

Junior Historical Fiction

- J FIC AND
316 p. ***Twenty and Ten***—by Claire Huchet Bishop
Twenty school children hide ten Jewish children from the Nazis during the occupation of France during World War II.
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76 p. ***Chains: Seeds of America***—by Laurie Halse Anderson
After being sold to a cruel couple in New York City, a slave named Isabel spies for the rebels during the Revolutionary War.
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240 p. ***Charlotte's Rose***—by A.E. Cannon
As a twelve-year-old Welsh immigrant carries a motherless baby along the Mormon Trail in 1856, she comes to love the baby as her own and fears the day the baby's father will reclaim her.
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225 p. ***Al Capone Does My Shirts***—by Jennifer Choldenko
A twelve-year-old boy named Moose moves to Alcatraz Island in 1935 when guards' families were housed there, and has to contend with his extraordinary new environment in addition to life with his autistic sister.
- J FIC CUR
341 p. ***Elijah of Buxton***—by Christopher Paul Curtis
In 1859, eleven-year-old Elijah Freeman, the first free-born child in Buxton, Canada, which is a haven for slaves fleeing the American south, uses his wits and skills to try to bring to justice the lying preacher who has stolen money that was to be used to buy a family's freedom.
- J FIC CUS
195 p. ***The Ballad of Lucy Whipple***—by Karen Cushman
In 1849, twelve-year-old Lucy is distraught when her mother moves the family from Massachusetts to a small California mining town, where Lucy helps run a rough boarding house and looks for comfort in books while trying to find a way to get home.
- J FIC DEF
151 p. ***The Apprenticeship of Lucas Whitaker***—by Cynthia DeFelice
Twelve-year-old Lucas Whitaker, orphaned in 1849 when his entire family is claimed by consumption, takes a job as an apprentice with Doc Beecher, and learns the truth about the difference between superstition and science.
- J FIC HAH
216 p. ***Stepping on the Cracks***—by Mary Downing Hahn
In 1944, while her brother is overseas fighting in World War II, eleven-year-old Margaret gets a new view of the school bully, Gordy, when she finds him hiding his own brother, an army deserter, and decides to help him.
- J FIC HES
227 p. ***Out of the Dust***—by Karen Hesse
In a series of poems, fifteen-year-old Billie Jo relates the hardships of living on her family's wheat farm in Oklahoma during the dust bowl years of the Depression.
- J FIC HOL
272 p. ***Boston Jane***—by Jennifer L. Holm
Schooled in the lessons of etiquette for young ladies of 1854, Miss Jane Peck of Philadelphia finds little use for manners during her long sea voyage to the Pacific Northwest and while living among the American traders and Chinook Indians of Washington Territory.
- J FIC IBB
298 p. ***Journey to the River Sea***—by Eva Ibbotson
Sent with her governess to live with the dreadful Carter family in exotic Brazil in 1910, Maia endures many hardships before fulfilling her dream of exploring the Amazon River.
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247 p. ***Moccasin Trail***—by Eloise Jarvis McGraw
A pioneer boy, brought up by Crow Indians, is reunited with his family and attempts to orient himself in the white man's culture.
- J FIC LOW
137 p. ***Number the Stars***—by Lois Lowry
In 1943, during the German occupation of Denmark, ten-year-old Annemarie learns how to be brave and courageous when she helps shelter her Jewish friend from the Nazis.
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58 p. ***Sarah, Plain and Tall***—by Patricia MacLachlan
When their father invites a mail-order bride to come live with them in their prairie home, Caleb and Anna are captivated by their new mother and hope that she will stay.
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272 p. ***The Kite Rider***—by Geraldine McCaughrean
In thirteenth-century China, after trying to save his widowed mother from a horrendous second marriage, twelve-year-old Haoyou has life-changing adventures when he takes to the sky as a circus kite rider and ends up meeting the great Mongol ruler Kublai Khan.
- J FIC MIL
208 p. ***Miss Spitfire: Reaching Helen Keller***—by Sarah Miller
At age twenty-one, partially-blind, lonely but spirited Annie Sullivan travels from Massachusetts to Alabama to try and teach six-year-old Helen Keller, deaf and blind since age two, self-discipline and communication skills.

J FIC ODE
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Island of the Blue Dolphins—by Scott O'Dell
When her tribe emigrates and she is left behind, an Indian girl lives alone for eighteen years on an isolated island off the California coast, demonstrating courage and self-reliance.

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Adaline Falling Star—by Mary Pope Osborne
After her mother dies, Adaline is sent to live in St. Louis while her father, Kit Carson, explores the West. But cruel relatives and her own daring nature soon force Adaline to take extreme measures.

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A Single Shard by Linda Sue Park
Tree-ear, a thirteen-year-old orphan in medieval Korea, lives under a bridge in a potters' village, and longs to learn how to throw the delicate celadon ceramics himself.

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Lyddie—by Katherine Paterson
In 1843, Lyddie gets a job in a cloth factory to pay off her family's farm debts, and finds refuge from wretched working conditions by burying herself in books.

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Yellow Star—by Jennifer Roy
From 1939, when Sylvia is four and a half years old, to 1945 when she has just turned ten, a Jewish girl and her family struggle to survive in Poland's Lodz ghetto during the Nazi occupation.

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Riding Freedom—by Pam Muñoz Ryan
Charley (Charlotte) Parkhurst runs away from an orphanage, poses as a boy, moves to California, and fools everyone by her appearance.

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The Wednesday Wars—by Gary D. Schmidt
During the 1967 school year, on Wednesday afternoons when all his classmates go to either Catechism or Hebrew school, seventh-grader Holling Hoodhood stays in Mrs. Baker's classroom where they read the plays of William Shakespeare and Holling learns much of value about the world he lives in.

J FIC SMI
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The Captain's Dog: My Journey with the Lewis and Clark Tribe—by Roland Smith
Captain Meriwether Lewis's dog Seaman describes his experiences as he accompanies his master on the Lewis and Clark Expedition to explore the uncharted western wilderness.

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The Sign of the Beaver—by Elizabeth George Speare
Left alone to guard the family's wilderness home in eighteenth-century Maine, a boy is hard-pressed to survive until local Indians teach him their skills.



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