**FICTION**

**Adventure and Mystery**

**Elizabeth and Zenobia**  
by Jessica Miller, illustrated by Yelena Bryksenkova  
(Amulet Books/Abrams, $16.99) 978-1-4197-2724-5  
Elizabeth and her imaginary friend, Zenobia, discover what tragic secrets their new home is protecting in its hidden staircases, forbidden rooms, and gloomy gardens. Gothic black-and-white illustrations. (11-13)

**Have Sword, Will Travel**  
by Garth Nix and Sean Williams  
(Scholastic Press, $17.99) 978-0-545-25902-6  
Knighted by a talking sword, Odo embarks on a quest to slay a dragon, accompanied by Eleanor, whose dreams of adventure have come true. (11-13)

**In the Shadow of the Sun**  
by Anne Sibley O'Brien  
(Arthur A. Levine Books/Scholastic, $17.99) 978-0-545-90574-9  
South Korean adoptee Mia must escape from North Korea with her American brother when their father is arrested. Includes factual information about North Korea. (11-14)

**The Murderer’s Ape**  
written and illustrated by Jakob Wegelius, translated from the Swedish by Peter Graves  
A gorilla who understands human speech travels the world one step ahead of evildoers who framed her shipmate for murder and who want her dead. Black-and-white portraits and spot illustrations. Color map. (11-14)

**The Mystery of the Painted Dragon (The Sinclair’s Mysteries)**  
by Katherine Woodfine  
(Kane Miller/EDC, P $6.99) 978-1-61067-661-8  
In 1909 two daring female detectives and their friends unmask the thief of a painting. A fast-paced Edwardian mystery. (11-13)

***Vanished! (Framed! series)**  
by James Ponti  
Middle schoolers Florian and Margaret, members of an FBI Special Projects Team, are called in to find out who is pranking an elite school but then are confronted with a much more serious case. (11-13)

**The Whiz Mob and the Grenadine Kid**  
by Colin Meloy, illustrated by Carson Ellis  
(Balzer + Bray/HarperCollins, $17.99) 978-0-06-234245-4  
Charlie, an American diplomat’s son, joins a gang of international pickpockets in 1961 Marseille. The stakes are much higher than he realized. Whimsical pencil illustrations. (11-13)

**Anthologies and Collections**

**Flying Lessons & Other Stories**  
edited by Ellen Oh  
Ten seemingly disparate stories about young people are connected by their focus on the importance of valuing difference. (11-13)

**Coming of Age**

**Armstrong & Charlie**  
by Steven B. Frank  
(Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, $16.99) 978-0-544-82608-3  
Ten African American sixth graders are bused to a white school in a desegregation experiment in 1970s LA, creating challenges and unexpected friendship. (11-13)
Coming of Age, continued

**Auma’s Long Run**
by Eucabeth Odhiambo
(Carolrhoda Books/Lerner, $17.99) 978-1-5124-2784-4
In the early days of the AIDS epidemic, Auma, a grade-school track runner, finds herself caring for her stricken parents in their Kenyan village. (12-14)

**Bang**
by Barry Lyga
(Little, Brown and Company/Hachette, $17.99) 978-0-316-31550-0
An adolescent struggles with having accidentally killed his infant sister when he was four. When he meets a Muslim girl, she helps him find his place in the world. (12-14)

**The Ethan I Was Before**
by Ali Standish
(Harper/HarperCollins, $16.99) 978-0-06-243338-1
After a trauma, Ethan moves with his family to Georgia where he hopes to recover from his painful memories. He succeeds in surprising ways. (11-14)

**Greetings from Witness Protection!**
by Jake Burt
(Feiwel and Friends/Macmillan, $16.99) 978-1-250-10711-4
A middle grader in foster care is commissioned to join a family in the Witness Protection program to confuse the deadly criminals looking for them. (11-14)

**Hear the Wolves**
by Victoria Scott
(Scholastic Press, $16.99) 978-1-338-04358-7
Sloan, 12, and her neighbors must make a brutal trek through the Alaskan wilderness—with ravenous wolves on their tail. (11-14) Mature Content

*The Heartbeats of Wing Jones*
by Katherine Webber
(Delacorte Press/Random House/PRH, $17.99) 978-0-399-55502-2
After her adored brother’s devastating car accident, Wing Jones, half Chinese, half black, takes up running and learns to value herself. (11-14)

*Kids Like Us*
by Hilary Reyl
(Farrar Straus Giroux BFYR/Macmillan, $17.99) 978-0-374-30628-1
Martin, diagnosed with autism, tells his story of mixing with neurotypical students when he accompanies his mother on a film shoot in France. (13-15)

**The Lake Effect**
by Erin McCahan
(Dial/PRH, $17.99) 978-0-8037-4052-5
Briggs, 18, who already has plans for a law degree and an MBA mapped out, finds his assumptions overturned when he spends a summer working for an elderly widow. (12-15)

**No More No Name**
by Tim Tingle
(7th Generation/Book Publishing Co., $9.95) 978-1-939053-17-6
A Choctaw teenage basketball player, Bobby, recognizes alcoholic behavior in his white teammate’s father. Bobby and the coach lend critical support to the troubled boy. (12-14)

**The One Memory of Flora Banks**
by Emily Barr
(Philoemel Books/Penguin Random House, $15.99) 978-0-399-54701-0
A 17-year-old with amnesia travels alone to the Arctic in search of a boy whose kiss she inexplicably remembers. (13-15)
Coming of Age, continued

*One Shadow on the Wall
by Leah Henderson
(Atheneum BFYR/ Simon & Schuster, $16.99) 978-1-4814-6295-2
Mor, an 11-year-old Senegalese orphan, finds himself guided by his deceased father’s voice as he undertakes the care of his younger sisters and struggles with a local gang (11-13)

*Piecing Me Together
by Renée Watson
(Bloomsbury Children’s Books, $17.99) 978-1-68119-105-8
When Jade is nominated by her predominantly white private high school to join a mentoring program for black girls, she seeks support on her own terms. (12-14)

Pretty
by Justin Sayre
(Grosset & Dunlap/PRH, $16.99) 978-0-448-48417-4
Sophie, a light-skinned Brooklyn black girl, works to develop her unique talents and beauty while coping with the challenges of growing up with an alcoholic mother. (11-14)

Protected
by Claire Zorn
(Sourcebooks Fire/Sourcebooks, $17.99) 978-1-4926-5213-7
The bullies who have been plaguing 15-year-old Hannah stop abruptly when her older sister is killed. A portrait of the complicated aftermath of family tragedy. (12-15)

Slider
by Pete Hautman
(Candlewick Press, $16.99) 978-0-7636-9070-0
David hopes to win a competitive pizza-eating contest in order to atone for having accidentally charged $2,000 on his mother’s credit card. (12-14)

Sparrow
by Sarah Moon
(Arthur A. Levine Books/Scholastic, $18.99) 978-1-338-03258-1
Eighth-grade Brooklynite Sparrow has no friends. Instead she finds solace in hatching birds, until the death of her beloved librarian leads her to seek therapy. (12-14)

Subject to Change
by Karen Nesbitt
(Orca Book Publishers, P $14.95) 978-1-4598-1146-1
In rural Quebec, Declan, 15, struggles to make sense of his older brother’s delinquency, his father’s sexuality, and his new feelings for his tutor, “Miss Perfect.” (12-15)

*The Summer of Owen Todd
by Tony Abbott
(Farrar Straus Giroux BFYR/Macmillan, $17.99) 978-0-374-30550-5
Owen and Sean, 11, are looking forward to a great summer on Cape Cod—until Sean’s babysitter, Paul, sexually abuses him. (11-14) Mature Content

Things That Surprise You
by Jennifer Maschari
(Balzer + Bray/HarperCollins, $16.99) 978-0-06-243892-8
Emily’s comfortable, suburban world is suddenly less safe when she is faced with her parents’ divorce, her sister’s anorexia, her best friend’s desertion, and the beginning of middle school. (11-13)

The Victoria in My Head
by Janelle Milanes
(Simon Pulse/Simon & Schuster, $17.99) 978-1-4814-8089-5
Straight-A, middle-class Victoria Cruz dreams of a less-constrained life. Then her friend encourages her to audition for lead singer of the school’s rock band. (11-14)
Coming of Age, continued

Who's That Girl
by Blair Thornburgh
(HarperTeen/HarperCollins, $17.99) 978-0-06-244777-7
Her first kiss—from a rock star she has had a crush on—lands Nattie in the hospital. It could be that he’s not Mr. Right. (11-14)

Wonderful Feels Like This
by Sara Lövestam, translated from the Swedish by Laura A. Wideburg
(Flatiron Books, $17.99) 978-1-250-09523-7
In Sweden, biracial Steffi is bullied by classmates. One day, she follows the sound of music to a retirement home. She befriends the elderly musician, and they both blossom. (12-15)

Fantasy

Dragonfly Song
by Wendy Orr
(Pajama Press, $17.95) 978-1-77278-037-6
Chosen as the island’s sacrifice to the Bull King, outcast Aissa has a talent for singing, but is voiceless. Will her gift ever be revealed? Told through a mixture of poetry and prose. (12-15)

La Belle Sauvage (The Book of Dust series)
by Philip Pullman, illustrated by Chris Wormell
(Alfred A. Knopf BFYR/Random House/PRH, $22.99) 978-0-375-81530-0
Teenagers Malcolm and Alice rescue baby Lyra from the dangers of a flood and the forces of evil in this prequel to The Golden Compass. Dramatic, foreboding illustrations. (12-15)

The List
by Patricia Forde
(Sourcebooks Jabberwocky/Sourcebooks, $16.99) 978-1-4926-4796-6
What happens when words are banned and thought is suppressed? A young girl finds the courage and bravery she needs to fight for a better world. (11-14)

A Single Stone
by Meg McKinlay
(Candlewick Press, $17.99) 978-0-7636-8837-0
A cataclysmic upheaval forces an isolated matriarchal community to rely on seven young girls to sustain them by harvesting mica in dangerous rocky fissures. (11-14)

Spirit Hunters
by Ellen Oh
(Harper/HarperCollins, $16.99) 978-0-06-243008-3
Harper’s younger brother’s imaginary friend seems benign—at first. Why is Harper experiencing déjá vu, and why does it seem to connect to her Korean grandmother? (11-13)

Thick As Thieves (The Queen’s Thief series)
by Megan Whalen Turner, maps by Maxime Plasse
(Greenwillow Books/HarperCollins, $17.99) 978-0-06-256824-3
Forced to flee when his master is poisoned, Kamet, a highly regarded slave and secretary, joins a soldier from another kingdom on a dangerous journey. Elegant maps. (12-15)  Mature Content

Whichwood
by Tahereh Mafi
(Dutton Children’s Books/PRH, $17.99) 978-1-101-99479-5
In this companion to Furthermore, Alice and Oliver arrive to help Laylee, a mordeshoor (caretaker of the dead), but none of them know exactly how to do that. (11-14)

York (The Shadow Cipher series)
by Laura Ruby
(Walden Pond Press/HarperCollins, $17.99) 978-0-06-230693-7
In an imagined alternate New York, twins Tess and Theo and their friend Jaime attempt to solve a puzzle that promises to save their home. First in a series. (11-14)
Best Children’s Books of the Year
Twelve to Fourteen
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**Folklore and Fairy Tales**

*Yvain: The Knight of the Lion*
based on the 12th-century epic by Chrétien de Troyes (Candlewick Press, $19.99) 978-0-7636-5939-4
A knight of King Arthur’s court sets out on a dangerous quest for adventure and glory. Brilliantly written and illustrated in colorful energetic panels. (11-14)

**Historical Fiction**

Evangelina Takes Flight
by Diana J. Noble
(Piñata Books/Arté Público, P $10.95) 978-1-55885-848-0
In 1911, 13-year-old Evangelina and her family flee the violence of the Mexican Revolution. But can they thrive in racially torn Texas? (12-14)

*Hell and High Water*
by Tanya Landman
(Candlewick Press, $17.99) 978-0-7636-8875-2
In England in 1752, Caleb knows that the body that has just washed ashore is his father. Why would all the townspeople claim that it isn’t? (12-15)

It All Comes Down to This
by Karen English
(Clarion Books/HMH, $16.99) 978-0-544-83957-1
Navigating racial discrimination in a recently integrated middle class suburban Los Angeles neighborhood in 1965 is only one of several pressures in 12-year-old Sophia’s life. (11-14)

Making Bombs for Hitler
by Marsha Forchuk Skrypuch
(Scholastic Press, $17.99) 978-0-545-93191-5
Lida, an ethnic Ukrainian, is captured with her sister to assist the Nazis in the war effort and faces hardships in a brutal work camp. (12-14)

**Humor**

I Believe in a Thing Called Love
by Maurene Goo
(Margaret Ferguson Books/Farrar Straus Giroux BFYR/Macmillan, $17.99) 978-1-338-30772-2
Ambitious high school senior Desi Lee has no idea how to get a boyfriend. Then an idea strikes her: study her father’s favorite Korean soap operas. (12-14)

*This Is Just a Test*
by Madelyn Rosenberg and Wendy Wan-Long Shang
(Scholastic Press, $17.99) 978-1-338-30772-2
As a bar mitzvah approaches, grandmothers struggle for dominance and friendships are tested. A love interest appears, and David Da-Wei Horowitz is digging a fallout shelter in case of nuclear war. (12-15)

**Magical Realism**

Bone Jack
by Sara Crowe
(Philomel Books/Penguin Random House, $16.99) 978-0-399-17651-7
Ash finds respite from his ex-soldier father’s PTSD by training for the Stag Race, an ancient English tradition. But reality and legend start to blur in threatening ways. (11-14)

*Refugee*
by Alan Gratz
(Scholastic Press, $16.99) 978-0-545-88083-1
In 1939, 1994, and 2015, young people and their families leave their countries and risk their lives to seek their freedom. Powerful and timely. (11-14)

Stone Mirrors: The Sculpture and Silence of Edmonia Lewis
by Jeannine Atkins
(Atheneum BFYR/ Simon & Schuster, $17.99) 978-1-4814-5905-1
In 1859 a Black Ojibwe orphan attends the first college to accept students of all races and grows up to be an acclaimed sculptor. Told in free verse. (12-15)
Magical Realism, continued

The Disappearances
by Emily Bain Murphy
(Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, $17.99)
978-0-544-87936-2
The people in Aila’s New England town think that her family is responsible for their mysterious losses. Can she use the clues her dead mother left her to discover why? (12-15)

Everything All at Once
by Katrina Leno
Lottie’s favorite aunt, a best-selling author, dies, leaving her a series of letters with challenges to help her through her grief. (12-15)

The Girl in Between
by Sarah Carroll
(Kathy Dawson Books/PRH, $16.99)
978-0-7352-2860-3
In spare, heart-wrenching prose, a homeless girl narrates her peripatetic life with her addicted mother and the imaginary world she creates to help herself cope. (12-15) Mature Content

Goldeline
by Jimmy Cajoleas
After her mother is burned as a witch, Goldeline lives as a bandit, until she rescues a boy and starts to discover her own abilities. (12-15)

Science Fiction

*Satellite
by Nick Lake
(Alfred A. Knopf BFYR/Random House/PRH, $17.99)
978-1-5247-1353-9
Three children who were born in a space station are returned to Earth, but their “homecoming” is not what they had anticipated. (12-15)

What Goes Up
by Katie Kennedy
(Bloomsbury Children’s Books, $17.99)
978-1-61963-912-6
When three teens win places in a space mission trainee program, they soon find themselves in greater danger than they had anticipated. (12-15)

Sports Stories

Backfield Boys
by John Feinstein
(Farrar Straus Giroux BFYR/Macmillan, $17.99)
978-0-374-30592-5
When grade-school football friends Jason, white, and Tom, black, enter a high school football academy, they are met with overt racism. (11-14)

Roll
by Darcy Miller
(Harper/HarperCollins, $16.99) 978-0-06-246122-3
Reluctantly training for cross-country tryouts, Ren starts to feel passion for another type of competition after meeting his new neighbor, Sutton, and her racing Birmingham Roller Pigeons. (11-13)

Today

Bubble
by Stewart Foster
(Simon & Schuster BFYR, $16.99) 978-1-4814-8742-9
Eleven-year-old Joe’s autoimmune disease confines him to a hospital, but his new nurse, Amir, has some ideas for expanding his world. (11-13)

Cyclone
by Doreen Cronin, illustrated by Debra Sfetsios-Conover
(A Caitlyn Dlouhy Book/Atheneum BFYR/Simon & Schuster, $16.99) 978-1-4814-3525-3
Nora must deal with the consequences of having forced her cousin Riley to ride the Cyclone when Riley suffers an unusual stroke. Pencil line drawings. (11-14)
Today, continued

**The End of the Wild**
by Nicole Helget  
(Little, Brown and Company/Hachette, $16.99)  
978-0-316-24511-1  
Fern learns the need for compromise when fracking for gas threatens her beautiful woodlands but offers jobs to the poverty-stricken community. (11-13)

* **The Exact Location of Home**  
by Kate Messner  
(Bloomsbury Children’s Books, $16.99)  
978-1-68119-548-3  
Zig’s father is missing, and now Zig and his mother have been evicted from their home. Did his father leave clues to his whereabouts via geocaching? (11-13)

**Flight Risk**
by Jennifer Fenn  
(Roaring Brook Press/Macmillan, $17.99)  
978-1-62672-760-1  
Robert Jackson Kelley, 18, needs to get out of his small town. How better than to steal a plane or two—or three? (13-15)

**Hello, Universe**
by Erin Entrada Kelly, illustrated by Isabel Roxas  
(Greenwillow Books/HarperCollins, $16.99)  
978-0-06-241415-1  
A bully throwing Virgil Salinas’s backpack down a well is the catalyst in this story of friendship and hope. Told in multiple voices. Black-and-white spot illustrations. (11-13)

**Hideout**
by Watt Key  
(Farrar Straus Giroux BFYR/Macmillan, $16.99)  
978-0-374-30482-9  
When 12-year-old Sam discovers a boy living on his own in the Mississippi marshlands, he must decide how far he’s willing to go to help him. (11-13)

* **Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus**  
by Dusti Bowling  
(Sterling Children’s Books/Sterling Publishing, $14.95)  
978-1-4549-2345-9  
Born without arms, 13-year-old Aven can do just about anything. But will she be able to cope at a new school where everyone thinks she’s a freak? (11-13)

**The Lines We Cross**
by Randa Abdel-Fattah  
(Scholastic Press, $18.99)  
978-1-338-11866-7  
The attraction between teenagers Mina, an Afghan-Australian refugee, and Michael, a white Australia-born citizen, force them to confront and explore the prejudices and challenges Mina’s community faces. (13-15)

**Love and First Sight**
by Josh Sundquist  
(Little, Brown and Company/Hachette, $17.99)  
978-0-316-30535-8  
Blind since birth, Will Porter, 16, undergoes experimental surgery that restores his sight, with unexpected consequences for his relationships and sense of identity. (11-13)

* **A Psalm for Lost Girls**  
by Katie Bayerl  
(G.P. Putnam’s Sons/PRH, $17.99)  
978-0-399-54525-2  
When 16-year-old Callie’s older sister, Tess, dies of a heart defect, rumors abound that Tess could perform miracles. Grieving Callie must find the hard truth behind the stories. (12-15)  
Mature Content

**Restart**
by Gordon Korman  
(Scholastic Press, $16.99)  
978-1-338-05377-7  
When Chase, a sports star and a bully, suffers a concussion and amnesia, he gets the chance to reinvent himself as a filmmaker and a generous friend. (11-14)
Today, continued

**Saints and Misfits**
by S. K. Ali
(Salaam Reads/Simon & Schuster, $18.99)
978-1-4814-9924-8
Janna Yusuf, 15, tries to make sense of her life after being sexually assaulted by her best friend’s cousin, a well-respected boy at her mosque. (12-15)
Mature Content

**See You in the Cosmos**
by Jack Cheng
(Dial BFYR/Penguin YR/PRH, $16.99) 978-0-399-18637-0
Attending a rocket festival to launch his own entry leads to many adventures for 11-year-old Alex—and to a surprising discovery about his dead father. (11-13)

**Speed of Life**
by Carol Weston
(Sourcebooks Jabberwocky/Sourcebooks, $16.99)
978-1-4926-5449-0
Grieving her mother’s death, Sofia, 14, anonymously emails advice columnist “Dear Kate.” Complications arise when she discovers that her father is dating Kate. (11-14)

**The Stars beneath Our Feet**
by David Barclay Moore
(Alfred A. Knopf BFYR/Random House/PRH, $16.99)
978-1-5247-0124-6
Mourning pervades 12-year-old Lolly’s Harlem apartment after his brother is shot outside a nightclub. Healing starts unexpectedly when Lolly’s mom’s girlfriend gives him large bags of Legos. (11-14)

**Words on Bathroom Walls**
by Julia Walton
(Random House Children’s Books/PRH, $17.99)
978-0-399-55088-1
A new drug trial successfully treats Adam’s schizophrenic hallucinations and imagined voices, but his newfound clarity is not without its own issues. (12-15)

You May Already Be a Winner
by Ann Dee Ellis
(Dial BFYR/Penguin YR/PRH, $16.99)
978-1-101-99385-9
Twelve-year-old Olivia gamely battles the harsh realities of an absentee father, depressed mother, and responsibility for her five-year-old sister by entering sweepstakes and contests. (11-13)

INFORMATION BOOKS

**Arts**

*Meet Cindy Sherman: Artist, Photographer, Chameleon*
by Jan Greenberg and Sandra Jordan
(A Neal Porter Book/Roaring Brook Press/Macmillan, $19.99) 978-1-62672-520-1
Color photographs illuminate the career of a New York City woman who combines photography with a passion for the unusual. Back matter. (11-14)

**Biography and Memoir**

**Alexander Hamilton, Revolutionary**
by Martha Brockenbrough
(Feiwel and Friends/Macmillan, $17.99)
978-1-250-12319-0
The life of the man who helped shape the American government and financial system is presented in a detailed and exciting narrative. Extensive back matter. (12-15)

*Becoming Kareem: Growing Up On and Off the Court*
by Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and Raymond Obstfeld
(Little, Brown and Company/Hachette, $17.99)
978-0-316-55538-8
The iconic basketball star shares how the game and racism in the 1950s and 1960s influenced him and shaped his life and vision. Black-and-white photographs. (11-15)
Biography and Memoir, continued

Death on the River of Doubt: Theodore Roosevelt’s Amazon Adventure
by Samantha Seiple
(Scholastic Press, $17.99) 978-0-545-70916-3
Follow the 26th president on his treacherous adventures in Brazil’s Amazon jungle as he charts an unmapped river. Archival photos, maps, charts, timeline, sources, index. (11-14)

Isaac the Alchemist: Secrets of Isaac Newton, Reveal’d
by Mary Losure
(Candlewick Press, $19.99) 978-0-7636-7063-4
Learn about the life and work of the great British scientist and mathematician, as well as about his interest in magic. Archival drawings, notes, bibliography. (11-14)

The Red Bandanna
by Tom Rinaldi
(Viking/PRH, $17.99) 978-0-425-28762-0
Welles Crowther, a trader on the 104th floor of the World Trade Center, died helping people to safety on 9/11. Archival photos. (11-14)

Survivors Club: The True Story of a Very Young Prisoner of Auschwitz
by Michael Bornstein and Debbie Bornstein Holinstat
(Farrar Straus Giroux BFYR/Macmillan, $16.99)
978-0-374-30571-0
The author describes his early childhood in Poland during World War II, his internment in Auschwitz, and his life after his liberation. Photographs, glossary, and back matter. (12-15)

*Virginia Hamilton: America’s Storyteller
by Julie K. Rubini
(Ohio University Press, $14.95) 978-0-8214-2268-7
The amazing life of the noted children’s author is told with reference to her books and awards. Glossary, notes, bibliography. Photographs. (12-15)

History

*The Book of Chocolate: The Amazing Story of the World’s Favorite Candy
by H. P. Newquist
(Viking/Penguin YR/PRH, $17.99) 978-0-670-01574-0
Discover the fascinating 500-year-old history of chocolate, including its growth, preparation, varieties of uses, and products. Wonderful archival photos, graphs, and maps. Extensive back matter. (11-14)

Come On In, America: The United States in World War I
by Linda Barrett Osborne
(Abrams BFYR, $17.95) 978-1-4197-2378-0
Explore why the United States chose to enter World War I, the war’s impact on the country and labor rights, and more. Bibliography, references, archival photographs. (11-14)

Fault Lines in the Constitution: The Framers, Their Fights, and the Flaws That Affect Us Today
by Cynthia Levinson and Sanford Levinson
(Peachtree, $19.95) 978-1-56145-945-2
Alternating accounts from the 1787 Constitutional Convention and contemporary examples reveal complexities and imperfections in one of our nation’s founding documents. Poster-like infographics. Extensive back matter. (11-14)
History, continued

Higher, Steeper, Faster: The Daredevils Who Conquered the Skies
by Lawrence Goldstone
(Little, Brown and Company/Hachette, $18.99)
978-0-316-35023-5
Meet the brave men and women who took to the skies in flying machines, performing deadly stunts and expanding the limits of flight. Black-and-white illustrations and photographs. Back matter. (12-15)

Locked Up for Freedom: Civil Rights Protesters at the Leesburg Stockade
by Heather E. Schwartz
(Millbrook Press/Lerner, $33.32) 978-1-4677-8597-6
Over 30 black girls who were arrested for participating in 1963 Civil Rights marches faced inhumane conditions in a Georgia Civil War-era stockade. Back matter. Black-and-white photographs. (11-14)

The March against Fear: The Last Great Walk of the Civil Rights Movement and the Emergence of Black Power
by Ann Bausum
(National Geographic Children’s Books, $18.99)
978-1-4263-2665-3
James Meredith’s life, the march across Mississippi, and the conflict between Stokely Carmichael’s “Black Power” movement and Martin Luther King Jr.’s nonviolent resistance are examined in great detail. Archival photographs. (12-15)

Poison: Deadly Deeds, Perilous Professions, and Murderous Medicines
by Sarah Albee, illustrated by Karl Newsom Edwards
(Crown BFYR/Random House/PRH, P $17.99)
978-1-101-93223-0
This fascinating history of deadly substances throughout the ages informs and entertains while providing historical insight. Cartoons and photo reproductions enrich the text. Extensive back matter. (11-14)

*Twelve Days in May: Freedom Ride 1961
by Larry Dane Brimner
(Calkins Creek/Highlights, $18.95) 978-1-62979-586-7
A diverse group of activists journey on buses from Washington, DC, to New Orleans to challenge Jim Crow segregation in the South. Archival photographs. Extensive back matter. (11-14)

*Undefeated: Jim Thorpe and the Carlisle Indian School Football Team
by Steve Sheinkin
(Roaring Brook Press/Macmillan, $19.99)
978-1-59643-954-2
Despite barbaric treatment at an assimilation school for Native Americans, Jim Thorpe and his fellow teammates rose to revolutionize the game of football. Archival photographs, footnotes. (12-15)

Language

Writing Radar: Using Your Journal to Snoop Out and Craft Great Stories
written and illustrated by Jack Gantos
(Farrar Straus Giroux BFYR/Macmillan, $17.99)
978-0-374-30456-0
Gantos uses his own over-the-top childhood journals, stories, and memories to advise today’s young writers. Humorous line drawings. (11-14)

Law and Justice

*Racial Profiling: Everyday Inequality
by Alison Marie Behnke
(Twenty-First Century Books/Lerner, $26.99)
978-1-5124-0268-1
Explore historical and contemporary perspectives in racial literacy, including examinations of prejudice and privilege, the criminal justice system, counterterrorism, and Islamophobia. Concludes with calls for change. (12-15)
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Speaking Our Truth: A Journey of Reconciliation
by Monique Gray Smith
(Orca Book Publishers, $29.95) 978-1-4598-1583-4
This mixed-heritage author describes the experiences of
Indigenous children forced to attend schools that
deprived them of their heritage; she calls for readers to
join reconciliation efforts. Bibliography, glossary, index.
(12-14)

POETRY

*Bravo!: Poems about Amazing Hispanics
by Margarita Engle, illustrated by Rafael López
(Godwin Books/Henry Holt/Macmillan, $18.99)
978-0-8050-9876-1
This lively collection of poems features people from
many different countries and backgrounds. Mixed-
media illustrations. Biographical notes. Also available in
Spanish. (11-14)

*One Last Word: Wisdom from the Harlem
Renaissance
by Nikki Grimes and others, illustrated by 15 prominent
artists
(Bloomsbury Children’s Books, $18.99)
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Read Grimes’s “Golden Shovel” poems alongside the
classic works of the Harlem Renaissance that inspired
them. Striking full-color art. Back matter. Index. (11-14)

Robert Frost (Poetry for Kids series)
edited by Jay Parini, illustrated by Michael Paraskevas
(MoonDance Press/Quarto, $14.95)
978-1-63322-220-5
By defining words, this accessible collection of odes to
the natural world by America’s famous poet
summarizes each poem. Simple, evocative illustrations.
(11-14)

Religion

*Artemis: Wild Goddess of the Hunt (Olympians
series)
written and illustrated by George O’Connor
(First Second/Roaring Brook Press/Macmillan,
P $9.99) 978-1-62672-522-5
Many stories about Artemis are woven into one
narrative. Exciting graphics and informative, snarky
footnotes. (12-15)

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and
Mathematics)

Beastly Brains: Exploring How Animals Think, Talk, and
Feel
written and photographed by Nancy F. Castaldo
(Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, $16.99)
978-0-544-63335-3
Do animals communicate? Do they think? Scientists
explore various creatures’ abilities. Photographs,
glossary, notes, bibliography. (12-14)

A Dog in the Cave: The Wolves Who Made Us Human
by Kay Frydenborg
(Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, $18.99)
978-0-544-28656-6
Learn how the newest science and tools study the
intertwined history of dogs and humans, dating back
thousands of years. Full-color photographs and
historical drawings. (13-15)

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written and illustrated by David A. Aguilar
(Viking Children’s Books/PRH, $18.99)
978-0-451-47685-2
Explore seven extraordinary celestial wonders from the
Olympus Mons on Mars to mysterious Planet Nine.
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STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics)

Trashing the Planet: Examining Our Global Garbage Glut
by Stuart A. Kallen
(Twenty-First Century Books/Lerner, $37.32)
978-1-5124-1314-4
This clearly written and well-documented account offers a global view of human-generated garbage, from discarded food to space waste. Includes color photographs and extensive back matter. (12-15)

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by Alexandra Siy
(Charlesbridge, $18.99) 978-1-58089-728-0
In 1977 two unmanned probes carried music from our world into space, and they continue to send back fascinating information and photos. Full-color photos and clear back matter. (11-14)

Whale Quest: Working Together to Save Endangered Species
by Karen Romano Young
(Twenty-First Century Books/Lerner, $37.32)
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Learn all about these giant ocean mammals and about the people who are trying to save them. Photographs, glossary, notes, bibliography. (12-15)

When I Was a Turkey: Based on the Emmy Award-Winning PBS Documentary My Life as a Turkey
by Joe Hutto, with Brenda Z. Guiberson, illustrated by Joe Hutto
(Christy Ottaviano Books/Henry Holt BFYR/Macmillan, $18.99) 978-1-62779-385-8
When naturalist Joe Hutto receives wild turkey eggs, he hatches them and then spends two years nurturing, observing, bonding, and communicating with the flock. Pencil drawings and photographs. (11-14)

*The Whydah: A Pirate Ship Feared, Wrecked & Found
by Martin W. Sandler
(Candlewick Press, $19.99) 978-0-7636-8033-6
In 1984 marine archeologists discovered a pirate (and former slave) ship near Cape Cod, where it sank in 1717. Maps, line drawings, and archival photos. (11-13)

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*Girl Rising: Changing the World One Girl at a Time
by Tanya Lee Stone in association with Girl Rising
(Wendy Lamb Books/Random House/PRH, $22.99)
978-0-553-51146-8
Human trafficking, slavery, and child marriage condemn girls around the world to lives of hardship. Archival photos and information about supportive organizations offer challenges and hope. (12-15)

*Stormy Seas: Stories of Young Boat Refugees
by Mary Beth Leatherdale, illustrated by Eleanor Shakespeare
(Annick Press, $24.95) 978-1-55451-896-8
From pre-World War II Europe to North Africa today, five young people must flee their countries and find refuge far from home. Collage illustrations with photographs. (11-14)