



(11 - 15) Suggested Age Range



Graphic Format

FICTION

Adventure and Mystery

The Cabinet of Curiosities: 36 Tales Brief & Sinister by Stefan Bachmann, Katherine Catmull, Claire Legrand, and Emma Trevayne, illustrated by Alexander Jansson (Greenwillow Books/HarperCollins, \$16.99) 978-0-06-233105-2

A cabinet of curiosities with eight drawers—each with a theme—contains mysterious, sinister short stories, curated by four authors. Black-and-white illustrations. (11-14)

Greenglass House

by Kate Milford, illustrated by Jaime Zollars (Clarion Books/HMH, \$17.99) 978-0-544-05270-3 Milo's parents are the proprietors of Greenglass House, an inn frequented by smugglers. Milo reluctantly teams up with Meddy to solve the mysteries that lie within its walls. Black-and-white illustrations (11-13)

*The Shadow Hero

by Gene Luen Yang, illustrated by Sonny Liew, lettering by Janice Chiang

(First Second/Roaring Brook Press/Macmillan, P \$17.99) 978-1-59643-697-8

In the mid-20th century, San Francisco's Chinatown is in the grip of a vicious tong. Can Hank, an unlikely super hero, defeat it? Dramatic detailed graphic art. (12-15)

Skink: No Surrender

by Carl Hiaasen (Alfred A. Knopf/Random House, \$18.99) 978-0-375-87051-4

A one-eyed wandering vigilante, presumed dead, joins forces with Richard to search for his missing cousin. (11-14)

Surrounded by Sharks

by Michael Northrop (Scholastic Press, \$17.99) 978-0-545-61545-7 On vacation with his family, Davey wakes up early and goes for a swim, ignoring a "No Swimming" sign, which has dangerous consequences. (11-14)

Threatened

by Eliot Schrefer (Scholastic Press, \$17.99) 978-0-545-55143-4 AIDS orphan Luc is living in debt slavery until he is hired to assist the mysterious Prof as he studies chimpanzees in the Gabon jungle. (11-15)

Uncaged

by John Sandford and Michele Cook (Alfred A. Knopf/Random House, \$18.99) 978-0-385-75306-7 Shay needs to find her brother. Odin, who

Shay needs to find her brother, Odin, who has escaped from "Singular," an organization that experiments on animals. (12-14)

Will Poole's Island

by Tim Weed (Namelos, \$18.95) 978-1-60898-173-1 Will rejects the restrictions of his fellow settlers of Connecticut Colony in 1643. He spends time in the wilderness where he meets an Indian to whom his fate is linked. (12-14)

The Winner's Curse

by Marie Rutkoski (Farrar Straus and Giroux BFYR/Macmillan, \$17.99) 978-0-374-38467-8

When Kestrel, an aristocratic Valorian, buys a handsome Herrani slave, she gets more than she bargained for: lies, espionage, deceit, and treachery. (12-15)

Best Children's Books of the Year

Twelve to Fourteen







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Coming of Age

Bird

by Crystal Chan
(Atheneum BFYR/ Simon & Schuster Children's
Publishing, \$16.99) 978-1-4424-5089-9
For her entire life, the tragic death of Jewel's brother
cast a shadow over her family, until the day a boy
named John came to town. (12-15)

Blind

by Rachel DeWoskin (Viking/Penguin, \$17.99) 978-0-670-78522-3 When fifteen-year-old Rachel is accidently blinded, she begins the long journey of healing and appreciating life again. (12-16)

*Cartwheeling in Thunderstorms

by Katherine Rundell (Simon & Schuster BFYR, \$16.99) 978-1-4424-9061-1 Twelve-year-old Will's glorious life on a farm in Zimbabwe ends abruptly when she is sent to an all-girls boarding school in England. (12-15)

Five, Six, Seven, Nate!

by Tim Federle

(Simon & Schuster BFYR, \$16.99) 978-1-4424-4693-9 Auditions behind him, middle-schooler Nate starts rehearsals as Alien #7 for the Broadway production of *E.T.*, enduring intimidating child stars and demanding directors. (11–14)

Flying with a Broken Wing

by Laura Best

(Nimbus Publishing, \$12.95) 978-1-77108-038-5 Living with her bootlegging aunt, visually impaired Cammie struggles for a new life. News of a school in Halifax and a new friend offer possible help. (11-14)

*Kinda Like Brothers

by Coe Booth (Scholastic Press, \$17.99) 978-0-545-22496-3 Jarrett's life is jarred when a new baby, and her older brother, show up as foster children to his mother. (11-14)

Maybe One Day

by Melissa Kantor

(HarperTeen/HarperCollins, \$17.99) 978-0-06-227920-0 When she is cut from her ballet program, Zoe thinks it is the worst thing that could happen. Then her best friend is diagnosed with cancer. (12-15)

*My Brother's Shadow

by Tom Avery (Schwartz & Wade/Random House, \$16.99) 978-0-385-38487-2

When a mysterious feral boy enters her life, elevenyear-old Kaia begins to come to terms with her beloved brother's devastating suicide. (11-13)

Noggin

by John Corey Whaley (Atheneum BFYR/Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing, \$17.99) 978-1-4424-5872-7 When sixteen-year-old Travis Coates wakes up after five years, his head has been attached to a new, disease-free body. His problems are just beginning. (12-15)

The Swap

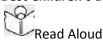
by Megan Shull (Katherine Tegen Books/HarperCollins, \$16.99) 978-0-06-231169-6

Popular jock Jack and social pariah Ellie swap bodies and learn more than they expected to about each other. (12-15)

Swim That Rock

by John Rocco and Jay Primiano (Candlewick Press, \$16.99) 978-0-7636-6905-8 Fourteen-year-old Jake will do just about anything to save the family diner after his father goes missing in a boat accident. Mysteries and relationships emerge. (11-15)









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Coming of Age, continued

There Will Be Bears

by Ryan Gebhart (Candlewick Press, \$16.99) 978-0-7636-6521-0 Thirteen-year-old Tyson, facing changing friendships and academic challenges, embarks on an elk hunting trip with his grandfather that alters his self-image. (12-14)

Why We Took the Car

by Wolfgang Herrndorf, translated from the German by Tim Mohr

(Arthur A. Levine/Scholastic, \$17.99) 978-0-545-48180-9 In 2010 Berlin, unassuming, unpopular Mike takes off with a trouble-making Russian classmate, Tschick, in a stolen car. Will their wild adventures change their lives? (11-14)

Fantasy

Atlantia

by Ally Condie (Dutton BFYR/Penguin, \$18.99) 978-0-525-42644-8 Rio lives below, in Atlantia, and yearns to join her sister above. Will she risk everything and reveal her siren voice in order to escape? (12-15)

The Castle behind Thorns

by Merrie Haskell (Katherine Tegen Books/HarperCollins, \$16.99) 978-0-06-200819-0 Sand and Perrotte, both fourteen-years-olds, can mend the sundered castle, but can Perotte forgive those who

A Creature of Moonlight

imprisoned them there? (11-14)

by Rebecca Hahn
(Houghton Mifflin Harcourt BFYR, \$17.99)
978-0-544-10935-3
Marni's mother died protecting her. Will she remain safe from the call of "the woods" or choose to reclaim her birthright as princess? (12-15)

Dorothy Must Die

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by Danielle Paige (Harper/HarperCollins, \$17.99) 978-0-06-28067-1 Dorothy has returned to Oz and, with help from her three famous pals, has become a horrible despot. Can another Kansas girl liberate the land? (12-16)

Egg & Spoon

by Gregory Maguire (Candlewick Press, \$17.99) 978-0-7636-7220-1 Two Russian girls—one poor and one rich—accidentally change places in an adventure involving the Tzar, Baba Yaga, the Firebird, and climate change. (12-15)

The Finisher

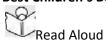
by David Baldacci (Scholastic Press, \$17.99) 978-0-545-65220-9 When a resident of Wormwood bolts for the dangers of the surrounding Quag, teenager Vega Jane questions the protected nature of her village. (11-15)

*The Graveyard Book, Volumes 1 and 2

based on the novel by Neil Gaiman, adapted by P. Craig Russell, illustrated by David Lafuente, Scott Hampton, P. Craig Russell, Kevin Nowlan, and Galen Showman, color by Lovern Kindzierski, lettering by Rick Parker (Harper/HarperCollins, \$19.99 each) 978-0-06-219481-7; 978-0-06-219483-1 After his family is murdered, a baby crawls into a graveyard where he is raised by ghosts and a vampire who keep him safe. Atmospherically colored illustrations. (11-14)

Hook's Revenge

by Heidi Schulz, illustrated by John Hendrix (Hyperion/Disney Books, \$16.99) 978-1-4231-9867-3 Captain of her own pirate ship, the teenage daughter of Captain Hook returns to Neverland to avenge her father's death and confront the fearsome crocodile. Black-and-white spot art. (12-14)





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Fantasy, continued

The Iron Trial (Magisterium series)

by Holly Black and Cassandra Clare, illustrated by Scott Fischer

(Scholastic Press, \$17.99) 978-0-545-52225-0 Call unintentionally passes magic tests that place him in the dark, mysterious Magisterium to train for the first of many trials. Black-and-white drawings. (11-14)

The Last Wild

by Piers Torday, illustrated by Thomas Flintham (Viking/Penguin, \$16.99) 978-0-670-01554-2
A silent twelve-year-old boy who can only communicate with animals is charged with saving the remaining animals in a devastated earth. Black-and-white chapter drawings. (11-14)

The Mark of the Dragonfly

by Jaleigh Johnson

(Delacorte/Random House, \$16.99) 978-0-385-37615-0 When orphaned Piper, thirteen, saves Anna during a meteor shower that plagues the land but fuels her town's economy, they must flee in order to survive. (11-14)

Pennyroyal Academy

by M. A. Larson (G.P. Putnam's Sons/Penguin , \$16.99) 978-0-399-16324-1

Evie joins a group of hopeful princesses who are being trained to combat evil witches. Friendships, dragons, magic, and betrayal abound in this complex adventure. (11-14)

Plus One

by Elizabeth Fama
(Farrar Straus and Giroux BFYR/Macmillan, \$17.99)
978-0-374-36007-8
Forbidden to venture out in the daylight, Sol risks
everything to help her dying grandfather. She doesn't
expect to fall in love with an unlikely ally. (12-15)

Reboot

by Amy Tintera

(HarperTeen/HarperCollins, \$17.99) 978-0-06-221707-3 In this futuristic tale, Reboots (humans who died of disease but return stronger, faster, and less emotional) are used by HARC to maintain "the peace." (12-15)

The Riverman

by Aaron Starmer (Farrar Straus Giroux BFYR/Macmillan, \$15.99) 978-0-374-36309-3

In upstate New York, Fiona discovers a portal to a magical world and enlists classmate Alistair to help her explore it and rescue missing children. (12-15)

*Sparkers

by Eleanor Glewwe

(Viking/Penguin, \$16.99) 978-0-451-46876-5 When fourteen-year-old Marah uncovers a government plot to eliminate a rival class by spreading disease, she races to find a cure. (11-15)

The Story of Owen: Dragon Slayer of Trondheim

by E. K. Johnston

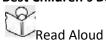
(Carolrhoda LAB/Lerner, \$17.95) 978-1-4677-1066-4 Every dragon slayer needs a bard, and Siobhan expertly assumes the role for Owen, extolling his exploits as he grows from apprentice to master. (11-14)

Through the Woods

by Emily Carroll

(Margaret K. McElderry Books/Simon & Schuster BFYR, P \$14.99) 978-1-4424-6596-1

Terrifying stories offer illustrations to engross and themes to ponder. Illustrations are ink and graphite on board, digitally (and harrowingly) colored. (11-15)





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Historical Fiction

Arcady's Goal

written and illustrated by Eugene Yelchin (Henry Holt BFYR/Macmillan, \$15.99) 978-0-8050-9844-0

Arcady, twelve, is sent to a Russian orphanage when his parents are imprisoned as enemies of the state. Will his soccer talent save him? Expressive black-and-white illustrations. (11-14)

*Caminar

by Skila Brown (Candlewick Press, \$15.99) 978-0-7636-6516-6 In this novel in verse, set in Guatemala, young Carlos escapes when an army attacks his village and he quickly grows into a "man." (10-14)

Crazy

by Linda Vigen Phillips (Eerdmans BFYR, P \$9.00) 978-0-8028-5437-7 In 1963 a fifteen-year-old finds solace in art while coping with her mother's mental illnesses, and the fear that she will suffer the same fate. (12-15)

Danny Blackgoat: Rugged Road to Freedom

by Tim Tingle

(7th Generation/Orca, P \$9.95) 978-1-939053-05-3 Seventee-year-old Danny is taken prisoner during the Civil War. He escapes, but faces many dangerous obstacles trying to rescue his family from Fort Sumner. (12-15)

Gaijin: American Prisoner of War

written and illustrated by Matt Faulkner (Hyperion/Disney Books, \$19.99) 978-142313735-1 Cinematic illustrations reveal a half-Japanese boy's struggles with discrimination in an internment camp following the bombing of Pearl Harbor. Notes and sources. (11-14)

A Less Than Perfect Peace

by Jacqueline Levering Sullivan (Eerdmans BFYR, P \$8.50) 978-0-8028-5431-5 It's 1950, and fourteen-year-old Annie Howard just wants to help her depressed, disabled father as well as her new friends, Dutch refugees. (12-14)

*The Madman of Piney Woods

by Christopher Paul Curtis (Scholastic Press, \$16.99) 978-0-545-15664-6 In 1901 Benji, an African Canadian, and Red, an Irish Canadian, both thirteen, meet and uncover the identity of the madman of Piney Woods. (11-14)

A Medal for Leroy

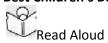
by Michael Morpurgo (Feiwel and Friends/Macmillan, \$16.99) 978-1-250-03980-4 When Michael reads the letter he finds taped to the back of his father's photograph, everything he knows about who he is changes. (11-14)

Mending Horses

by M. P. Barker (Holiday House, \$17.95) 978-0-8234-2948-6 In 1839, freed from indentured servitude only to be falsely accused of theft and murder, sixteen-year-old Danny is almost lynched by a small town Connecticut mob. (12-14)

Nine Open Arms

by Benny Lindelauf, translated from the Dutch by John Nieuwenhuizen, illustrated by Dasha Tolstikova (Enchanted Lion Books, \$16.95) 978-1-59270-146-9 Life in an abandoned house at the edge of the world is equal parts puzzle, tragic romance, family history, and coming of age. Translator's note, glossary, character list, map, spot art for section openers. (11-14)





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Historical Fiction, continued

The Paper Cowboy

by Kristin Levine (Putnam Juvenile/Penguin,) 978-0-399-16328-9 In 1953 twelve-year-old Tommy struggles with an unstable, abusive mother and suspicions that someone he knows is a communist. Can he do anything about either problem? (11-14)

Rory's Promise

by Michaela MacColl and Rosemary Nichols (Calkins Creek/Highlights, \$16.95) 978-1-62091-653-0 Rory promised her little sister, Violet, that they would never be parted. When Violet is placed on a train headed west for adoption, can Rory keep her promise? (11-13)

Silver People: Voices from the Panama Canal

by Margarita Engle (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt BFYR, \$17.99) 978-0-544-10941-4

Three workers on the Panama Canal tell of racism and horrific working conditions while animals and trees vocalize about their environment. Free verse. (11-15)



*Stars of the Savanna

by Melanie R. Martel (WPR: Latino Insights, \$16) 978-1-889379-52-4 During a drought, Kiko, a handicapped Quechua, is put out by his impoverished family. His travels with a Spanish girl reveal the Peru of the late 17th century. (12-14) Mature Content

*The True Adventures of Nicolo Zen

by Nicholas Christopher (Alfred A. Knopf/Random House, \$17.99) 978-0-375-86738-5

Nicolo Zen, survivor of a malaria epidemic in eighteenth century Venice, relies on his talent with an enchanted clarinet to make his way in the world. (12-15)

*West of the Moon

by Margi Preus

(Amulet Books/Abrams, \$16.95) 978-1-4197-0896-1 Sold to an abusive old goatherd, Astri, thirteen, takes drastic actions to save herself, rescue her little sister, and escape to America. Silhouette illustrations. Photos, glossary, back matter, bibliography. (11-14)

The Winter Horses

by Philip Kerr (Alfred A. Knopf/Random House, \$16.99) 978-0-385-75543-6

As Kalinka, orphaned by the Nazis, tries to escape German troops advancing across the Ukraine, she gets help in unexpected ways. (12-14)

Science Fiction

Dangerous

by Shannon Hale (Bloomsbury Children's Books, \$17.99) 978-1-59990-168-8

When Maisie Danger Brown wins a spot at a summer camp for astronauts, her life is turned upside down by aliens, romance, and saving the world. (12-15)

*The Here and Now

by Ann Brashares (Delacorte Press/Random House, \$18.99) 978-0-385-73680-0 Penna, seventeen, has traveled back from a different time. She falls in love but must deal with the

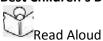
heartbreaking rules of her secret community. (12-15)

The Inventor's Secret

by Andrea Cremer

(Philomel Books/Penguin, \$18.99) 978-0-399-15962-6 When the British win the Revolutionary War, sixteenyear-old Charlotte and her brother use magic and inventive machinery as they lead a rebel group to freedom. (12-15)







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Science Fiction, continued

On a Clear Day

by Walter Dean Myers (Crown BFYR/Random House, \$17.99) 978-0-385-38753-8

In a dystopian society, sixteen-year-old Dahlia joins a group in which members contribute to the fight against powerful organizations that control the world's resources. (12-15)

Silver

by Chris Wooding (Scholastic Press, \$17.99) 978-0-545-60392-8 Mortingham Boarding Academy is difficult enough for Paul and his classmates, but when strange, aggressive silver creatures begin to take over, survival becomes the final exam. (12-15)

Today

The Art of Secrets

by James Klise (Algonquin Young Readers/Workman, \$17.95) 978-1-61620-195-1

When arson destroys the apartment of high school sophomore Saba Khan, an auction to aid her family launches a mystery involving loyalty, prejudice, and betrayal. (11-14)

The Categorical Universe of Candice Phee

by Barry Jonsberg (Chronicle Books, \$16.99) 978-1-4521-3351-5 Twelve-year-old Candice, who refuses to be labeled as autistic, takes extreme measures to keep her family from falling apart. (12-14)

Jasmine and Maddie

by Christine Pakkala (Boyds Mills Press/Highlights, \$16.95) 978-1-62091-739-8 Jasmine has lost her father and her home. Maddie seems to have everything. Despite the tension between them, can they become friends? (11-13)

Like No Other

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by Una LaMarche (Razorbill/Penguin, \$17.99) 978-1-59514-674-8 A sixteen-year-old Hasidic girl examines her life in her Orthodox family and community after meeting and becoming romantically involved with a West Indian neighbor. (11–14)

Moon at Nine

by Deborah Ellis (Pajama Press, \$19.95) 978-1-927485-57-6 In Tehran, teenage girls Farrin and Sadina become best friends, then fall in love. If they are caught disaster will surely follow. (12-15)

Searching for Sky

by Jillian Cantor (Bloomsbury Children's Books, \$17.99) 978-1-61963-351-3

Two teenagers who survive fourteen years on a small isolated Pacific island are rescued and then must cope with "civilized" California. (12-14)

*Two Girls Staring at the Ceiling

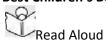
by Lucy Frank (Schwartz & Wade Books/Random House, \$16.99) 978-0-307-97974-2

Chess and Shannon are two very different girls who bond while hospitalized with Crohn's disease. Written in verse. (12-15)

What Flowers Remember

by Shannon Wiersbitzky (Namelos, \$18.95) 978-1-60898-166-3
Delia loves gardening with Old Red Clancy. When he begins to lose his memory, can she help him by writing down his stories? (11-13)







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POETRY

*Caminar

by Skila Brown

(Candlewick Press, \$15.99) 978-0-7636-6516-6 In this novel in verse, set in Guatemala, young Carlos escapes when an army attacks his village and he quickly grows into a "man." (10-14)



*How I Discovered Poetry

by Marilyn Nelson, illustrated by Hadley Hooper (Dial BFYR/Penguin, \$17.99) 978-0-8037-3304-6 In fifty sonnets the author recalls the events in her 1950s childhood that led her to discover her love for poetry. Sketches and family photographs. (12-15)

Lasso the Wind: Aurélia's Verses and Other Poems by George Elliott Clarke, illustrated by Susan Tooke

(Nimbus Publishing, \$24.95) 978-1-77108-050-7 Bold mixed-media illustrations complement the rich language of poems on subjects as diverse as picnicking dragons and the rigors of poverty. (11-14)

Voices from the March on Washington

by J. Patrick Lewis and George Ella Lyon (Wordsong/Highlights, \$15.95) 978-1-62091-785-5 Six fictional marchers, white and black, voice their feelings, worries, and hopes in cycles of verse. Intense, dramatic, inspirational, and perfect for readers' theater. (11-15)

INFORMATION BOOKS

Biography and Memoir

Colonel Theodore Roosevelt

by David A. Adler (Holiday House, \$18.95) 978-0-8234-2950-9 The many facets of the man who was president, conservationist, Rough Rider, and more are described with archival photographs and cartoons. Notes, bibliography, time line. (11-14)

*Frida & Diego: Art, Love, Life

by Catherine Reef

(Clarion Books/HMH, \$18.99) 978-0-547-82184-9 Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera, two of Mexico's greatest artists, loved one another but had a complicated relationship. Illustrated with photographs and reproductions of their work. (11-14)

*Ida M. Tarbell: The Woman Who Challenged Big Business—and Won!

by Emily Arnold McCully (Clarion Books/HMH, \$18.99) 978-0-547-29092-8 Appalled by increasing disparities in wealth, investigative reporter Ida Tarbell succeeded in exposing the ruthless practices behind John D. Rockefeller's Standard Oil Company, ushering in the era of muckraking journalism and progressive reform. (13-15)

*Leaving China: An Artist Paints His World War II Childhood

written and illustrated by James McMullan (Algonquin Young Readers/Workman Pub., \$19.95) 978-1-61620-255-2

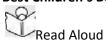
In vignettes, an illustrator of children's books and theater posters recounts his coming-of-age in Shanghai, Canada, and India. Beautiful watercolor illustrations. (11-14)

Taking Flight: From War Orphan to Star Ballerina

by Michaela De Prince, with Elaine De Prince (Alfred A. Knopf/Random House, \$16.99) 978-0-385-75511-5

A magazine cover of a ballerina ignites a passion in warorphaned Michaela. She overcomes racial barriers and concepts of conventional beauty to become a rising star in ballet. (11-13)







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History

*Because They Marched: The People's Campaign for Voting Rights That Changed America

by Russell Freedman (Holiday House, \$20.00) 978-0-8234-2921-9 A vivid account and graphic archival photographs celebrate the courage of Americans who fought fifty years ago for their right to vote. (11-14)

*Bombs over Bikini: The World's First Nuclear Disaster by Connie Goldsmith

(Twenty-First Century/Lerner, \$25.95) 978-1-4677-1612-3

Between 1946 and 1958, the United States tested sixtyseven nuclear bombs in the Marshall Islands, with devastating consequences for the region's inhabitants. Archival photographs. (12-15)

Boundaries: How the Mason-Dixon Line Settled a Family Feud & Divided a Nation

by Sally M. Walker (Candlewick Press, \$24.99) 978-0-7636-5612-6 Two scientists, using meticulous astronomical measurements, establish a line between colonies and, later, between slave states and free states. Archival maps, photographs, and diagrams. (12-16)

Bugged: How Insects Changed History

by Sarah Albee, illustrated by Robert Leighton (Walker BFYR/Bloomsbury Children's Books, \$23.89; P \$17.99) 978-0-8027-3423-5; 978-0-8027-3422-8 (pbk) The fascinating, and gross, story of the diseases caused by insects and the impact they had on history, told with humor and attitude. Humorous illustrations. Sources, archival images. (11-15)

Freedom Summer: The 1964 Struggle for Civil Rights in Mississippi

by Susan Goldman Rubin (Holiday House, \$18.95) 978-0-8234-2920-2 Civil Rights groups recruit volunteers to do dangerous work registering African Americans to vote, and three are murdered. Illustrated with photographs. (11-15)

*Harlem Hellfighters

by J. Patrick Lewis, illustrated by Gary Kelley (Creative Editions/Creative Company/Chronicle, \$18.99) 978-1-56846-246-2

Poetic text and distinctive illustrations showcase both the bravery and jazz musicianship of an African American regiment during World War I. Bibliography and artist's notes. (11-15)

*Hidden Like Anne Frank: Fourteen True Stories of Survival

by Marcel Prins and Peter Henk Steenhuis, translated from the Dutch by Laura Watkinson (Arthur A. Levine/Scholastic, \$16.99) 978-0-545-54362-0 During World War II in the Netherlands, many Jewish children were hidden with strangers. First-person descriptions capture their fears, hardships, and emotional turmoil. Glossary, notes, maps. (12-15)

*The Port Chicago 50: Disaster, Mutiny, and the Fight for Civil Rights

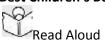
by Steve Sheinkin (Roaring Brook Press/Macmillan, \$19.99) 978-1-59643-796-8

After a dangerous explosion at a World War II naval yard, black sailors, fearful for their lives, refused to load ammunition and were charged with mutiny. Based on interviews. Photographs, notes, bibliography. (11-14)

*Schools of Hope: How Julius Rosenwald Helped Change African American Education

by Norman H. Finkelstein (Calkins Creek/Highlights, \$16.95) 978-1-59078-841-7 To improve the under-resourced education of black children in the South in the early 1900s, Julius Rosenwald partnered with communities and helped build nearly 5,000 schools. Archival photographs. (12-15)







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History, continued

Searching for Sarah Rector: The Richest Black Girl in America

by Tonya Bolden (Abrams BFYR, \$21.95) 978-1-4197-0846-6 After oil is discovered on her government issued land allotment, eleven-year-old Sarah Rector suddenly disappears. Photographs, maps, and primary sources. (11-14)

Language

Every Body's Talking: What We Say Without Words

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