

## **100 Year Celebration Newbery Medal Winners 1922-2022**

2022 - THE LAST CUENTISTA by Donna Barba Higuera

DB 105729

Petra Peña's world is ending, and only the chosen few will journey to a new planet. Hundreds of years later, Petra wakes to discover that she alone remembers Earth. A sinister Collective has taken over the ship during its journey, bent on erasing the sins of humanity's past. Commercial audiobook. For grades 5-8. 2021.

2021 - WHEN YOU TRAP A TIGER by Tae Keller

DB 99005

When Lily, her sister Sam, and their mother move in with her sick grandmother, Lily traps a tiger and makes a deal with him to heal Halmoni. Commercial audiobook. For grades 3-6. 2020.

2020 - NEW KID by Jerry Craft

DB 94151

Twelve-year-old Jordan loves drawing cartoons about his life. But instead of sending him to an art school, his parents enroll him in a prestigious private school, where Jordan is one of the few kids of color in his grade and is caught between two worlds. Commercial audiobook. For grades 4-7. 2019.

2019 - MERCI SUAREZ CHANGES GEARS by Meg Medina

DB 93532

Merci Suárez relies on her close extended family as she goes through many changes during her sixth-grade year at Florida's Seaward Pines Academy. For grades 4-7. 2018.

2018 - HELLO, UNIVERSE by Erin Entrada Kelly

DB 88222

The lives of four kids are intertwined when a bully's prank leaves shy Virgil stranded at the bottom of a well. Valencia, Kaori, and Gen band together in an epic quest to find and rescue him. Newbery Medal. For grades 3-6. 2017.

2017 - THE GIRL WHO DRANK THE MOON by Kelly Barnhill

DB 85739

Every year a community leaves a baby as an offering to a powerful, yet misunderstood witch named Xan. One infant—now a young girl—is being raised by the witch and must unlock the powerful magic buried deep inside her. For grades 4-7. 2016.

2016 - LAST STOP ON MARKET STREET by Matt de la Pena

DBC06858

A young boy, CJ, rides the bus across town with his grandmother and learns to appreciate the beauty in everyday things. For grades K-3.

2015- THE CROSSOVER by Kwame Alexander

DB 79528

Twin fourteen-year-old basketball stars Josh and Jordan wrestle with highs and lows on and off the court, as their father ignores his declining health. Told in hip-hop style verse. For senior high and older readers. 2014.

2014 - FLORA & ULYSSES: THE ILLUMINATED ADVENTURES by Kate DiCamillo

DB 80753

Comic-reading cynic Flora Belle Buckman rescues a squirrel after an accident involving a vacuum cleaner. She is astonished when the squirrel, Ulysses, demonstrates incredible powers of strength and flight after being revived. Commercial audiobook. Newberry Medal. For grades 3-6.

2013 - THE ONE AND ONLY IVAN by Katherine Applegate

DB 75687

Ivan the gorilla has lived comfortably for years in a down-and-out, circus-themed mall. But when baby elephant Ruby arrives, Ivan decides that he must find her a better life. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 2012.

2012 - DEAD END IN NORVELT by Jack Gantos

DB 74209

Norvelt, Pennsylvania; 1962. Twelve-year-old Jack Gantos is spending his summer grounded for various offenses and helping his elderly neighbor. As part of his duties, Jack must perform an unusual chore

that involves the newly dead, molten wax, underage driving, and more. For grades 5-8 and older readers.

2011 - MOON OVER MANIFEST by Clare Vanderpool

DB 72632

Great Depression, 1936. Drifter Gideon Tucker sends his twelve-year-old daughter Abilene to stay with his friend Shady Howard, a saloon-owner-turned-pastor, in Manifest, Kansas, where Gideon grew up. Abilene discovers a cigar box full of papers and odds and ends that lead her to long-held secrets. For grades 5-8.

2010 - WHEN YOU REACH ME by Rebecca Stead

DB 69837

New York City, 1979. Twelve-year-old Miranda helps her mother prepare to be on a television game show. Meanwhile Miranda tries to understand why her best friend Sal doesn't want to hang out anymore—and why someone is sending Miranda tiny notes from the future. For grades 5-8. 2009.

2009 - THE GRAVEYARD BOOK by Neil Gaiman

DB 68027

A toddler enters a cemetery pursued by the knife-wielding stranger who just murdered his family. Resident ghosts Mr. and Mrs. Owens protect and adopt the child, naming him Nobody "Bod" Owens. Bod's graveyard upbringing serves him well, but why was his family targeted? For grades 5-8 and older readers.

2008 - GOOD MASTERS! SWEET LADIES! VOICES FROM A MEDIEVAL VILLAGE by Laura Amy Schlitz

DB 65935

Nineteen monologues and two dialogues about the ten- to fifteen-year-old sons and daughters of nobility and paupers living near an English manor in 1255. Interspersed between dramatic readings are background pieces on medieval customs and events, such as farming, falconry, the Crusades, and pilgrimages. For grades 5-8.

2007 - THE HIGHER POWER OF LUCKY by Susan Patron

DB 63864

Hard Pan, California: population forty-three. Convinced that her guardian, Brigitte, wants to return to France, ten-year-old Lucky

Trimble runs away during a sandstorm with her dog, HMS Beagle. Lucky encounters her five-year-old neighbor Miles, and the three of them have an adventure. For grades 4-7.

2006 - *CRISS CROSS* by Lynne Rae Perkins

DB 61389

Debbie—first met in *ALL ALONE IN THE UNIVERSE* (RC 49604)—wishes something good would happen to her. She and other young teens in her hometown experience new thoughts and feelings, question their identities, and connect and disconnect as they search for meaning in life and love. For grades 6-9.

2005 - *KIRA-KIRA* by Cynthia Kadohata

DB 59896

Georgia, 1950s. Katie's close-knit Japanese American family puts up a brave front when Katie's older sister Lynn is diagnosed with a terminal illness. The family even goes into debt to buy a house, hoping Lynn's health will improve there. For grades 6-9

2004 - *THE TALE OF DESPEREAUX: BEING THE STORY OF A MOUSE, A PRINCESS, SOME SOUP, AND A SPOOL OF THREAD* by Kate DiCamillo

DB 57805

Despereaux, a small mouse, is condemned to the dungeon for falling in love with human Princess Pea. Despereaux meets the rat, Roscuro, while Mig, an upstairs serving girl, wishes to be a princess, too. All four meet with near disastrous results. Newbery Medal winner. For grades 3-6.

2003 - *CRISPIN: THE CROSS OF LEAD* by Avi

DB 55295

In 1377 England, the manor steward falsely accuses a thirteen-year-old orphan of murder. Before he runs away, the boy learns his name from the village priest. On the road with Bear, a juggler, Crispin learns who his father is—and the reason the steward wants him dead. For grades 6-9.

2002 - *A SINGLE SHARD* by Linda Sue Park

DB 53670

Tree-ear, an orphan in twelfth-century Korea, spends most of his time foraging for food for himself and Crane-man, an older companion.

Tree-ear takes advantage of a mishap in master potter Min's yard to become his apprentice, learning a craft and gaining unforeseen rewards. For grades 5-8.

2001 - A YEAR DOWN YONDER by Richard Peck

DB 51259

During the 1937 recession fifteen-year-old Mary Alice from Chicago is sent to live with feisty Grandma Dowdel in rural Illinois. There she learns about small-town ways and grows to love her grandmother. Sequel to A LONG WAY FROM CHICAGO (DB 50305, BR 12129). For grades 6-9.

2000 - BUD, NOT BUDDY by Christopher Paul Curtis

DB 49311

During the Great Depression, ten-year-old Bud, a motherless boy, runs away from his latest (bad) foster home in Flint, Michigan. He sets out for Grand Rapids in search of the man he believes to be his father--renowned bandleader Herman E. Calloway. For grades 4-7. Coretta Scott King Award.

1999 - HOLES by Louis Sachar

DB 47444

Stanley Yelnats IV finds himself in a detention center for possessing stolen property that he didn't take. While digging holes under the summer Texas sun, he sees a fellow inmate running away--and follows him. Legends, loyalty, and buried treasure are revealed as Stanley learns to survive. For grades 5-8.

1998 - OUT OF THE DUST by Karen Hesse

DB 46712

Told in free verse, an account of two years in the life of Billie Jo Kelby, who at thirteen loses her mother and new baby brother in a terrible accident for which she is partly to blame. Life in Oklahoma in the mid-1930s is difficult, and Billie Jo can no longer play the piano--her one solace in the past. She seeks a way to heal her father and herself. For grades 6-9.

1997 - THE VIEW FROM SATURDAY by E.L. Konigsburg

DB 43549

Mrs. Olinski is hard-pressed to explain how she selected the four students who will represent the sixth grade in the Academic Bowl. But her choice of the four calling themselves "The Souls" was excellent. As the students prepare and compete, each reveals a reason for being part of the team. For grades 4-6.

1996 - THE MIDWIFE'S APPRENTICE by Karen Cushman

DB 40833

The only name she has ever known is Brat. She does not know how old she is—probably twelve or thirteen; she has no family or home; and she is unwashed, hungry, and unloved. Brat is discovered sleeping in a dung heap by the town's midwife, who reluctantly gives her many jobs to do in return for a piece of dry bread and stale cheese. But Brat soon determines to become a midwife herself. For grades 6-9. 1995.

1995 - WALK TWO MOONS by Sharon Creech

DB 39621

A year ago, Sal's grieving mother left Sal and her father to visit Idaho and never returned. Sal's father has accepted that his wife is not coming back, but Sal has not. As she and her grandparents travel to Idaho to find her mother, Sal tells them "an extensively strange story" about her new friend Phoebe, whose mother also disappeared. And Sal gets to walk two moons in her mother's moccasins. For grades 3-6 and older readers.

1994 - THE GIVER by Lois Lowry

DB 37689

Jonas lives in a utopia: there is no hunger, no disease, no fear; the elderly are tenderly cared for, and every child has attentive parents. The society is uniformly run. Jonas eagerly awaits the Ceremony of Twelve, when twelve-year-olds receive assignments for their lifelong professions. He is selected to be the new Receiver of Memories. As such he learns of misery and pain, but also of joy and love. For grades 6-9 and older readers.

1993 - MISSING MAY by Cynthia Rylant

DB 36384

Orphaned at six and raised by an elderly West Virginia aunt and uncle with more devotion than money, Summer is twelve years old when Aunt May dies. While Summer's grief is profound, Uncle Ob seems unable to go on living without his beloved May; that is, until he decides that her presence lingers nearby and that somehow, he can contact her. Disappointed in his efforts, Uncle Ob comes to choose living over mourning. For grades 5-8.

1992 - SHILOH by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

DB 35064

Marty Preston, an eleven-year-old West Virginia boy, narrates a gripping account of how he comes to own a runaway dog, Shiloh. Fearing that Shiloh is being abused by Judd Travers, his owner, Marty takes him in. But his family cannot afford to feed another mouth, and Shiloh is returned. When Shiloh comes back to Marty, the boy hides him in the woods and builds a structure of lies that crumbles and compromises everyone. For grades 4-7.

1991 - MANIAC MAGEE by Jerry Spinelli

DB 33527

Part tall tale and part realistic fiction, this novel weaves together issues of homelessness, racial prejudice, and illiteracy. Orphaned at three, Jeffrey Magee, after eight unhappy years with relatives, takes off running one day. A year later he ends up 200 miles away in Two Mills, a highly segregated community. Magee, who is white, lives alternately with blacks and whites, proving the shared humanity of both. For grades 5-8

1990 - NUMBER THE STARS by Lois Lowry

DB 31580

For ten-year-old Annemarie, life in occupied Copenhagen in 1943 is not much changed by the war—until the Nazi persecution of Danish Jews begins. Annemarie's family helps a Jewish friend by having her pose as Annemarie's dead sister. When a packet must be taken to the captain of a ship smuggling Jews to Sweden, Annemarie learns that being brave means "not thinking about the dangers. Just thinking about what you must do." For grades 3-6 and older readers.

1989 - JOYFUL NOISE: POEMS FOR TWO VOICES by Paul Fleischman  
DB 28922

A collection of poems describing the activities and characteristics of grasshoppers, mayflies, cicadas, and other insects. For grades 3-6 and older readers.

1988 - LINCOLN: A PHOTOBIOGRAPHY by Russell Freedman  
DB 27881

A biography of the sixteenth president of the United States. Beginning life as a poor, backwoods farm boy in Kentucky, Indiana, and Illinois, Lincoln became a self-educated lawyer and Illinois state representative. He was elected president in 1860 and led the nation through the Civil War. He was assassinated in 1865. For grades 4-7 and older readers.

1987 - THE WHIPPING BOY by Sid Fleischman  
DB 25778

The arrogant and spiteful Prince Brat decides to run away from the castle, and he makes his whipping boy Jemmy go along. They get into trouble right away, but Jemmy's good sense manages to save the day. For grades 4-7.

1986 - SARAH, PLAIN AND TALL by Patricia MacLachlan  
DB 23524

Anna and Caleb have lived alone with their father since their mother died. When Sarah comes to live with them in response to their father's newspaper advertisement, the whole family falls in love with her. But they fear that Sarah's homesickness for the Maine coast will keep her from staying with them in their prairie home. For grades 3-6.

1985 - THE HERO AND THE CROWN by Robin McKinley  
DB 25926

With the guidance of a wizard and the help of the blue sword, Aerin fights for the birthright due her as the daughter of both a king and a witchwoman of the mysterious, demon-haunted north. For grades 6-9 and older readers.

1984 - DEAR MR. HENSHAW by Beverly Cleary

DB 21309

Leigh, a sixth-grade boy, writes letters to Mr. Henshaw, who has been his favorite author since second grade. Leigh begins writing the letters because of a school assignment, then he discovers that he likes writing, especially when Mr. Henshaw writes back. And Mr. Henshaw's surprising answers to Leigh's questions change the boy's life. For grades 4-7.

1983 - DICEY'S SONG by Cynthia Voigt

DB 21617

Dacey Tillerman, oldest of four abandoned children, wrestles with when to let go, when to hold on, and when to reach out as she and her brothers and sisters settle into living with their grandmother. Sequel to HOMECOMING. (DB 19862) For grades 6-9 and older readers.

1982 - A VISIT TO WILLIAM BLAKE'S INN: POEMS FOR INNOCENT AND EXPERIENCED TRAVELERS by Nancy Willard

DB 58664

A collection of magical poems about life at an imaginary inn staffed by two dragons, two angels, and a rabbit who shows to their rooms many curious visitors, including a man in a marmalade hat and the king of cats. For grades 2-4 and older readers.

1981 - JACOB HAVE I LOVED by Katherine Paterson

DB 59388

Louise has always lived in the shadow of her beautiful twin sister on a tiny Chesapeake Bay island. Tomboy Louise grows up hating delicate Caroline, who robs her of her friends, her hopes for schooling, and even the boy she loves. For junior and senior high readers

1980 - A GATHERING OF DAYS: A NEW ENGLAND GIRL'S JOURNAL, 1830-1832 by Joan W. Blos

DB 59476

Thirteen-year-old Catherine Hall, a New Hampshire farm girl, keeps a journal of everyday events such as quilting, berrying, and sugaring. She talks of her new stepmother from faraway Boston and reflects on her own daring to help a runaway slave. For grades 5-8 and older readers.

1979 - THE WESTING GAME by Ellen Raskin

DB 58350

The mysterious death of eccentric millionaire Samuel W. Westing brings together an unlikely assortment of heirs who must uncover the circumstances of his death before they may claim their inheritance. For grades 5-8.

1978 - BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA by Katherine Paterson

DB 12343

Jess finds his biggest rival and best friend in Leslie, a girl who moves to his rural Virginia community from the city. Together they create Terabithia, a secret kingdom in the woods where they reign supreme—until tragedy strikes. A haunting story for grades 5-8.

1977 - ROLL OF THUNDER, HEAR MY CRY by Mildred D. Taylor

DB 10893

A turbulent year in Mississippi during the Great Depression—a year of night riders, burnings, and threats. Cassie Logan, a young black girl, tells the story of her family's struggle to survive with their dignity and independence intact. For grades 6-9.

1976 - THE GREY KING by Susan Cooper

DB 50442

While visiting in Wales, Will Stanton is challenged to find a golden harp to rouse the sleepers needed for the battle against the Dark. Sequel to GREENWITCH (DB 50257). For grades 4-7 and older readers.

1975 - M.C. HIGGINS, THE GREAT by Virginia Hamilton

DB 36699

Thirteen-year-old M.C. hopes that a visiting folklorist will help his family escape the menace of a nearby strip mine by making his mama a recording star. For grades 6-9.

1974 - THE SLAVE DANCER by Paula Fox

DB 08551

Kidnapped from his home in New Orleans, 13-year-old Jessie Bollier is forced onto a slave ship where he must play his fife each day while the shackled enslaved people "dance" for exercise. For grades 5-up.

1973 - JULIE OF THE WOLVES by Jean Craighead George

DB 34451

Julie, a thirteen-year-old Eskimo girl, runs away rather than agree to an arranged marriage. Lost and starving on the barren tundra, she makes friends with a pack of wolves who save her life. For grades 5-8.

1972 - Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH by Robert C. O'Brien

DB 26785

The rats of NIMH live in Thorn Valley, a state forest. The mouse Timothy Frisby, on his way to their school, is joined by Racso, a city rat. Soon after their arrival crisis erupts. Developers are building a dam to turn the valley into a recreational lake. The rats work hard on an ingenious plan to destroy the project. Sequel to MRS. FRISBY AND THE RATS OF NIMH. For grades 3-6.

1971 - SUMMER OF THE SWANS by Betsy Byars

DB 23118

When a mentally retarded boy becomes lost in the mountains, his fourteen-year-old sister forgets her own teenage problems and gains new insights into herself and her family. For grades 4-7.

1970 - SOUNDER by William H. Armstrong

DB 22898

The mother and son of a black sharecropper family in the South struggle for survival when the sheriff arrests the father for stealing and shoots their devoted coon dog. For grades 5-8.

1969 - THE HIGH KING by Lloyd Alexander

DB 27715

In this final book in the Chronicles of Prydain, the assistant pig-keeper leads his companions on a last great quest. A tale of royal marriages and wars between black and white magic. Sequel to TARAN WANDERER. For grades 5-8.

1968 - FROM THE MIXED-UP FILES OF MRS. BASIL E. FRANKWEILER by E.L. Konigsburg

DB 22914

Claudia, feeling misunderstood at home, takes her younger brother and runs away to New York City where she sets up housekeeping in the Metropolitan Museum of Art. For grades 4-6.

1967 - UP A ROAD SLOWLY by Irene Hunt

DB 22915

With clear recall, Julie recounts growing up motherless from age seven to high school graduation. She relates the pains and high moments and describes her relationships, both happy and disappointing. For grades 6-9 and older readers.

1966 - I, JUAN DE PAREJA by Elizabeth Borton de Trevino

DB 23338

Velazquez, the great Spanish painter of the early seventeenth century, owned a black slave, Juan de Pareja, who narrates this story. The period forms a background for an array of characters, from a humble dwarf to famous artists and King Philip himself. Newbery Medal. For grades 6-9 and older readers.

1965 - SHADOW OF A BULL by Maia Wojciechowska

DB 23786

Everyone expects Manolo to become a great bullfighter like his father. But as he prepares to fight his first bull, Manolo realizes that he is afraid, and he begins to think that perhaps he does not want to be a matador at all. For grades 5-8.

1964 - IT'S LIKE THIS, CAT by Emily Neville

DB 22850

The story of a 14-year-old New York boy and his relationships with a stray tomcat, an eccentric old woman, a troubled older boy, his first female friend, and his father. For grades 5-8.

1963 - A WRINKLE IN TIME by Madeleine L'Engle

DB 09768

As Meg Murry and her friends search for Meg's scientist father who has vanished, they are transported to another world. For grades 5-8.

1962 - THE BRONZE BOW by Elizabeth George Speare

DB 17367

A young Jew joins a brutal band of outlaws to avenge the Roman soldiers who killed his parents and destroyed his home. The boy's consuming hatred orders his life until he meets a rabbi from Capernaum named Jesus. For grades 6-9 and older readers.

1961 - ISLAND OF THE BLUE DOLPHINS by Scott O'Dell

DB 22397

Accidentally left behind on an island off the coast of California when her tribe moved, an Indian girl tells about the eighteen years that she managed to survive and to find comfort, beauty, and, at times, joy in her solitude. For grades 6-9.

1960 - ONION JOHN by Joseph Krumgold

DB 18347

Andy Rusch befriends Onion John, the town's old odd-job man who lives near the city dump. Andy's father cannot understand Andy's affection for Onion John, and conflict develops when Mr. Rusch tries to reform Onion John. For grades 5-8.

1959 - THE WITCH OF BLACKBIRD POND by Elizabeth George Speare

DB 22927

When sixteen-year-old Kit Tyler tries to aid a woman accused of witchcraft in colonial New England, she herself is brought to trial as a suspect. Kit's young friend, Prudence, whom she has taught to read, and Nat, a sailor who has fallen in love with Kit, come to her defense. For grades 6-9 and older readers.

1958 - RIFLES FOR WATIE by Harold Keith

DB 16572

A carefree boy learns the cruelty and savagery of war when he is sent as a Union scout to spy on a Cherokee Indian regiment and find the source of their rifles. To his astonishment, he makes good friends among the enemy and falls in love with a beautiful part-Cherokee girl. For grades 6-9.

1957 - MIRACLES ON MAPLE HILL by Virginia Sorensen

DB 23479

As a newly returned POW, Marly's father has trouble adjusting to his old way of life. When the family moves to the country, Marly is thrilled by the magic of the changing seasons—and, eventually, by a similar change in her father. For grades 4-7.

1956 - CARRY ON, MR. BOWDITCH by Jean Lee Latham

DB 17659

A fictionalized biography of Nathaniel Bowditch, the American sailor who taught himself mathematics and astronomy and discovered a new method of celestial navigation that saved the lives of many seamen. Historical details are coupled with the romance and adventure of old Salem. For grades 6-9 and older readers.

1955 - THE WHEEL ON THE SCHOOL by Meindert De Jong

DB 23202

Long ago, the little Dutch village of Shora was full of friendly, lucky storks. But fierce storms drove the storks away, and they never returned. Six schoolchildren, with the help of their teacher, set out to bring the storks back to their village. For grades 4-7.

1954 - AND NOW MIGUEL by Joseph Krumgold

DB 23489

An introspective New Mexico youth tells of his great longing to accompany the men and sheep to summer pasture. Neither child nor man, he feels the need to be recognized as a maturing individual. For grades 5-8.

1953 - SECRET OF THE ANDES by Ann Nolan Clark

DB 11319

High up in a hidden valley in the Andes, an Inca boy whose identity is a mystery is chosen to know the secret of two ancient Inca treasures. For grades 5-8.

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1952 - GINGER PYE by Eleanor Estes

DB 58399

Ten-year-old Jerry Pye and his younger sister Rachel get a new puppy and name him Ginger. When Ginger disappears, the adventurous children set out to find him. They suspect the little dog has been spirited away by a mysterious stranger wearing a yellow hat. For grades 3-6.

1951 - AMOS FORTUNE, FREE MAN by Elizabeth Yates

DB 23596

Born an African prince, Amos Fortune was captured by slave traders when he was fifteen. He was sold in Boston, where he learned the tanner's trade. At age sixty, Amos was able to purchase his freedom and begin to save for the freedom of other slaves. For grades 4-7.

1950 - THE DOOR IN THE WALL by Marguerite De Angeli

DB 22885

A crippled boy in fourteenth-century England matures from whining invalidism to heroic courage when he saves a friend's castle from invasion by the Welsh. For grades 4-7.

1949 - KING OF THE WIND by Marguerite Henry

DB 16570

The story of a magnificent Arabian stallion and the little mute stable boy who cares for him faithfully across the seas to England and France. When King Louis XV of France rejects the gift of this stallion, he does not know that the horse will become the founder of a strain of thoroughbreds and ancestor of Man O' War. For grades 4-7 and older readers.

1948 - THE TWENTY-ONE BALLOONS by William Pene Du Bois

DB 23467

Professor Sherman sets off on a flight across the Pacific in a giant balloon, and three weeks later he is over the wrong ocean with too many balloons. The adventure is narrated by the professor with hilarious solemnity. For grades 4-7.

1947 - MISS HICKORY by Carolyn Sherwin Bailey

DB 22824

The adventures of Miss Hickory, a country doll made of an apple-wood twig with a hickory nut for a head, and her unusual neighbors. Left behind when her owner goes to school in Boston, Miss Hickory must spend the long New Hampshire winter alone. For grades 3-6.

1946 - STRAWBERRY GIRL by Lois Lenski

DB 15118

This regional story contrasts the lives of an industrious family of Florida Crackers struggling to make a living from their strawberry

patch, and the shiftless family who lives on the adjoining farm. For grades 4-7.

1945 - RABBIT HILL by Robert Lawson

DB 23114

When a new family moves into a big house which has been standing empty, they start an extra-large garden. The small animals rejoice because they really miss the garden they once depended on. For grades 3-6.

1944 - JOHNNY TREMAIN by Esther Forbes

DB 22808

After a burn severely cripples his right hand, Tremain becomes a courier for the Committee of Public Safety and a hero in the early days of the American Revolution. The excitement he experiences includes the Boston Tea Party and the Battle of Lexington. For grades 4-7.

1943 - ADAM OF THE ROAD by Elizabeth Gray Vining

DB 23486

Tale of a minstrel boy, Adam, who wandered through southeastern England in the thirteenth century. Adam's adventures in search of his beloved father and his lost dog lead him to London, Winchester, and Oxford. For grades 4-7.

1942 - THE MATCHLOCK GUN by Walter Edmonds

DB 57031

While his father is away fighting during the French and Indian War in 1756, ten-year-old Edward Van Alstyne helps his mother ward off an Indian attack by firing an ancient Spanish musket. For grades 3-6.

1941 - CALL IT COURAGE by Armstrong Sperry

DB 22825

Because he fears the ocean, a Polynesian boy is scorned by his people and must redeem himself by an act of courage. His lone and dangerous journey to a sacred island earns him the name Mafatu, "Stout Heart." For grades 4-7.

1940 - DANIEL BOONE by James Daugherty

DB 60235

Biography of the legendary frontiersman born in 1734. Describes the call of the West that led Daniel Boone to Kentucky and eventually to Missouri. Discusses his enjoyment of the wilderness, the company of Indians, and pioneering experiences. For grades 4-7 and older

1939 - THIMBLE SUMMER by Elizabeth Enright

DB 23207

One scorching day in the middle of a drought, Garnet Lindon finds a silver thimble which she believes to be magic. Good luck begins that night with a rainfall that saves her father's crops. For grades 4-7.

1938 - THE WHITE STAG by Kate Seredy

DB 23270

The legendary story of Attila the Hun and the founding of Hungary--of a white stag and red eagle leading a people to their promised land. For grades 5-8.

1937 - ROLLER SKATES by Ruth Sawyer

DB 23119

Lucinda is a lively, happy ten-year-old who spends her spare time exploring New York on roller skates. Her happy personality wins many friends, and her adventures reveal a picture of the city in 1890. For grades 4-7.

1936 - CADDIE WOODLAWN by Carol Ryrie Brink

DB 22917

Life is difficult for the Woodlawn family after they leave New England for the Wisconsin frontier in the 1860s, but 11-year-old Caddie loves the challenge of adjusting to pioneer life and making friends with the nearby Indians. For grades 4-7.

1935 - DOBRY by Monica Shannon

DB 23168

The author's memories of childhood in Bulgaria enhance this story of a young peasant boy who wants to be a sculptor. He is discouraged by his mother's opposition but nourished by his grandfather's support. For grades 4-7

1934 - INVINCIBLE LOUISA: THE STORY OF THE AUTHOR OF LITTLE WOMEN by Cornelia Meigs

DB 23477

A vivid portrait of Louisa May Alcott, who based the story of "Little Women" on her own life. For grades 4-7.

1933 - YOUNG FU OF THE UPPER YANGTZE by Elizabeth Lewis

DB 23364

Rogues and bandits seem to rule China during this turbulent time in the 1920s. But Young Fu has moved from his country home to the city, and he is determined to be an honest, hardworking coppersmith's apprentice. For grades 5-8.

1932 - WATERLESS MOUNTAIN by Laura Adams Armer

DB 16608

A poetic story of a contemporary Navajo boy in training as a Medicine Priest. His years of training in the ancient religion bring him many adventures: he guides some engineers to water on Waterless Mountain; he rescues a white boy lost in a sandstorm; and he finds ancient treasures hidden in a cave by his ancestors. For grades 5-8.

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1931 - THE CAT WHO WENT TO HEAVEN by Elizabeth Coatsworth

DB 10555

A three-colored cat brings good luck to a poor Japanese artist but forces him to make a difficult choice. For grades 4-7.

1930 - HITTY, HER FIRST HUNDRED YEARS by Rachel Field

DB 11649

Hitty, a doll of real character who was carved from a block of mountain ash, writes the story of her eventful life from the security of an antique shop window. For grades 4-7 and older readers.

1929 - THE TRUMPETER OF KRAKOW by Eric P. Kelly

DB 22916

The commemoration of an act of bravery and self-sacrifice in Krakow, Poland, saves the lives of a family two centuries later. For junior and senior high readers.

1928 - GAY-NECK, THE STORY OF A PIGEON by Dhan Gopal Mukerji  
DB 32318

A carrier-pigeon, raised by an Indian boy, is taught to fly messages for the Allies in France during World War I. Based on the author's own experiences as a boy in India. For grades 4-7 and older readers.

1927 - SMOKY, THE COW HORSE by Will James  
DB 23452

The life of a cow pony on the range and in the corral, told in the vernacular of the cowboy. For grades 6-9.

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