyramids and the burial practices associated with them, and introduces the pyramids of other countries. 2
- 951 HAS Haskins, James, 1941-. Count your way through China. Carolrhoda Books, c1987. Presents the numbers one through ten in Chinese, using each number to introduce concepts about China and Chinese culture. 2
- 951 GOW Gower, Catherine. Long-Long's new year : a story about the Chinese Spring Festival. 1st ed. Boston : Tuttle Pub., 2005. Long-Long helps his Grandfather sell vegetables at the market so his family can make money for the Spring Festival celebration, but when he and Grandpa run into trouble, Long-Long wonders if they will sell enough to make do. 2
- 951 CHE Chen, Zhiyuan. On my way to buy eggs. While walking to the store to buy eggs, Shau-yu has many adventures. 1
- 951.05 ZHA Zhang, Song Nan, 1943-. The children of China : an artist's journey. After the end of the Chinese Cultural Revolution and its enforced conformity, artist Song Nan Zhang discovers the colorful and free nomadic peoples of China.
- 952 HAS Haskins, James, 1941-. Count your way through Japan. Carolrhoda Books, c1987. Presents the numbers one to ten in Japanese, using each number to introduce concepts about Japan and its culture. 3

SOUTH AMERICA

- 394.266 HOY Hoyt-Goldsmith, Diane. *Las Posadas : an Hispanic Christmas celebration*. New York : Holiday House, c1999. Follows an Hispanic American family in a small New Mexican community as they prepare for and celebrate the nine-day religious festival which occurs just before Christmas. 4
- 398.2 COB Coburn, Jewell Reinhart. *Domitila : a Cinderella tale from the Mexican tradition*. Auburn, Calif. : Shen's Books, c2000. y following her mother's admonition to perform every task with care and love, a poor young Mexican girl wins the devotion of the governor's son. 2
- 398.2 SAN San Souci, Robert D. *Little gold star : a Spanish American Cinderella tale*. New York: HarperCollins, c2000. A Spanish American retelling of the familiar story of a kind girl who is mistreated by her jealous stepmother and stepsisters. In this version, the Virgin Mary replaces the traditional fairy godmother. 2
- 813 CHE Cherry, Lynne. *The shaman's apprentice : a tale of the Amazonrain forest*. 1st Voyager Books ed. San Diego : Voyager Books/Harcourt, 2001, c1998. Kamanya, a Tirio Indian boy, believes in the shaman's wisdom about the healing properties of plants found in his homeland, the Amazon rain forest, and hopes to one day be a healer for his people. Based on a true story. 2
- 972 HAS Haskins, James, 1941-. *Count your way through Mexico*. Carolrhoda Books, c1989. Presents the numbers one to ten in Spanish, using each number to introduce concepts about Mexico and its culture. 2
- 972 WIN Winter, Jeanette. *Niño's mask*. New York : Dial Books for Young Readers, c2003. Told that he is too young to wear a mask at the Fiesta, Niño makes his own mask and surprises his family and the whole village. Includes a glossary of Spanish words and an author's note. 1
- 972.81 MAN Mann, Elizabeth, 1948-. *Tikal. A history of the Maya Indians in the city of Tikal, founded in 800 B.C.* 4
- 972.87 MAN Mann, Elizabeth, 1948-. *The Panama Canal*. Relates the history of how the Panama Canal was planned and built, including the political, international, and health aspects of getting the project finished on time. 4
- 985 MAN Mann, Elizabeth, 1948-. *Machu Picchu*. Describes the history of the Inca civilization and the construction of the city of Machu Picchu in the Andes Mountains. 4
- 981 HAS Haskins, James, 1941-. *Count your way through Brazil*. Carolrhoda Books, c1996. Uses the Portuguese words for the numbers from one to ten to introduce the land, history, and culture of Brazil. 2

AFRICA

- 398.2 TCH Tchana, Katrin. *Sense Pass King: a story from Cameroon*. 1st ed. New York: Holiday House, c2002. Despite a jealous king's repeated attempts to get rid of her, Ma'antah continually manages to outwit him and proves herself worthy of the name Sense Pass King. 2
- 932 MAN Mann, Elizabeth, 1948-. *The Great Pyramid*. A history of the construction of the Great Pyramid at Giza and the civilization that produced it. 4
- 960 HAS Haskins, James, 1941-. *Count your way through Africa*. Carolrhoda Books, c1989. Uses the Swahili words for the numbers from one to ten to introduce the land, history, and culture of Africa. 2
- 962 WIL Williams, Mary, 1967-. *Brothers in hope : the story of the lost boys of Sudan*. 1st ed. New York : Lee & Low, c2005. Eight-year-old Garang, orphaned by a civil war in Sudan, finds the inner strength to help lead other boys as they trek hundreds of miles seeking safety in Ethiopia, and then Kenya, before being offered sanctuary in the United States many years later. 2

967 CUN Cunnane, Kelly. For you are a Kenyan child. 1st ed. New York :Atheneum Books for Young Readers, c2006. Presents a children's book about a little Kenyan boy who gets distracted by all there is to see and do and forgets what his mama asked him to do. 2

EUROPE

296.4 RAP Rappaport, Doreen. The secret seder. During the Nazi occupation of France, a boy and his father slip out of their village and into the mountains, where they join a group of fellow Jews at a humble seder table. 0

398.2 SHU Shulman, Lisa. The matzo ball boy. In this Jewish version of "The Gingerbread Boy," a matzo ball runs away from an old woman as she prepares her Passover dinner. 2

513 LEV Levy, Janey. At sea on a Viking ship : solving problems of length and weight using the four math operations. New York: PowerKids Press, 2004. This book uses four mathematical operations to describe the Vikings' ships and the Vikings' way of life. 4

728.8 MAN Mannis, Celeste Davidson. The Queen's progress : an Elizabethan alphabet. New York : Viking, 2003. Uses the letters of the alphabet to provide an account of Queen Elizabeth's annual holiday, known as a "royal progress." 2

728.8 PLA Platt, Richard. Castle diary : the journal of Tobias Burgess, page. Candlewick Press, 1999. As a page in his uncle's castle in thirteenth-century England, eleven-year-old Tobias records in his journal his experiences learning how to hunt, play games of skill, and behave in noble society. Includes notes on noblemen, castles, and feudalism. 4

811 GRA Granfield, Linda. In Flanders fields : the story of the poem by John McCrae. Presents the context for the writing of the famous poem by the Canadian medical officer who attended injured soldiers in Flanders during the First World War. 1

813 DEE Deedy, Carmen Agra. The yellow star : the legend of King Christian X of Denmark. 1st ed. Atlanta : Peachtree, 2000. Retells the story of King Christian X and the Danish resistance to the Nazis during World War II.

937 MAN Mann, Elizabeth, 1948-. The Roman Colosseum. Describes the building of the Colosseum in ancient Rome, and tells how it was used. 4

940.3 MCC McCutcheon John Christmas in the Trenches PICTURE BOOK Peachtree – Christmas Day 1914, the two armies of World War I exit their trenches and meet in the middle to celebrate the day during a spontaneous truce. Although these actions did not stop the war, it left a feeling of hope in the hearts of each soldier who participated. Also included is a CD of the original song that McCutcheon also wrote. Having been to Flanders Fields myself, I call tell you that this is an important part of the WWI story. This subject should be fit into the curriculum anywhere it can – English, Geography, Music, Art – wherever.

940.53 KRI Krinitz, Esther Nisenthal. Memories of survival. 1st ed. New York : Hyperion, c2005. Presents a collection of embroidered panels depicting the childhood memories of the author's mother and her survival of the Holocaust in Poland during World War Two. 4

940.53 RUB Rubin, Susan Goldman. The flag with fifty-six stars : a gift from the survivors of Mauthausen. Presents a narrative description of the events of May 6, 1945, when members of the U.S. Army marched into the Mauthausen concentration camp during War II, and were presented with a makeshift United States flag by a group of prisoners of war. 3

940.53 VAN Vander Zee, Ruth. Erika's story. 1st ed. Mankato, MN : Creative Editions, 2003. A woman recalls how she was thrown from a train headed for a Nazi death camp in 1944, raised by someone who risked her own life to save the baby's, and finally found some peace through her own family. 2

943 HAS Haskins, James, 1941-. Count your way through Germany. Carolrhoda Books, c1990. Uses the numbers one through ten in German to introduce aspects of the history and culture of Germany. 2

944 HAS Haskins, James, 1941-. Count your way through France. Carolrhoda Books, c1996. Readers are introduced to France as they learn to count to ten in French. 2

947 HAS Haskins, James, 1941-. Count your way through Russia. Carolrhoda Books, c1987. Presents the numbers one through ten in Russian, using each number to introduce concepts about the Soviet Union and Russian culture. 2

949.5 HAS Haskins, James, 1941-. Count your way through Greece. Carolrhoda Books, c1996. Uses the numbers one through ten in Greek to introduce aspects of the history and culture of Greece. 2

Civil War

070.4 MOR Morrison, Taylor. Civil war artist. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, 1999. Traces an illustrator's sketch of a Civil War battle from the time it leaves his hands, through the engraving and printing processes, and to its final publication in a newspaper. 2

307.76 NOO Noon, Steve. A city through time. 1st American ed. London ; New York : DK, 2004. Traces the development of a typical city from Stone Age camp to a great high-rise urban center of 2005.

782.42 GIL Gilmore, P. S. (Patrick Sarsfield), 1829-1892. When Johnny comes marching home : a song about a soldier's return. Minneapolis, MN : Picture Window Books, c2003. Presents the illustrated lyrics to the Civil War song "When Johnny Comes Marching Home," and includes music notes, a history of the song, and a recipe for johnnycakes. 1

940 MIL Millard, Anne. A street through time. 1st American ed. New York : DK, 1998. Traces the development of one street from the Stone Age to the present day, from dirt track to the rebuilding of inns as wine bars, showing how people lived and what they did all day. 3

973.7 RAN Ransom, Candice F., 1952-. The promise quilt. 1st pbk. ed. New York : Walker, 2002. After her father leaves the family farm on Lost Mountain to be General Lee's guide, Addie finds ways to remember him-- even when he does not return at the end of the war. 2

973.7 VAU Vaughan, Marcia K. The secret to freedom. 1st ed. New York : Lee & Low Books, c2001. Great Aunt Lucy tells a story of her days as a slave, when she and her brother, Albert, learned the quilt code to help direct other slaves and, eventually, Albert himself, to freedom in the north. 2

973.71 RAP Rappaport, Doreen Freedom Ship PICTURE BOOK Hyperion - Every day, Robert and his family can see beyond the harbor at Charleston and out to the Union ships, which beckon them to freedom. Then one night he and his family join the crew of the Planter in a desperate bid to live free. Based on a true story of the Civil War. A good, short book to illustrate the many ways that American slaves made bids for freedom; could easily be read out loud in part of an American history class. 2

973.71 RAV Raven, Margot Theis Night Boat to Freedom PICTURE BOOK FSG - At his grandmother's urging, young John rows desperate slaves across the river to Ohio. On the night it is finally his turn to go, his insists that he will not leave without her too. Another good book about slaves and the Underground Railroad. Add this one and the one above to your stash and convince one of your history teachers to do a lesson based around them. 2

Explorers

92 GAM Goodman, Joan E. A long and uncertain journey : the 27,000-mile voyage of Vasco da Gama. An illustrated biography of Vasco da Gama, the Portuguese explorer who opened the sea route between Europe and India in the late fifteenth century. 4

92 HUD Goodman, Joan E. Beyond the sea of ice : the voyages of Henry Hudson. An account of Henry Hudson's four voyages in search of a passage to the Orient in the early seventeenth century and the discoveries made by him on the northeastern coast of America. 4

92 LA Goodman, Joan E. Despite all obstacles : La Salle and the conquest of the Mississippi. A biography of the man who explored the St. Lawrence, Ohio, Illinois, and Mississippi rivers, and who claimed America's heartland for King Louis XIV and France. 4

92 POW Waldman, Stuart, 1941-. The last river : John Wesley Powell & the Colorado River Exploration Expedition / by Stuart Waldman ; illustrated by Gregory Manchess. Presents an account of the Colorado River Exploration Expedition, a journey organized in 1969 by geology professor John Wesley Powell to explore the last uncharted river in the United States, and shares details of Powell's life, as well as the lives of members of his team. 4

917 SNE Sneve, Virginia Driving Hawk. Bad River boys : a meeting of the Lakota Sioux with Lewis and Clark. 1st ed. A group of young Dakota Indians encounters members of the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

ENGLISH

810 RAS Raschka, Christopher. New York is English, Chattanooga is Creek. New York City, though a bit boastful, decides to throw a party to make new friends of other unique cities like Chattanooga and Minneapolis. 2

813 MAN Manushkin, Fran The Shivers in the Fridge PICTURE BOOK Penguin - A family of five finds itself in a cold, dark place. As each family goes off in search of a warm, brighter home, each disappears, snatched by a bright light and huge, ominous hand. A delightful look at point of view that young children and older children can enjoy. 2

818 WHY Why Did the Chicken Cross the Road? PICTURE BOOK Penguin - Fourteen popular children's illustrators come together, each with their own answers to that infamous questions. A delightful contrast of opinions and artistic styles that can be very amusing to students, besides being useful for English teachers and Art instructors. Very short, simple wording, but the pictures need time for exploration.

Grammar

415 TRU Truss, Lynne. Eats, shoots & leaves : why, commas really do make a difference! A panda walks into a diner, eats a bit, shoots a couple of arrows and then leaves. So begins several pages of misplaced and replaced commas and great illustrations for each convention. The importance of the lowly comma becomes very evident. This title was originally published as a non-fiction title that expounds at great length (yes, I have read it). This much shorter, and to the point adaptation, would be an excellent tool at every level of education. You will need a opaque projector or its modern equivalent in order to make the most of this title. 1

415 WAL Walton, Rick. Suddenly alligator : an adverbial tale. A young boy walks through the swamp in quest of a new pair of socks. Along with other discoveries, he encounters an alligator intent on making the boy his next meal. The author places each adverb at the end of the sentence add emphasis, helping younger readers enjoy the lesson. Middle or high school grammar and writing teachers could use this book to show how using a wide variety of adverbs enhances writing MIGHTILY. 1

418 SEE Seeger, Pete and Paul Dubois Jacobs The Deaf Musicians, PICTURE BOOK Penguin - A musician loses his hearing and his job, but rediscovers his love of music as he learns sign language and finds other musicians to share his new style. The bright, edgy drawings mimic the jazzy style of the music in this book. Younger students may enjoy discussing and practicing what deaf jazz musicians might look like. Short, quick read; would be very useful in older classes as an example of onomatopoeia. 1

428 SHU Shulman, Mark, 1962-. Mom and Dad are palindromes : a dilemma for words ... and backwards. Introduces more than one hundred palindromes through the story of Bob, a boy who cannot figure out if he is coming or going after realizing he is surrounded by palindromes, from his mom and dad, to his dog Otto.

428.1 CLE Cleary, Brian P., 1959-. How much can a bare bear bear? : what are homonyms and homophones? Presents a short study for early learners that teaches how to recognize and understand the difference between homonyms and homophones. 2

428.1 CLE Cleary, Brian P., 1959-. Pitch and throw, grasp and know: what is a synonym? Minneapolis : Carolrhoda Books, c2005. Presents a colorfully illustrated children's book that explains the concept of synonyms through rhymes. 2

428.2 CLE Cleary, Brian P., 1959-. Dearly, nearly, insincerely: what is an adverb? Minneapolis : Millbrook, c2003. Rhyming text and illustrations present numerous examples of adverbs and their functions. 2

428.2 CLE Cleary, Brian P., 1959-. Hairy, scary, ordinary: what is an adjective? Minneapolis : Carolrhoda Books, c2000. Rhyming text and illustrations of comical cats present numerous examples of adjectives, from "hairy, scary, cool, and ordinary" to "tan and tall," "funny, frisky, smooth, and small." 2

428.2 CLE Cleary, Brian P., 1959-. I and you and don't forget who : what is a pronoun? Minneapolis : Carolrhoda Books, c2004. Rhyming text and illustrations of comical cats present numerous examples of pronouns and their functions, from "he" and "she" to "anyone", "neither", and "which." 2

428.2 CLE Cleary, Brian P., 1959-. A mink, a fink, a skating rink: what is a noun? Minneapolis : Carolrhoda Books, c1999. Rhyming text and illustrations of comical cats present numerous examples of nouns, from "gown" and "crown" to "boat", "coat", and "clown." 2

428.2 CLE Cleary, Brian P., 1959-. To root, to toot, to parachute: what is a verb? Minneapolis, MN : Carolrhoda Books, c2001. Rhyming text and illustrations of comical cats present numerous examples of verbs, from "toss and tumble," "jump and jam," to "whine and whisper," "sleep and slam." 2

428.1 CLE Cleary, Brian P., 1959-. Stop and go, yes and no : what is an antonym? An illustrated rhyming book about antonyms such as stop and go, yes and no, and sad and glad. 2

428.2 CLE Cleary, Brian P., 1959-. Under, over, by the clover : what is a preposition? Presents mischievous cartoons and rhymes designed to help readers memorize the prepositions. 2

428.1 TER Terban, Marvin. In a pickle and other funny idioms. New York : Clarion Books, c1983. Thirty common English phrases, such as "a chip off the old block" and "cry over spilled milk" are illustrated and explained. 2

428.2 TER Terban, Marvin. Your foot's on my feet! : and other tricky nouns. New York : Clarion, c1986. Explores the plural forms of 100 irregular nouns such as mouse/mice in humorous rhymes and tongue twisters. 2

813 ARN Arnold, Tedd. Even more parts : idioms from head to toe. A young boy is worried about what will happen to his body when he hears such expressions as "I'm tongue-tied," "don't give me any of your lip," and "I put my foot in my mouth."

813 ARN Arnold, Tedd. More parts. A young boy is worried about what will happen to his body when he hears such expressions as "give him a hand," "laugh your head off," and "hold your tongue."

813 ARN Arnold, Tedd. Parts. A five-year-old boy thinks his body is falling apart until he learns that new teeth grow, and hair and skin replace themselves.

Poetry

808.1 CAR Carroll, Lewis, 1832-1898. Jabberwocky. An illustrated version of the classic nonsense poem from "Through the Looking Glass."

811 CLE Cleary, Brian P., 1959-. Rhyme & punishment : adventures in wordplay. A humorous poetry collection of puns on various subjects including music, animals, geography, and food. 4

811 BRY Bryant, Jennifer. Call me Marianne. A boy meets an older woman at the zoo, and together they observe the animals while she tells him about the process of writing poetry.

811 GRA Granfield, Linda. In Flanders fields : the story of the poem by John McCrae. Presents the context for the writing of the famous poem by the Canadian medical officer who attended injured soldiers in Flanders during the First World War.

811 MAN Mannis, Celeste Davidson. One leaf rides the wind : counting in a Japanese garden. In this collection of haiku poems, a young girl walks through a Japanese garden and discovers many delights, from one leaf to ten stone lanterns. Includes notes about Japanese religion and philosophy.

821 TEN Tennyson, Alfred Tennyson, Baron, 1809-1892. The lady of Shalott. To avoid a curse which foretells her doom if ever she looks upon the city of Camelot, the Lady of Shalott never leaves her tower, but her attempt to trick fate fails.

CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

Ada, Alma Flor. - *The song of the teeny-tiny mosquito* 15p Singing and singing after being swallowed by a frog, a tiny mosquito sets off a chain reaction that upsets the food chain and leaves him free as a bird.

Baum, Loius *The Mouse Who Braved Bedtime* PICTURE BOOK Bloomsbury – A little Mouse hears terrible noises at bedtime, but neither his mother or father nor even his big brother can help him conquer his fears. This extremely cute book would be a great addition to the elementary library, but also a welcome character education book for middle school.

Bianco, Margery Williams, 1880-1944. - *The velveteen rabbit* 44p By the time the velveteen rabbit is dirty, worn out, and about to be burned, he has almost given up hope of ever finding the magic called Real.

Brown, Laurene Krasny. - *Dinosaurs divorce : a guide for changing families* 32p Text and illustrations of dinosaur characters introduce aspects of divorce such as its causes and effects, living with a single parent, spending holidays in two separate households, and adjusting to a stepparent.

Brumbeau, Jeff. - *The quiltmaker's journey* 46p The quiltmaker grows up wealthy and sheltered, but radically changes her life after she discovers the poverty and need outside her town.

Buscaglia, Leo F. - *The fall of Freddie the leaf : a story of life for all ages* 32p As Freddie experiences the changing seasons along with his companion leaves, he learns about the delicate balance between life and death.

Coombs, Kate - *The secret-keeper.* The people of Maldinga bring their secrets to Kalli who keeps them all safe until they become too much for her to bear.

DeLuise, Dom. - *Charlie the caterpillar* 33p A caterpillar is rejected by various groups of animals, until he achieves his beautiful wings and is able to befriend a similarly unhappy caterpillar.

Demi. - *The empty pot,* 32p When Ping admits that he is the only child in China unable to grow a flower from the seeds distributed by the Emperor, he is rewarded for his honesty.

Goschke, Julia Langley Longears, PICTURE BOOK - Langley has much longer ears than any of his sibling dogs. So long, in fact, that he is often mistaken for a rabbit. When trouble strikes, however, it is Langley and his long ears that save the day. A cute picture book to talk about the differences that make us all unique and valuable.

Kraus, Robert, 1925- - *Where are you going, little mouse?* 34p A little mouse runs away from home to find a "nicer" family, but when darkness comes, he misses them and realizes how much he loves them.

Livo, Norma J., 1929- - *Bringing out their best : values education and character development through traditional tales* 267p Contains fifty-five stories from around the world that illustrate the importance of good values and character to young people, grouped in the categories of love, fairness, appreciation, perseverance, compassion, trustworthiness, self-discipline, respect and tolerance, cooperation, self-confidence, responsibility, and dealing with bullies.

Lovell, Patty, 1964- - *Stand tall, Molly Lou Melon* 32p Even when the class bully at her new school makes fun of her, Molly remembers what her grandmother told her and she feels good about herself.

Madonna, 1958- - *Mr. Peabody's apples* 28p A boy learns a lesson about the destructive power of gossip.

Mills, Lauren A. - *The rag coat* 32p Minna proudly wears her new coat made of clothing scraps to school, where the other children laugh at her until she tells them the stories behind the scraps.

Munsch, Robert N., 1945- - *The paper bag princess* 27p Princess, Elizabeth, robbed of her beautiful clothes and her fiancé by a fierce dragon, dons a paper bag and marches off to rescue her prince, only to realize he is not worthy of her efforts.

Muth, Jon J. - *Stone soup* 32p Three hungry men charm a poor village into making enough soup to feed them all.

Muth, Jon J. - *The three questions* 32p Nikolai asks his animal friends to help him answer three important questions: "When is the best time to do things?" "Who is the most important?" and "What is the right thing to do?"

Norfolk, Bobby, 1951- - *The moral of the story : folktales for character development.*, 175p A guide to using storytelling and folktales in character education that includes twelve stories that can be used in different lessons and additional sources of folktales that would be suitable for classroom use.

Polacco, Patricia. - *Thank you, Mr. Falker* 40p At first, Trisha loves school, but her difficulty learning to read makes her feel dumb, until, in the fifth grade, a new teacher helps her understand and overcome her problem.

Rosenthal, Amy Krouse *One of Those Days* - A look at all of those different kinds of "bad days" with a hopeful note that each day ends with the coming of night and the start of a new day and a new chance. The childlike illustrations work well with this book, which is so apt in its account of the many little (and some bigger) things that can go wrong and make your whole day miserable. I would advise middle schools with Teacher Advisory programs to add this book to their stash of classroom read-alouds.

Spier, Peter. - *People* 44p Emphasizes the differences among the four billion people on earth.

Waber, Bernard. - *You look ridiculous, said the rhinoceros to the hippopotamus* 32p A hippopotamus dreams of having an appearance combining the polite suggestions of her friends.

Wood, Douglas - *The secret of saying thanks*. While learning the secret to a good life, a child says thank you for the natural world and for being loved, because a grateful heart is always happy.

Yashima, Taro, 1908- - *Crow Boy* 37p The story of a strange, shy little boy in a Japanese village school who was ignored by his classmates until suddenly, and almost too late, a new teacher showed them that Crow Boy had much to offer.

Yolen, Jane. - *Sleeping ugly* 64p Princess Miserella, a beautiful but mean-spirited girl, Plain Jane, and a fairy all fall victim to a sleeping spell, and when Prince Jojo comes along, a youngest son with no money or property, he makes a surprising but wise choice of who to kiss first.

Yorinks, Arthur. - *Hey, Al* 32p A city janitor and his treasured canine companion are transported by a large colorful bird to an island in the sky, where their comfortable paradise existence threatens to turn them into birds as well.

Young, Ed. - *I, Doko : the tale of a basket* A Nepalese basket tells the story of its use through three generations of a family.

Zolotow, Charlotte, 1915- - *The hating book* 32p A little girl knew her friend hated her, but she didn't know why until she finally got up courage to ask why they were being so rotten to each other.

CINDERELLA STORIES

Cinderella. Phoenix, AZ : Oryx Press, 1992. Presents versions of the Cinderella story which represent many cultures, geographical areas, and styles. Includes information about the tales, related activities, and resources.

Buehner, Caralyn. *Fanny's dream*. 1st ed. New York : Dial Books for Young Readers, c1996. Fanny Agnes is a sturdy farm girl who dreams of marrying a prince, but when her fairy godmother doesn't show up, she decides on a local farmer instead.

Climo, Shirley. *The Egyptian Cinderella*. 1st ed. Crowell, c1989. In this version of Cinderella set in Egypt in the sixth century B.C., Rhodopes, a slave girl, eventually comes to be chosen by the Pharaoh to be his queen.

Climo, Shirley. *The Korean Cinderella*. 1st ed. New York, NY : HarperCollinsPublishers, c1993. In this version of Cinderella set in ancient Korea, Pear Blossom, a stepchild, eventually comes to be chosen by the magistrate to be his wife.

Climo, Shirley. *The Persian Cinderella*. 1st ed. New York : HarperCollins, c1999. A retelling of the traditional Persian tale in which Settareh, neglected and abused by her stepmother and stepsisters, finds her life transformed with the help of a little blue jug.

Coburn, Jewell Reinhart. *Angkat : the Cambodian Cinderella*. 1st ed. Shen's Books, c1998. A Cambodian version of Cinderella in which a poor girl marries a prince, is killed by her jealous stepfamily, and then, through her virtue, returns to become queen.

Coburn, Jewell Reinhart. *Domitila : a Cinderella tale from the Mexican tradition*. Auburn, Calif. : Shen's Books, c2000. By following her mother's admonition to perform every task with care and love, a poor young Mexican girl wins the devotion of the governor's son.

Coburn, Jewell Reinhart. *Jouanah, a Hmong Cinderella*. 1st ed. Shen's Books, c1996. Despite a cruel stepmother's schemes, Jouanah, a young Hmong girl, finds true love and happiness with the aid of her dead mother's spirit and a pair of special sandals.

Cole, Babette. *Prince Cinders*. Putnam & Grosset, 1997, c1987. A fairy grants a small, skinny prince a change in appearance and the chance to go to the Palace Disco.

Ellwand, David. *Cinderlily : a floral fairy tale in three acts*. 1st U.S. ed. Cambridge, MA : Candlewick Press, 2003. Flowers represent all the characters in this version of the classic fairy tale.

Hickox, Rebecca. *The golden sandal : a Middle Eastern Cinderella*. 1st ed. Holiday House, c1998. An Iraqi version of the Cinderella story in which a kind and beautiful girl who is mistreated by her stepmother and stepsister finds a husband with the help of a magic fish.

Jaffe, Nina. *The way meat loves salt : a Cinderella tale from the Jewish tradition*. 1st ed. New York : Holt, 1998. In this Eastern European Jewish variant of the Cinderella story, the youngest daughter of a rabbi is sent away from home in disgrace, but thanks to the help of the prophet Elijah, marries the son of a renowned scholar and is reunited with her family. Includes words and music to a traditional Yiddish wedding song.

Lacson, Tomas. *Si Mariang Alimango*. Children's Communication Center, 1992. Mariang Alimango is aided by her fairy godmother, a crab, in finding her prince.

Louie, Ai-Ling. *Yeh-Shen : a Cinderella story from China*. New York : Philomel Books, c1982. A young Chinese girl overcomes the wickedness of her stepsister and stepmother to become the bride of a prince.

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