

Historical Fiction Book List

Pre and Post Civil War

Level	Title	Author	Book Type
L *	Blue and the Gray, The	Eve Bunting	Picture Book
M	A. Lincoln and Me	Louise Borden	Picture Book
M	Civil War on Sunday	Mary Pope Osborne	Chapter Book
M *	Follow the Drinking Gourd	Jeanette Winter	Picture Book
M	Secret to Freedom, The	Marcia Vaughn	Picture Book
N	Civil War Days	Ellen Weiss	Chapter Book
N	More Than Anything Else	Marie Bradby	Picture Book
N	Patchwork Path	Bettye Stroud	Picture Book
N	Who Came Down That Road?	George Ella Lyon	Picture Book
O	Charlie Waters Goes to Gettysburg	Susan Sinnott	Chapter book
O *	Freedom School, Yes!	Amy Littlesugar	Picture Book
O *	Nettie's Trip South	Ann Turner	Picture Book
O	Promise Quilt, The	Candice Ransom	Picture Book
O	Saving the Liberty Bell	Marty Figley	Picture Book
P	After the Rain, Virginia's Civil War Diary: Book Two, Washington D.C. 1864	Mary Pope Osborne	Diary Chapter Book
P *	Lucky Stone, The	Lucille Clifton	Chapter Book
P	Minty: A Story of Young Harriet Tubman	Alan Schroeder	Picture Book
P	My Brother's Keeper: Virginia's Civil War Diary	Mary Pope Osborne	Diary Chapter Book
P	Time To Dance, A: Virginia's Civil War Diary: Book Three	Mary Pope Osborne and Will Osborne	Diary Chapter Book
Q	Changes for Addy	Connie Porter	Chapter Book
Q	Meet Addy: American Girls Series	Connie Porter	Chapter Book
R	Aunt Harriet's Underground Railroad in the Sky	Faith Ringgold	Picture Book
R C	addie Woodlawn	Carol Ryrie Brink	Chapter Book
R	Diary of a Drummer Boy	Marlene Targ Brill	Chapter Book
R *	Freedom Crossing	M. Goff Clark	Chapter Book
R	From Slave Ship to Freedom Road	Maurine F. Dahlberg	Picture Book
R	Gentle Annie: The True Story of a Civil War Nurse	Mary Francis Shura	Chapter Book
R	Haunting at Stratton Falls, The	Brenda Seabrooke	Chapter Book
R	Haunting of Swain's Fancy, The	Brenda Seabrooke	Chapter Book
R	Spirit and Gilly Bucket, The	Maurine F. Dahlberg	Chapter Book
S *	Ajeemah and his Son	James Berry	Chapter Book

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S	Bright Freedom's Song	Gloria Houston	Chapter Book
S	Gleam and Glow	Eve Bunting	Picture Book
S *	Gold Cadillac, The	Mildred Taylor	Chapter Book
S	Heart Calls Home, The	Joyce Hansen	Chapter Book
S *	I Thought My Soul Would Rise and Fly	Joyce Hansen	Diary
S *	Pink and Say	Patricia Polacco	Picture Book
S *	Sweet Clara and the Freedom Quilt	Deborah Hopkinson	Chapter Book
T	Abner and Me	Dan Gutman	Chapter Book
T Am	elia's War	Ann Rinaldi	Chapter Book
T	Ballad of the Civil War, A	Mary Stolz	Chapter Book
T	Civil War Ghosts	Daniel Cohen	Picture Book
T *	Dear Austin	Elvira Woodruff	Diary/letters
T	Fort Sumter	Brendan January	Chapter Book
T	Forty Acres and Maybe a Mule	Harriette Gillem Robinet	Chapter Book
T Ghos	t Cadet	Elaine Marie Alphin	Chapter Book
T	Ghost Soldier	Elaine Marie Alphin	Chapter Book
T *	Light in the Storm, A: The Civil War Diary of Amelia Martin, Fenwick Island, Delaware, 1861	Karen Hesse	Diary
T	Out From This Place	Joyce Hansen	Chapter Book
T *	Picture of Freedom, A: The Diary of Clotee, a Slave Girl, Belmont Plantation, Virginia, 1859	Patricia McKissack	Diary
T	Reconstruction	B. January	Chapter Book
T	San Domingo: The Medicine Hat Stallion	Marguerite Henry	Chapter Book
T	Steal Away... To Freedom	Jennifer Armstrong	Chapter Book
T	Trouble Don't Last	Shelley Pearsall	Chapter Book
T	Turn Homeward, Hannalee	Patricia Beatty	Chapter Book
T W	ell, The	Mildred D. Taylor	
T *	When Will This Cruel War be Over?	Barry Denenberg	Diary
T *	Which Way Freedom?	Joyce Hansen	Chapter Book
U *	How I Found the Strong: A Civil War Story	Margaret McMullan	Chapter Book
U *	Stealing Freedom	Elisa Carbone	Chapter Book
V	Black Storm Comin'	Diane Lee Wilson	Chapter Book
V	Captured!: A Boy Trapped in the Civil War	Mary Blair Immel	Chapter Book
V	House of Dies Drear, The	Virginia Hamilton	Chapter Book
V	Island Far From Home, An	John Donahue	Chapter Book
V	Jip	Katherine Patterson	Chapter Book

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V	Joseph: 1861 - A Rumble Of War	Bonnie Pryor	Chapter Book
V	Silent Witness, The: A True Story of the Civil War	Robin Friedman	Picture Book
V *	Soldier's Heart	Gary Paulsen	Chapter Book
W	Fields of Fury: The American Civil War	James M. McPherson	Picture Book
W	Guerrilla Season	Pat Hughes	Chapter Book
W *	Moon Over Tennessee: A Boy's Civil War Journal	Craig Crist-Evans	Journal
W*	Nightjohn (Please Note: Excerpt from this book is used in TCRWP Set 1. Level W assessment.)	Gary Paulsen	Chapter Book
W	People Could Fly, The	Virginia Hamilton	Anthology
W	Red Cap	G. Clifton Wisler	Chapter Book
W *	Sarny: A Life Remembered	Gary Paulsen	Chapter Book
W	Shades of Gray	Carolyn Reeder	Chapter Book
W	Stick and Whittle	Sid Hite	Chapter Book
W T	rue North	Kathryn Lasky	Chapter Book
X	All Their Names Were Courage	Sharon Phillips Denslow	Chapter Book
X	Evvys Civil War	Miriam Brenaman	Chapter Book
X Glor	y Field, The	Walter Dean Myers	Chapter Book
X	Hear the Wind Blow	Mary Downing Hahn	Chapter Book
X *	Letters from a Slave Boy	Mary E. Lyons	Chapter Book
X *	Letters from a Slave Girl	Mary E. Lyons	Chapter Book
X	War Within, The: A Novel of the Civil War	Carol Matas	Chapter Book
Y	Borning Room, The	Paul Fleischman	Chapter Book
Y *	Bull Run	Paul Fleischman	Chapter Book
Y	In My Father's House	Ann Rinaldi	Chapter Book
Y	Numbering the Bones	Ann Rinaldi	Chapter Book
Y	River Between Us, The	Richard Peck	Chapter Book
Y *	With Every Drop of Blood	J. L. Collier and C. Collier	Chapter Book
Z *	Across Five Aprils	Irene Hunt	Chapter Book
Z	Civil War Battles and Leaders (DK)	Aaron R. Murray	Chapter Book
Z *	Land, The	Mildred D. Taylor	Chapter Book
Z *	Little Women	Louisa May Alcott	Chapter Book

Recommended Titles without Levels

Henry's Freedom Box	Ellen Levine	Picture Book
Many Thousands Gone	Virginia Hamilton	Anthology
New Day Dawning	Joyce Hansen	Short Stories
Red Moon at Sharpsburg	Rosemary Wells	Chapter Book
Samuel's Horses	Alison Hart	Chapter Book
Silent Thunder	Andrea Davis Pinkney	Chapter Book

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Sound the Jubilee	Sandra Forrester	Chapter Book
Stealing South: A Story of the Underground Railroad	Katherine Ayres	Chapter Book
Under the Quilt of Night	Deborah Hopkinson and James E. Ransome	Poetry
Water Street	Patricia Reilly Giff	Chapter Book

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Westward Expansion and Prairie Life

Level	Title	Author	Book Type
J	Little Prairie House, A	Laura Ingalls Wilder	Picture Book
J	Going West	Laura Ingalls Wilder	Picture Book
J *	Raven	Gerald McDermott	Picture Book
J	Winter Days in the Big Woods	Laura Ingalls Wilder	Picture Book
K *	Going North	Janice Harrington	Picture Book
L	Clouds of Terror	Catherine Welch	Picture Book
L	Schoolchildren's Blizzard, The	Marty Figley	Picture Book
L	Watch the Stars Come Out	Riki Levinson	Picture Book
M	Apples to Oregon	Deborah Hopkinson	Picture Book
M *	Death of the Iron Horse	Paul Goble	Picture Book
M *	Pioneer Sisters	Laura Ingalls Wilder	Chapter Book
M *	Pioneer Summer	Deborah Hopkinson	Chapter Book
M *	Prairie School	Avi	Chapter Book
M	School Days	Melissa Peterson	Chapter Book
N	Boom Town	Sonia Levitin	Picture Book
N	California or Bust!	Judith Bauer Stamper	Picture Book
N	Dandelions	Eve Bunting	Picture Book
N	Gold Fever!	Step into Reading	
N	If You're Not From The Prairie...	David Bouchard	Picture Book
N	Next Spring an Oriole	Gloria Whelan	
N	Nine For California	Sonia Levitin	Picture Book
N	Pioneer Cat	William Hooks	Chapter Book
N	Shadow of The Wolf, The	Gloria Whelan	
O	Courage of Sarah Noble, The	Alice Dalgliesh	Chapter Book
O	Going West	Van Leeuwen	Chapter Book
O *	Her Seven Brothers	Paul Goble	
O	Perfect Place, A	Patricia Hermes	Chapter Book
O	Secret Valley	Clyde Robert Bulla	Chapter Book
O	Westward to Home, Joshua's Oregon Trail	Patricia Hermes	Chapter Book
O	White Stallion, The	Elizabeth Shub	Chapter Book
P	As Far as I Can See: Meg's Prairie Diary, Book 1	Kate McMullen	Diary Chapter Book
P *	Ghost Dance, The	Alice McLerran	Picture Book
P *	Indian School, The	Gloria Whelan	Chapter Book
P *	Riding Freedom	Pam Munoz Ryan	Chapter Book
P	Roughing it on the Oregon Trail	Stanley	Picture Book
Q	Black-Eyed Susan	Jennifer Armstrong	Chapter Book

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Q	Kirsten Learns a Lesson	Janet Shaw	Chapter Book
Q *	Little House on the Prairie	Wilder	Chapter Book
Q	Little Town at the Crossroads	Maria D. Wilkes & C. Wilkins	Chapter Book
Q	Meet Kirsten	Janet Shaw	Chapter Book
Q	Prairie Songs	Pam Conrad	Chapter Book
Q	Train to Somewhere	Eve Bunting	Picture Book
R *	Cabin Faced West, The	Jean Fritz	Chapter Book
R	Caddie Woodlawn	Carol Ryrie Brink	Chapter Book
R *	Caleb's Story	MacLachlan	Chapter Book
R	Caddie Woodlawn	Carol Ryrie Brink	Chapter Book
R	More Perfect Than the Moon	MacLachlan	Chapter Book
R	Mr. Mysterious and Company	Sid Fleischman	Chapter Book
R *	Our Only May Amelia	Jennifer Holm	Chapter Book
R *	Sarah Plain and Tall	MacLachlan	Chapter Book
R *	Skylark	MacLachlan	Chapter Book
S *	Bad River Boys	V. Driving Hawk Sneve	
S	Buffalo Nickel, The	Taylor Morrison	Picture Book
S *	Children of the Lighthouse	Joseph Bruchac	Chapter Book
T	Across the Wide and Lonesome Prairie	Kristiana Gregory	Chapter Book
T	Ballad of Lucy Whipple, The	Karen Cushman	Chapter Book
T *	Birchbark House, The (Series)	Louise Erdrich	Chapter Book
T *	Dear Levi	Elvira Woodruff	Diary/Letters
T	Jimmy Spoon and the Pony Express	Kristiana Gregory	Chapter Book
T	Mr. Daniel	Pam Conrad	Chapter Book
T *	Mr. Tucket	Gary Paulsen	Chapter Book
T	Prairie River Series	Kristiana Gregory	Chapter Book
T *	Sign of the Beaver	Speare	Chapter Book
U	Apprenticeship of Luca Whitaker, The	Cynthia C. DeFelice	Chapter Book
U *	Jericho's Journey	Wisler	Chapter Book
U *	Thunder Rolling on the Mountain	Scott O'Dell	Chapter Book
W *	Moccasin Trail	Eloise McGraw	Chapter Book
W *	Sweetgrass Basket	Marlene Carvell	Chapter Book
Y	Geronimo: A Novel	Joseph Bruchac	Chapter Book
Z	Pioneer Girl: Growing up on the Prairie	Andrea Warren	Chapter Book

**Recommended Titles without Levels and
Some Nonfiction Titles to Build Background Knowledge**

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Beyond the Ridge	Paul Goble	Picture Book
Brave Eagle's Account of the Fetterman Fight	Paul Goble	Picture Book
Cheyenne Again	Eve Bunting	Picture Book
Cowboys: The Old Trail Days	Jackdaws	Primary Documents - NF
Crossing Bok Chitto	Tim Tingle	Picture Book
Facing West: A Story of the Oregon Trail	Kudlinski Nonfiction	tion
Grasshopper Summer	Ann Turner	Chapter Book
Growing Up on the Frontier	Appleseeds	
Jake's Orphan	M. Brooke	Chapter Book
Legend of the Lady's Slipper, The	Kathy-Jo Wargin	Picture Book
Lewis 1806	Jackdaws	Primary Documents - NF
Lewis and Clark	Kids Discover Magazine	
Lewis and Clark Expedition	Jackdaws	Primary Documents - NF
Mississippi River	Kids Discover Magazine	
Night of the Full Moon	Gloria Whelan	Chapter Book
On the Trail With Lewis and Clark	Appleseeds	
Orphan Train	Verla Kay	Picture Book
Pioneers	Kids Discover Magazine	
Rachel's Journey	M. Moss	
Remember My Name	Sara Banks	Chapter Book
Soft Rain	Cornelia Cornelisson	Chapter Book

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World War II

Level	Title	Author	Book Type
L *	Coming On Home Soon	Jacqueline Woodson	Chapter Book
L*	Yellow Star, The: The Legend of King Christian X of Denmark	Carmen Agra Deedy	Picture Book
M	Boxes for Katje	Candace Fleming	Picture Book
M *	Players in Pig Tails	Shana Corey	Chapter Book
M	One Candle	Eve Bunting	Picture Book
N	Lily Cupboard, The	Shulamith Oppenheim	Picture Book
O *	Baseball Saved Us	Ken Mochizuki	Picture Book
O*	Faithful Elephants	Yukio Tsuchiya	Chapter Book
O	Mieko and the Fifth Treasure	Eleanor Coerr	Chapter Book
O *	New Coat For Anna, A	Harriet Ziefert	Picture Book
O	Night Crossing, The	Karen Ackerman	Chapter Book
O *	Victory Garden, The	Lee Kochenderfer	Chapter Book
P *	Cats in Krasinski Square, The	Karen Hesse	Picture Book
P *	Greatest Skating Race, The	Louise Borden	Picture Book
Q	Meet Molly: American Girls Series	Valerie Tripp	Chapter Book
R *	Bracelet, The	Yoshiko Uchida	Picture Book
R *	Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes	Eleanor Coerr	Chapter Book
R	Shadows on the Sea	Joan Hiatt Harlow	Chapter Book
R *	Snow Treasure	Marie McSwigan	Chapter Book
S	Don't You Know There is a War On?	Avi	Chapter Book
S	Early Sunday Morning: The Pearl Harbor Diary of Amber Billow, Hawaii, 1941	Barry Deneberg	Diary
S	Hilde And Eli, Children Of The Holocaust	David Adler	Chapter Book
S *	Hiroshima	L. Yep	Chapter Book
S	Little Ships, The	Louise Borden	Picture Book
S *	Quilt, The	Gary Paulsen	Chapter Book
S *	Lily's Crossing	Patricia Giff	Chapter Book
S *	Yours, Anne	Scholastic	Chapter Book
T	Bombed House, The	Jonny Zucker	Chapter Book
T	Art of Keeping Cool, The	Janet Taylor Lisle	Chapter Book
T	Boy No More, A	Harry Mazer	Chapter Book
T	Escape from Warsaw	Ian Serrailier	Chapter Book
T	Four Perfect Pebbles: A Holocaust Story	Lila Perl	Chapter Book
T *	Journey of Scott Pendleton Collins,	Walter Dean Myers	Chapter Book

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	The		
U	Innocent Soldier, An	Josef Holub	Chapter Book
U *	Number the Stars	Lois Lowry	Chapter Book
U	Passage to Freedom: The Sugihara Story	Ken Mochizuki	Picture Book
V *	Autumn Street	Lois Lowry	Chapter Book
V	By the Great Horn Spoon	Sid Fleischman	Chapter Book
V	Behind the Bedroom Wall	Laura E. Williams	Chapter Book
V	Heroes Don't Run: A Novel of the Pacific War	Harry Mazer	Chapter Book
V	I Have Lived a Thousand Years	Livia Bitton-Jackson	Chapter Book
V *	Kensuke's Kingdom	Michael Morpugo	Chapter Book
V	Pocket Full of Seeds, A	Marilyn Sachs	Chapter Book
V	When My Name Was Keoko	Linda Sue Park	Chapter Book
W	Daniel's Story	Carol Matas	Chapter Book
W	I am Fifteen – And I Don't Want To Die	Christine Arnothy	Chapter Book
W	Moon Bridge, The	Marcia Savin	Chapter Book
W	Surviving Hitler: A Boy in the Nazi Death Camps	Andrea Warren	Chapter Book
W	Torn Thread	Anne Isaacs	Chapter Book
X *	Dawn of Fear	Susan Cooper	Chapter Book
X *	Devil's Arithmetic, The	Jane Yolen	Chapter Book
X	Memories of Anne Frank	Alison Leslie Gold	Chapter Book
X	Stones in War	Donna Jo Napoli	Chapter Book
Y *	Aleutian Sparrow	Karen Hesse	Chapter Book
Y *	Diary of Anne Frank, The	Anne Frank	Diary
Y	Hana's Suitcase: A True Story	Karen Levine	Chapter Book
Y	Jacob's Rescue: A Holocaust Story	Malka Drucker	Chapter Book
Y *	Milkweed	Jerry Spinelli	Chapter Book
Y	Parallel Journeys	Eleanor H. Ayer	Chapter Book
Y	Place to Hide, A	Jayne Pettit	Short Stories
Y	Yellow Star	Jennifer Rozines Roy	Chapter Book
Z *	Bat 6	Virginia Euwer Wolff	Chapter Book
Z	Cage, The	Ruth Minsky Sender	Chapter Book
Z Fr	iedrich	Hans Peter Richter	Chapter Book
Z *	Night	Elie Wiesel	Chapter Book
Z *	Summer of My German Soldier	Bette Greene	Chapter Book

Recommended Titles without Levels

All But My Life	Gerda Weissmann Klein	Chapter Book
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Butterfly, The	Patricia Polacco	Picture Book
Rose Blanche	Roberto Innocenti	Picture Book
Sadako	Eleanor Coerr	Picture Book
Upstairs Room, The	Johanna Reiss	Chapter Book
Willy and Max	Amy Littlesugar	Picture Book

Pre-Columbian through the American Revolutionary War (Including Colonial Period)

Level	Title	Author	Book Type
L	Boston Coffee Party, The	Doreen Rappaport	Chapter Book
M	Nathan Hale: Patriot Spy	S. Zemlicka & S. Knudsen	Chapter Book
M *	Revolutionary War on Wednesday	Mary Pope Osborne	Chapter Book
N	18 Penny Goose, The	Sally Walker	Chapter Book
N	Encounter	Jane Yolen	Picture Book
N	Sam the Minuteman	Nathaniel Benchley	Picture Book
N	Samuel Eaton's Day	Kate Waters	Picture Book
N	Sybil Ludington's Midnight Ride	Marsha Amstel	Picture Book
N	Tapenum's Day	Kate Waters	Picture Book
O	Buttons for General Washington	Peter Roop	Chapter Book
O *	Molly Pitcher: Young Patriot	Augusta Stevenson	Chapter Book
P	Bookman, The	Howard Fast	Chapter Book
P	Hannah of Fairfield	Jean Van Leeuwen	Chapter Book
P	Hannah's Helping Hands	Jean Van Leeuwen	Chapter Book
P	John, Paul, George and Ben	Lane Smith	Picture Book
P	Lion to Guard Us, A	Clyde Bulla	Chapter Book
P	Matchlock Gun, The	Walter Edmonds	Chapter Book
P	Redcoats and Petticoats	Katherine Kirkpatrick	Chapter Book
P	Sleds on Boston Common: A Story from the American Revolution	Louise Borden	Picture Book
Q	Changes For Felicity: A Winter Story	Valerie Tripp	Chapter Book
Q	Felicity Saves the Day	Valerie Tripp	Chapter Book
Q	Meet Felicity: American Girls Series	Valerie Tripp	Chapter Book
Q *	Megan's Masquerade	Sheri Cooper Sinykin	Chapter Book
R	Can't You Make Them Behave, King George?	Jean Fritz	Chapter Book
R *	Crispus Attucks: Black Leader of Colonial Patriots	Dharathula H. Millender	Chapter Book
R *	Phoebe the Spy	Judith Barry Griffin	Chapter Book
R *	Secret Soldier, The: The Story of Deborah Sampson	Ann McGovern	Chapter Book
S	Calico Captive	Elizabeth George Speare	Chapter Book

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S *	Morning Girl	Michael Dorris	Chapter Book
S	N.C. Wyeth's Pilgrims	Robert San Souci	Picture Book
S *	Samuel's Choice	Richard Berleth	Chapter Book
S	Victory or Death	Doreen Rappaport	Short Stories
S	When Washington Crossed the Delaware	Lynne Cheney	Chapter Book
S	Winter of Red Snow, The	Kristiana Gregory	Diary
T	George Washington's Socks	Elvira Woodruff	Chapter Book
T *	Guests	Michael Dorris	Chapter Book
T	Indian Captive	Lois Lenski	Chapter Book
T *	Rifle, The	Gary Paulsen	Chapter Book
T	Second Daughter	Milder Pitts Walter	Chapter Book
T	Toliver's Secret	Ester Wood Brady	Chapter Book
U *	Night Journeys	Avi	Chapter Book
U	Scarlet Stockings Spy, The	Trinka Hakes Noble	Chapter Book
U	Sign of the Beaver	Elizabeth George Speare	Chapter Book
U	War Comes to Willy Freeman	Christopher Collier	Chapter Book
V *	Fighting Ground, The	Avi	Chapter Book
V	Give Me Liberty	Laura Malone Elliott	Chapter Book
V *	Keeping Room, The	Ann Myers	Chapter Book
V	Love Thy Neighbor	Ann Turner	Diary
W	Guns for General Washington	Seymour Reit	Chapter Book
W	Who is Carrie?	James and Christopher Collier	Chapter Book
W*	Witch of Blackbird Pond, The	Elizabeth George Speare	Chapter Book
X	Echohawk	Lynda Durrant	Chapter Book
X	Sarah Bishop	Scott O' Dell	Chapter Book
X	Winter Hero, The	James Lincoln Collier	Chapter Book
Y	My Brother Sam is Dead	J.L Collier and C.Collier	Chapter Book
Z	Johnny Tremain	Esther Forbes	Chapter Book

Recommended Titles without Levels & Nonfiction Titles to Build Background Knowledge

1776	Kids Discover Magazine	
American Revolution	Kids Discover Magazine	
American Revolution	Eyewitness Books	
Boston Tea Party Focus	Jackdaws	Primary Document – NF
Boston Tea Party to the American Revolution	Jackdaws	Primary Document – NF
Charlotte	Janet Lunn	Picture Book
Colonial America	Kids Discover Magazine	
Colonial Immigration	Jackdaws	Primary Document - NF
Growing Up in the American Revolution	Appleseeds	
Hand in Hand: An American History	Collected by Lee Bennett	Poetry

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Through Poetry	Hopkins	
Jamestown Apples	eedseeds	
Kate's Trunk	Ann Turner	Picture Book
New York State History	Jackdaws	Primary Document - NF
Paul Revere	Appleseeds	
Paul Revere and the Bell Ringers	Johan Winter	Picture Book
Pilgrims' Cat	Peacock	
Revolutionary Women	Kids Discover Magazine	
Story of the Declaration of Independence	Jackdaws	Primary Document - NF

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The Great Depression

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L	Christmas After All	Kathryn Lasky	Diary
L	Christmas Promise, The	Susan Campbell Bartoletti	Chapter Book
L	Don't Forget Winona	Jeanne Whitehouse Peterson	Picture Book
L *	Mimmy and Sophie All Around the Town	Miriam Cohen	Chapter Book
M	Blizzard of the Blue Moon	Mary Pope Osborne	Chapter Book
M	Dust Bowl, The	David Booth	Picture Book
M	Dust for Dinner	Ann Warren Turner	Chapter Book
M	Horse Named Seabiscuit, A	Cathy East Dubowski	Chapter Book
N *	Babe and I, The	David Adler	Picture Book
N	Gingerbread Doll, The	Susan Tews	Picture Book
N	Letting Swift River Go	Jane Yolen	Picture Book
N	Pop's Bridge	Eve Bunting	Picture Book
N	Rag Coat, The	Lauren Mills	Picture Book
N	This Land is Your Land	K. Jakobsen	Folk Song Picture Book
O	Goldie's Fortune	Joan Holub	Chapter Book
O	Kit Learns a Lesson: A School Story	Valerie Tripp	Chapter Book
O	Leah's Pony	Elizabeth Friedrich	Chapter Book
P	House in the Mail, The	Tom Wells	Picture Book
P	Tree of Hope	Amy Littlesugar	Chapter Book
P *	Uncle Jed's Barbershop	Margaree King	Chapter Book
R	Letter to Mrs. Roosevelt, A	C. Coco de Young	Chapter Book
S	Amazing Thinking Machine, The	Dennis Haseley	Chapter Book
S	Butterflies and Lizards, Beryl and Me	Ruth Lercher Bornstein	Chapter Book
S *	Friendship, The	Mildred Taylor	Chapter Book
S *	Mississippi Bridge	Mildred Taylor	Chapter Book
S *	Song of the Trees	Mildred Taylor	Chapter Book
S *	Tales from the Homeplace	Shelley Dale	Chapter Book
T *	Bud, Not Buddy	Christopher Curtis	Chapter Book
T	Down Cut Shin Creek	Kathi Appelt	Chapter Book
T	Journal of C.J. Jackson, The	William Durbin	Journal
T	Mirror, Mirror on the Wall	Barry Denenberg	Diary
T	Saving Grace	Priscilla Cummings	Chapter Book
T	Truth about Sparrows, The	Marian Hale	Chapter Book

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U	Chig and the Second Spread	Gwenyth Swain	Chapter Book
U	Treasures in the Dust	Tracey Porter	Chapter Book
V *	Esperanza Rising	Pam Munoz Ryan	Chapter Book
V *	Long Way From Chicago, A	Richard Peck	Chapter Book
V *	Year Down Yonder, A	Richard Peck	Chapter Book
W *	Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry	Mildred D. Taylor	Chapter Book
X	Bread Winner, The	Arvella Whitmore	Chapter Book
X *	Let the Circle Be Unbroken	Mildred Taylor	Chapter Book
X *	Out of the Dust	Karen Hesse	Chapter Book
X	Survival of the Storm	Katelan Janke	Diary
Z	No Promises in the Wind	Irene Hunt	Chapter Book

**Recommended Titles without Levels and
Some Nonfiction Titles to Build Background Knowledge**

Children of the Dust Bowl: The True Story of the School at Weedpatch Camp	Jerry Stanley	Chapter Book – Level Y
Depression, The	Jackdaws	Nonfiction Book
Great Depression in America	Jackdaws	Nonfiction Book
Great Depression, The	Kids Discover Magazine	Nonfiction Book
Hard Times for Jake Smith	A. Henderson	Chapter Book
New Deal, The	Jackdaws	Nonfiction Book

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The Civil Rights Movement

Level	Title	Author	Type of Book
M	Freedom Summer	Deborah Wiles	Picture Book
M *	Goin' Someplace Special	Patricia McKissack	Picture Book
M *	Other Side, The	Jacqueline Woodson	Picture Book
N *	Freedom on the Menu: The Greensboro Sit-Ins	Carole Boston Weatherford	Picture Book
O *	Granddaddy's Gift	Margaree Mitchell	Picture Book
O *	Freedom School, Yes!	Amy Littlesugar	Picture Book
P	Tree of Hope	Amy Littlesugar	Picture Book
R *	Bat Boy and His Violin, The	Gavin Curtis	Picture Book
U *	Watson's Go to Birmingham, The	Christopher Paul Curtis	Chapter Book

Recommended Titles without Levels

Walking to the Bus Rider Blues	Harriette Gillem Robine	Picture Book
Birmingham 1963	Carol Weatherford	Picture Book
Fire from the Rock	Sharon Draper	Chapter Book
Riding to Washington	Gwenyth Swain	Picture Book
Starplace	V. Grove	Picture Book
Sweet Smell of Roses, A	Angela Johnson	picture book
This is the Dream	Shore and Alexander	Picture Book
Thousand Never Evers, A	Shana Burg	Chapter Book
White Socks Only	Evelyn Coleman	Picture Book

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Immigration

Level	Title	Author	Type of Book
L	Long Way To A New Land	Joan Sandin	Chapter Book
L	Long Way to a New Land, The	Joan Sandin	Chapter Book
L	Long Way Westward, The	Joan Sandin	Chapter Book
L	Watch the Stars Come Out	R. Levinson	Picture Book
M	Copper Lady, The	Alice Ross	Picture Book
M	Milly and the Macy's Parade	Shana Corey	Picture Book
M	Milly and the Macy's Parade	S. Corey	Picture Book
M	Whispering Cloth, The	Pegi Deitz Shea	Picture Book
N	Dreaming of America	Eve Bunting	Picture Book
N	Lily and Miss Liberty	Carla Stevens	Chapter Book
N	Painted Words/Spoken Pictures	Aliki	Picture Book
O	Memory Coat, The	Elvira Woodruff	Picture Book
P	Abby Takes a Stand	P. McKissack	Chapter Book
P	Home at Last	K. Lansky	Diary
P	Hope in My Heart	K. Lansky	Diary
P	Lotus Seed, The	Sherry Garland	Picture Book
R	Dreams in the Golden Country	K. Lansky	Diary
S	Braid, The	Helen Frost	Chapter Book
S	Hear My Sorrow	D. Hopkinson	Diary
S	Letters From Rifka	K. Hesse	Chapter Book
S	Orphan of Ellis Island, The	Elvira Woodruff	Chapter Book
S *	Star Fisher, The	L. Yep	Chapter Book
S	When Jessie Came Across the Sea	Amy Hest	Picture Book & Chapter Book
T	Rodzina	Karen Cushman	Chapter Book
T	Voyage on the Great Titanic	E.E. White	Diary
V	Ashes of Roses	Mary Jane Auch	Chapter Book
V	Escape From Home	Avi	Chapter Book
W	Traitor, The	L. Yep	Chapter Book
Y	House of Tailors, A	Patricia Reilly Giff	Chapter Book

Recommended Titles without Levels

America, My New Home	Monica Gunning	Poetry
Grandfather's Journey	Allen Say	Picture Book
Land of Hope	Joan Nixon	Chapter Book

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Streets of Gold	Rosemary Wells	Chapter Book
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