A Selection of Core Knowledge Recommended Trade Books

PRESCHOOL

Nursery Rhymes and Fables
- *A Treasury of Mother Goose*, by Hilda Offen ISBN 9780671501181

Animals & Habitats
- *Cactus Hotel*, by Brenda Z. Guiberson, Megan Lloyd ISBN 0805029605
- *In the Forest*, by Maurice Pledger ISBN 1571453210
- *Learning about Animals*, by Lo Ellen Moore ISBN 1557990972
- *Our Animal Friends at Maple Hill Farm*, by Alice Provensen, Martin Provensen ISBN 9780689844997
- *There’s a Rumble in the Jungle*, by Giles Andreea, David Wojtowycz ISBN 9781589253674

Me and My Body
- *Children Just Like Me*, by Anabel Kindersley ISBN 9780789402011
- *Fun with My Five Senses*, by Sarah Williamson ISBN 1885593191
- *People*, by Peter Spier ISBN 9780385244695
- *See, Hear, Touch, Taste, Smell*, by Melvin Berger ISBN 1567840094

School
- *Chrysanthemum*, by Kevin Henkes ISBN 9780688096991
- *Friends at School*, by Rochelle Bunnett ISBN 9781887734011
- *Hello, School Bus!*, by Marjorie Blaine Parker ISBN 9780439598897
- *If You Take a Mouse to School*, by Laura Numeroff ISBN 9780060283285
- *Kindergarten ABC*, by Jacqueline Rogers ISBN 9780439562126
- *This is the Way We Go to School*, by Edith Baer ISBN 9780590431620
- *Yoko*, by Rosemary Wells ISBN 0786803959

KINDERGARTEN

Nursery Rhymes and Fables
- *Professor Aesop’s The Crow and the Pitcher*, illustrated and interpreted by Stephanie Gwyn Brown (Tricycle, 2003) ISBN 1582460876
- *The Hare and the Tortoise*, retold and illustrated by Helen Ward (Millbrook Press, 1999) ISBN 0761309888

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The Five Senses

- **Get Up and Go!**, by Nancy Carlson (Penguin Group, 2008) ISBN 0142410640
- **Hearing (I Know That!)**, by Claire Llewellyn (Sea-to-Sea Publications, 2006) ISBN 1932889475
- **It Looked Like Spilt Milk**, by Charles Shaw (HarperTrophy, 1988) ISBN 0064431592
- **Mice Squeak, We Speak**, by Arnold L. Shapiro and illustrated by Tomie DePaola (Putnam Juvenile, 1997) ISBN 0399232028
- **Oh, the Things You Can Do That Are Good For You! All About Staying Healthy**, by Tish Rabe (Random House, Inc. 2001) ISBN 0375810986
- **Seven Blind Mice**, by Ed Young (Puffin Books, 2002) ISBN 0698118952
- **Smelling and Tasting (I Know That!)**, by Claire Llewellyn (Sea-to-Sea Publications, 2006) ISBN 1932889499
- **Touching (I Know That!)**, by Claire Llewellyn (Sea-to-Sea Publications, 2006) ISBN 1932889505
- **You Can't Smell a Flower with Your Ear! All About Your 5 Senses**, by Joanna Cole (Grosset & Dunlap, 1994) ISBN 0448404699
- **Your Five Senses**, by Melvin and Gilda Berger (Scholastic, 2003) ISBN 0439566886
Stories

- **Casey Jones**, by Allan Drummond (Farrar Straus and Giroux, 2001) ISBN 0374311757
- **Johnny Appleseed (Rookie Biographies)**, by Christin Ditchfield (Children’s Press, 2003) ISBN 0516278169
- **Little Red Riding Hood**, by Trina Schart Hyman (Holiday House, 1987) ISBN 0823406539
- **The Adventure of Momotaro, the Peach Boy (Kodansha Bilingual Children’s Classics)**, by Ralph F. McCarthy and illustrated by Ioe Saito (Kodansha International, 2000) ISBN 4770020988

Plants

- **Big Red Tomatoes**, by Pamela Graham (National Geographic Society, 2001) ISBN 0792292219
- **Daisy (Looking at Life Cycles)**, by Victoria Huseby (Smart Apple Media, 2009) ISBN 1599201795
- **From Bud to Blossom (Apples)**, by Gail Saunders-Smith (Capstone Press, 2000) ISBN 1560659513
- **How a Seed Grows (Let’s-Read-and-Find-Out Science 1)**, by Helene J. Jordan (HarperTrophy, 1992) ISBN 0064451070
- **I Am a Leaf (Hello Reader! Science, Level 1)**, by Jean Marzollo and Judith Moffatt (Cartwheel, 1999) ISBN 0590641204
- **I Am an Apple (Hello Reader! Science, Level 1)**, by Jean Marzollo and Judith Moffatt (Scholastic, 1997) ISBN 0590372238
- **I’m a Seed (Hello Reader! Science, Level 1)**, by Jean Marzollo and Judith Moffatt (Cartwheel, 1996) ISBN 0590265865
- **Johnny Appleseed (Rookie Biographies)**, by Christin Ditchfield (Children’s Press, 2003) ISBN 0516278169
- **Oak Tree (Looking at Life Cycles)**, by Victoria Huseby (Smart Apple Media, 2009) ISBN 1599201788
- **Peanuts**, Pamela Graham (National Geographic Society, 2001) ISBN 0792289633
- **Potatoes**, by Beatrice Duggan (National Geographic, 2003) ISBN 0792242653

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Good King Wenceslas, by John Neale (Eerdmans Books for Young Readers, 2005) ISBN 0802852090
Kermit the Hermit, by Bill Peete (Houghton-Mifflin, 1980) ISBN 0395296073
King Biggoods in the Bathtub, by Audrey and Don Wood (Harcourt Children's Books, 2005) ISBN 0152055783
The King's StiltS, by Dr. Seuss (Random House Books for Young Readers, 1939) ISBN 0394800820
The Queen's KnickS, by Nicholas Allan (Transworld Publishers, 2001) ISBN 0099413141
Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, by Jacob Grimm (Farrar, Straus, and Giroux, 1987) ISBN 0374468682

Seasons and Weather
Can You See the Wind? (Rookie Read-About Science), by Allan Fowler (Children's Press, 1999) ISBN 0516264796
The Cloud Book, by Tomie de Paola (Holiday House, 1975) ISBN 0823405311
Energy from the Sun (Rookie Read-About Science), by Allan Fowler (Children's Press, 1998) ISBN 0516262556
Fall (Thinking About the Seasons), by Clare Collinson (Sea-to-Sea Publications, 2011) ISBN 1597712590
Frederick, by Leo Lionni (Dragonfly Books, 1973) ISBN 0394826140
Frog and Toad All Year, by Arnold Lobel (HarperFestival, 1990) ISBN 1559942282
Four Seasons Make a Year, by Anne Rockwell and pictures by Megan Halsey (Walker & Company, 2004) ISBN 0802788331
The Lake, by Lily Richardson (National Geographic Society, 2003) ISBN 0792243498
Seasons (I Know That!), by Claire Llewellyn (Sea-to-Sea Publications, 2007) ISBN 1597710176
Spring (Thinking About the Seasons), by Clare Collinson (Sea-to-Sea Publications, 2011) ISBN 1597712606
Summer (Thinking About the Seasons), by Clare Collinson (Sea-to-Sea Publications, 2011) ISBN 1597712613
Watch the Sky, by Jacob Fink (National Geographic Society, 2001) ISBN 0792289234
Weather (I Know That!), by Claire Llewellyn (Sea-to-Sea Publications, 2007) ISBN 1597710206
Weather in the City, by George Wong (National Geographic Society, 2001) ISBN 0792289463
Weather: Rain or Shine (Science Starters), by Jim Pipe (Stargazer Books, 2008) ISBN 1596041301

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When a Storm Comes Up (Rookie Read-About Science), by Allan Fowler (Children’s Press, 1995) ISBN 0516460358
When Spring Comes, by Solomon Gordon (National Geographic Society, 2006) ISBN 0792242742
Winter (Thinking About the Seasons), by Clare Collinson (Sea-to-Sea Publishing, 2011) ISBN 1597712620
Winter Is Here, by Sid Webb (National Geographic Society, 2003) ISBN 0792242920

Columbus and the Pilgrims

Christopher Columbus, by Mary Dodson Wade (Children’s Press, 2003) ISBN 0516277693
Follow the Dream: The Story of Christopher Columbus, by Peter Sis (Knopf, 2003) ISBN 0679806288
Giving Thanks: The 1621 Harvest Feast, by Kate Waters and photographed by Russell Kendall (Scholastic, 2001) ISBN 0439243955
If You Sailed on the Mayflower in 1620, by Ann McGovern and illustrated by Anna DeVito (Scholastic, 1993) ISBN 0590451618
In 1492, by Jean Marzollo and illustrated by Steve Bjorkman (Scholastic, 1991) ISBN 0590444131
On the Mayflower, by Kate Waters and photographed by Russell Kendall (Scholastic, 1999) ISBN 0439099412
A Picture Book of Christopher Columbus, by David A. Adler (Holiday House, 1992) ISBN 082340949X
Samuel Eaton’s Day: A Day in the Life of a Pilgrim Boy, by Kate Waters and photographed by Russell Kendall (Scholastic, 1996) ISBN 0590480537
Sarah Morton’s Day: A Day in the Life of a Pilgrim Girl, by Kate Waters (Scholastic, 1993) ISBN 0590474006
The Seven Continents, by Wil Mara (Children’s Press, 2005) ISBN 0516225340
Tapenum’s Day: A Wampanoag Indian Boy in Pilgrim Times, by Kate Waters and photographed by Russell Kendall (Scholastic, 1996) ISBN 0590202375

Colonial Towns and Townspeople

Fun and Games in Colonial America, by Mark Thomas (Children’s Press, 2002) ISBN 0516234927
If You Lived in Williamsburg in Colonial Days, by Barbara Brenner and illustrated by Jennie Williams (Scholastic, 2000) ISBN 0590929224
Life in a Colonial Town (Picture the Past), by Sally Senzell Isaacs (Heinemann Library, 2001) ISBN 1588102971
OxCart Man, by Donald Hall and illustrated by Barbara Cooney (Puffin, 1983) ISBN 0140504419

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Taking Care of the Earth

- Caring for Earth, by Solomon Gordon (National Geographic Society, 2003) ISBN 0792243153
- I Am Water (Hello Reader! Level 1 Science), by Jean Marzollo and Judith Moffatt (Cartwheel, 1996) ISBN 0590265873
- The Lorax, by Dr. Seuss (Random House Books for Young Readers, 1971) ISBN 0394823370

Presidents and American Symbols

- Lincoln and Me, by Louise Borden and illustrated by Ted Lewin (Scholastic Paperbacks, 2009) ISBN 0439862779
- Abe Lincoln's Hat (Step into Reading, Step 2), by Martha Brenner (Random House Books for Young Readers, 1994) ISBN 0679849777
- Abraham Lincoln (Real People), by Pamela Walker (Children's Press, 2000) ISBN 0516235869
- George Washington's Teeth, by Deborah Chandra, Madeleine Comora, and Brock Cole (Square Fish, 2007) ISBN 0312376049
- The Legend of the Teddy Bear, by Frank Murphy (Sleeping Bear Press, 2000) ISBN 1585360139
- President Amanda's Whistle-Stop Trip, by Sue Pyatt (Imagination Station Press, 2005) ISBN 0974257516
- The Star-Spangled Banner, illustrated by Peter Spier (Dragonfly Books, 1973) ISBN 0440406976
- What To Do About Alice?, by Barbara Kerley (Scholastic Press, 2008) ISBN 0439922313

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Fables and Stories

- *Peter Rabbit's Giant Storybook (World of Peter Rabbit and Friends)*, by Beatrix Potter (Warne, 2000) ISBN 0723245835
- *Señor Cat's Romance and Other Favorite Stories from Latin America*, retold by Lucia M. Gonzalez (Scholastic, 2001) ISBN 0439278638

The Human Body

- *Germs Make Me Sick!*, by Melvin Berger (Scott Foresman, 1995) ISBN 0064451542
- *Oh, the Things You Can Do That Are Good For You!* by Tish Rabe and illustrated by Aristides Ruiz (Random House, Inc., 2001) ISBN 0375810986

Different Lands, Similar Stories

- Little Red-Cap, by Grimm Brothers (Minedition, 2006) ISBN 0698400535
- Thumbelina, adapted by Brad Sneed (Dial Books for Young Readers, 2004) ISBN 0803728127

Early World Civilizations

- Ancient Mesopotamia (Let’s See Library), by Cynthia Klingel and Robert B. Noyed (Compass Point Books, 2002) ISBN 0756502942
- Bill and Pete Go Down the Nile, by Tomie DePaola (The Putnam and Grosset Group, 1987) ISBN 0698114019
- Celebrate Hanukkah With Light, Latkes and Dreidels, by Deborah Heiligman (National Geographic, 2006) ISBN 0792259254
- Egypt (Civilizations Past to Present), by Kevin Supples (National Geographic School Publishing, 2002) ISBN 0792286871
- Egyptian Gods and Goddesses (All Aboard Reading), by Henry Barker (Grosset and Dunlap, 1999) ISBN 0448420295
- Egyptians (Beginners’ Social Studies), by Stephanie Turnbull (Usborne Books, 2007) ISBN 0794513441
- Jesus, by Brian Wildsmith (Eerdmans Books for Young Readers, 2000) ISBN 0802852122
- Mummies in the Morning (Magic Tree House #3), by Mary Pope Osborne (Random House Books for Young Readers, 1993) ISBN 0679824244

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☐ *My Muslim Year*, by Cath Senker (Wayland, 2003) ISBN 0750240536
☐ *One World, Many Religions: The Ways We Worship*, by Mary Pope Osborne (Knopf Books for Young Readers, 1996) ISBN 0679839305
☐ *Rivers and Lakes (The Land Around Us)*, by Mary Tull (National Geographic Society, 2004) ISBN 079224561X
☐ *Season of the Sandstorms (Magic Tree House, No. 34)*, by Mary Pope Osborne and Sal Murdocca (Random House Books for Young Readers, 2006) ISBN 0375830324
☐ *The Parables of Jesus*, illustrated by Tomie de Paola (Holiday House, Inc., 1995) ISBN 0823411962

**Early American Civilizations**

☐ *Rain Player*, by David Wisniewski (Sandpiper, 1995) ISBN 0395720834
☐ *This Place Is High: The Andes Mountain of South America*, by Vicki Cobb (Walker, 1993) ISBN 0802774067

**Mozart and Music**

☐ *Mozart (Famous Children Series)*, by Ann Rachlin (Barron’s, 1992) ISBN 0812049896
Mozart, by Wendy Lynch (Heinemann, 2000) ISBN 1575722194
Play, Mozart, Play!, by Peter Sis (Children’s Press, 2001) ISBN 0516271946
Woodwind (Musical Instruments), by Wendy Lynch (Heinemann, 2002) ISBN 1588102378 (This book is part of a series. You may wish to get the other books on keyboard, percussion, brass, and strings.)

Astronomy
If You Decide to Go to the Moon, by Faith McNulty and illustrated by Steven Kellogg (Scholastic Press, 2005) ISBN 0590483595
Midnight on the Moon (Magic Tree House, No. 8), by Mary Pope Osborne and Sal Murdocca (Random House Books for Young Readers, 1996) ISBN 0679863745
My Book of Space, by Ian Graham (Kingfisher, 2001) ISBN 0753453991
Stargazers, by Gail Gibbons (Holiday House, 1999) ISBN 0823415074
The Sun, by Anita Garmon (National Geographic Society, 2002) ISBN 0792285093
There’s No Place Like Space! All About Our Solar System, by Tish Rabe and illustrated by Aristedes Ruiz (Random House Inc., 1999) ISBN 0679891153

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What the Moon is Like (Let’s-Read-and-Find-Out-Science, Stage 2), by Franklyn M. Branley and illustrated by True Kelley (HarperCollins, 2000) ISBN 0064451852

Wynken, Blynken, and Nod, by Eugene W. Field and illustrated by Giselle Potter (Schwartz & Wade, 2008) ISBN 0375841962

The History of the Earth


How to Dig a Hole to the Other Side of the Earth, by Faith McNulty (HarperCollins, 1992) ISBN 0874992338

If You Find a Rock, by Peggy Christian (Sandpiper, 2008) ISBN 0152063544


Mountains of Fire, by Lily Richardson (National Geographic Society, 2003) ISBN 0792242831


Rocks in His Head, by Carol Otis Hurst and James Stevenson (HarperCollins, 2001) ISBN 0060294035


Soil, by George Wong (National Geographic Society, 2001) ISBN 0792289611

Sunset of the Sabertooth (Magic Tree House, No. 7), by Mary Pope Osborne and Sal Murdocca (Random House Books for Young Readers, 1996) ISBN 0679863737


Volcanoes (Let’s-Read-and-Find-Out Science 2), by Franklyn M. Branley and Megan Lloyd (Collins, 2008) ISBN 0064451895

Volcanoes: Mountains That Blow Their Tops, by Nicholas Nigriotis (Grosset and Dunlap, 1996) ISBN 0448411431

Animals and Habitats


Afternoon on the Amazon (Magic Tree House, No. 6), by Mary Pope Osborne and Sal Murdocca (Random House Books for Young Readers, 1995) ISBN 0375823778


Buffalo Before Breakfast (Magic Tree House, No. 18), by Mary Pope Osborne and Sal Murdocca (Random House, 1999) ISBN 0679890645


Desert Giant: The World of the Saguro Cactus (Tree Tales), by Barbara Bash (Sierra Club Books for Children, 2002) ISBN 1578050855

Dingoes at Dinnertime (Magic Tree House, No. 20), by Mary Pope Osborne and Sal Murdocca (Random House Books for Young Readers, 2000) ISBN 0679890661


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- **Dolphins at Daybreak (Magic Tree House, No. 9)**, by Mary Pope Osborne and Sal Murdocca (Random House Books for Young Readers, 1997) ISBN 067988338X
- **Good Morning, Gorillas (Magic Tree House, No. 26)**, by Mary Pope Osborne and Sal Murdocca (Random House Books for Young Readers, 2002) ISBN 0375806148
- **Here is the African Savanna (Web of Life)**, by Madeleine Dunphy (Web of Life Children’s Books, 2006) ISBN 0977379523
- **Here is the Arctic Winter (Web of Life)**, by Madeleine Dunphy (Web of Life Children’s Books, 2007) ISBN 0977753913
- **Here is the Coral Reef (Web of Life)**, by Madeleine Dunphy (Web of Life Children’s Book, 2006) ISBN 097737954X
- **How to Hide an Octopus and Other Sea Creatures (All Aboard Book)**, by Ruth Heller (Grosset and Dunlap, 1992) ISBN 0448404788
- **Life in a Wetland (Living in a Biome)**, by Carol K. Lindeen (Capstone Press, 2006) ISBN 0736834052
- **Lions at Lunchtime (Magic Tree House, No. 11)**, by Mary Pope Osborne and Sal Murdocca (Random House Books for Young Readers, 1998) ISBN 0679883401
- **Oil Spill! (Soar to Success)**, by Melvin Berger (Houghton Mifflin Company, 2006) ISBN 0395779138
- **Seven Continents**, by Elaine Morris (National Geographic Society, 2003) ISBN 0792243684
- **Starfish (Let's-Read-and-Find-Out-Science)**, by Edith Thacher Hurd and illustrated by Robin Brickman (HarperTrophy, 2000) ISBN 0064451984
- **The Arctic Habitat**, by Mary Aloian and Bobbie Kalman (Crabtree Publishing Company, 0778729818
- **Tigers at Twilight (Magic Tree House, No. 19)**, by Mary Pope Osborne and Sal Murdocca (Random House Books for Young Readers, 1999) ISBN 0679890653
- **What is a Carnivore?**, by Bobbie Kalman (Crabtree Publishing Company, 2008) ISBN 9780778732945
- **What is Hibernation?**, by John Crossingham and Bobbie Kalman (Crabtree Publishing Company, 2002) ISBN 0865059640
- **What Lives in a Tide Pool?**, by Lily Richardson (National Geographic Society, 2003) ISBN 0792243374

### Fairy Tales
- **Jack and the Beanstalk**, retold by Carol Ottolenghi (School Specialty, 2003) ISBN 0769638163
- **Kate and the Beanstalk**, by Mary Pope Osborne (Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2000) ISBN 0689825507

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The recommended books:

- **The Princess and the Pea**, adapted by Janet Stevens (Holiday House, 1982) ISBN 9780823407538

The Birth of Our Nation:

- **A Picture Book of Benjamin Franklin**, by David A. Adler (Holiday House, 1991) ISBN 0823408825
- **A Picture Book of Paul Revere**, by David A. Adler (Holiday House, 1997) ISBN 0823412946
- **Now and Ben: The Modern Inventions of Benjamin Franklin**, by Gene Barretta (Square Fish, 2008) ISBN 0312535694
- **Revolutionary War on Wednesday (Magic Tree House #22)**, by Mary Pope Osborne (Random House Books for Young Readers, 2000) ISBN 0679890683
- **The Bald Eagle (Symbols of Freedom)**, by Tristan Boyer Binns (Heinemann, 2001) ISBN 1588104028
- **Yankee Doodle (A Revolutionary Tail)**, by Gary Chalk (Dorling Kindersley, Inc., 1993) ISBN 1564582027

Frontier Explorers:

- **Ghost Town at Sundown (Magic Tree House, #10)**, by Mary Pope Osborne (Random House Books for Young Readers, 1997) ISBN 0679883398

GRADE 2

Fairy Tales and Tall Tales
Mike Fink, adapted by Stephen Krensky (Lerner Publishing Group, Inc., 2007) ISBN 9781575058917
Swamp Angel, by Anne Isaacs (Penguin Group, 1994) ISBN 0140559086
The Bunyans, by Audrey Wood (Scholastic Inc., 1996) ISBN 0439812143
The Emperor’s New Clothes, by Alison Edgson (Child’s Play Ltd, 2007) ISBN 9781846430206
The Emperor’s New Clothes, retold by Susanna Davidson (Usborne Publishing Ltd., 2005) ISBN 0794510574
The Fisherman and His Wife, by the Brothers Grimm (Creative Editions, 2001) ISBN 1568461402
The Fisherman and His Wife, retold and illustrated by Rachel Isadora (G. P. Putnam’s Sons, 2008) ISBN 0399247718
The Magic Fish, by Freya Littledale (Scholastic Inc., 1985) ISBN 0590411004
The Principal’s New Clothes, by Stephanie Calmenson (Scholastic Inc., 1989) ISBN 0590447785

Early Asian Civilizations
Diwali (Celebrations in My World), by Kate Torpie (Crabtree Publishing Company, 2009) ISBN 0778743004
Diwali: A Festival of Lights and Fun, by Manisha Kumar and Monica Kumar (MeeraMasi, 2006) ISBN 9780977364572
Imperial China (Ms. Frizzle’s Adventures), by Joanna Cole (Scholastic Inc., 2005) ISBN 0590108239
Look What Came from China, by Miles Harvey (Franklin Watts, 1998) ISBN 0531159361
Ming Lo Moves the Mountain, by Arnold Lobel (Greenwillow Books, 1982) ISBN 0688109950
One Grain of Rice, by Demi (Scholastic Press, 1997) ISBN 059093998X
Seven Blind Mice, by Ed Young (Puffin Books, 2002) ISBN 0698118952
Stories from India, by Anna Milbourne (Usborne Publishing Ltd., 2005) ISBN 0794511511
The Diwali Story, by Anita Ganeri (Cherrytree Books) ISBN 9781842344330
The Emperor and the Kite, by Jane Yolen (Putnam & Grosset Group, 1998) ISBN 0698116445
The Seven Chinese Brothers, by Margaret Mahy (Scholastic Inc., 1990) ISBN 0590420577

Cycles in Nature
Bean, by Barrie Watts (Smart Apple Media, an imprint of Black Rabbit Books, 2005) ISBN 1583405038
Bean, by David M. Schwartz (Creative Teaching Press, 1999) ISBN 9781574715804
Butterflies and Caterpillars (Animals and Their Babies), by Anita Ganeri (Smart Apple Media, 2007) ISBN 1583408087
Butterfly (How Does it Grow?), by Jinny Johnson (Smart Apple Media, 2010) ISBN 9781599203522
Daisy (Looking at Life Cycles), by Victoria Huseby (Smart Apple Media, 2009) ISBN 1599201798
Day and Night (I Know That!), by Claire Llewellyn (Sea-to-Sea Publications, 2007) ISBN 1597710180
Food and Digestion, by Andrew Solway (Sea-to-Sea Publications, 2011) ISBN 9781597712644
Frogs (How Does it Grow?), by Jinny Johnson (Smart Apple Media, 2010) ISBN 1599203553
Frogs (Windows on Literacy), by Norman Yu (National Geographic Society, 2003) ISBN 0792243595
Frogs and Tadpoles (Animals and Their Babies), by Anita Ganeri (Smart Apple Media, 2007) ISBN 1583408096
From Beginning to End (A Song About Life Cycles), by Laura Purdie Salas (Picture Window Books, 2009) ISBN 1404852938
From Seed to Daisy: Following the Life Cycle, by Laura Purdie Salas (Picture Window Books, 2009) ISBN 9781404849198
From Seed to Maple Tree: Following the Life Cycle, by Laura Purdie Salas (Picture Window Books, 2009) ISBN 1404849319
From Seed to Plant, by Gail Gibbons (Holiday House, 1991) ISBN 0823410250
From Seed to Sunflower, by Dr. Gerald Legg (Franklin Watts, 1998) ISBN 0531153347
From Tadpole to Frog, by Wendy Pfeffer (HarperCollins, 1994) ISBN 0064451232
Hibernation (Nature's Cycles), by Mel Higgison (Rourke Publishing LLC, 2007) ISBN 1600441777
How Animals Grow (I Know That!), by Claire Llewellyn (Sea-to-Sea Publications, 2007) ISBN 9781597710220
Oak Tree (How Does it Grow?), by Jinny Johnson (Smart Apple Media, 2010) ISBN 9781599203560
Oak Tree (Looking at Life Cycles), by Victoria Huseby (Smart Apple Media, 2009) ISBN 9781599201788
Spring Thaw, by Steven Schnur (Viking, 2000) ISBN 0670879614
Sunflower (Watch it Grow), by Barrie Watts (Smart Apple Media, 2003) ISBN 1583402322
The Amazing Silkworm, by Monica Halpern (National Geographic Society, 2002) ISBN 0792285158
The Digestive System, by Christine Taylor-Butler (Scholastic, Inc., 2008) ISBN 0531207315
The Gift of the Tree, by Alvin Tresselt (Lothrup, Lee & Shepherd, 1992) ISBN 0688106846
The Life Cycle of an Oak Tree, by Linda Tagliaferro (Capstone Press, 2007) ISBN 0736867112
The Quest to Digest, by Mary K. Corcoran (Charlesbridge, 2006) ISBN 1570916640
This Is the Ocean, by Kersten Hamilton (Boyds Mills Press, 2001) ISBN 1563978903
Water (Nature's Cycles) [Spanish & English], by Dana Meachen Rau (Marshall Cavenson Corporation, 2010) ISBN 9780761447924
Wet All Over (The Magic School Bus), by Joanna Cole (Scholastic Inc., 1996) ISBN 0590508334
When Autumn Comes, by Robert Maass (Henry Holt and Company, LLC, 1990)

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The Ancient Greek Civilization
- *The Greeks (Starting History)*, by Sally Hewitt (Smart Apple Media, 2008) ISBN 9781599200453

Greek Myths

Insects
- *Are you a Bee?*, by Judy Allen (Kingfisher, 2000) ISBN 0753458044
- *Are you a Dragonfly?*, by Judy Allen and Tudor Humphries (Kingfisher, 2001) ISBN 0753458051
- *Are you an Ant?*, by Judy Allen (Kingfisher, 2002) ISBN 0753458037
- *Can you see an insect?*, by Felix James (National Geographic Society, 2001) ISBN 0792289315
Grasshoppers, by Margaret Hall (Capstone Press, 2005) ISBN 0736850964
Helpful and Harmful Insects, by Molly Aloian and Bobbie Kalman (Crabtree Publishing Company, 2005) ISBN 0778723410
Hey, Little Ant, by Phillip and Hannah Hoose (Tricycle Press, 1998) ISBN 1883672546
How to Hide a Butterfly, by Ruth Heller (Grosset & Dunlap, 1992) ISBN 044840477X
Inside an Ant Colony, by Allan Fowler (Children's Slade, 1998) ISBN 051626365X
On Beyond Bugs! by Tish Rabe (Random House, 1999) ISBN 0679873037
The Very Quiet Cricket, by Eric Carle (Penguin Group, 1990) ISBN 0399218858

Westward Expansion
A Picture Book of Davy Crockett, by David A. Adler (Holiday House, 1996) ISBN 0823413434
A Picture Book of Lewis and Clark, by David A. Adler (Holiday House, 2003) ISBN 0823417956
Buffalo Before Breakfast (Magic Tree House, No. 18), by Mary Pope Osborne and Sal Murdocca (Random House, 1999) ISBN 0679890645
Buffalo Bill and the Pony Express, by Eleanor Coerr (Harper Trophy, 1995) ISBN 0064442206
Ghost Town at Sundown (Magic Tree House, No. 10), by Mary Pope Osborne (Random House Books for Young Readers, 1997) ISBN 0679883398
Go West!, by Reyna Eisenstark (National Geographic Society, 2006) ISBN 0792254465
If You Lived With the Cherokee, by Peter and Connie Roop (Scholastic Inc., 1998) ISBN 059095606X
If You Traveled West in a Covered Wagon, by Ellen Levine (Scholastic Inc., 1992) ISBN 0590451588
If You Were a Pioneer on the Prairie, by Anne Kamma (Scholastic Inc., 2003) ISBN 0439414288
Life in the West (A True Book), by Teresa Domnauer (Scholastic Inc., 2010) ISBN 0531212467
Life on a Pioneer Homestead (Picture the Past), by Sally Senzell Isaacs (Heinemann Library, 2001) ISBN 1588103000
Life on the Oregon Trail (Picture the Past), by Sally Senzell Isaacs (Heinemann Library, 2001) ISBN 1575723174

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- *Railroad!: A Story of the Transcontinental Railroad*, by Darice Bailer (Soundprints Division of Trudy Corporation, 2003) ISBN 1592490174
- *They’re Off!: The Story of the Pony Express*, by Cheryl Harness (Aladdin Paperbacks, 2002) ISBN 0689805233
- *Twister on Tuesday (Magic Tree House, No. 23)*, by Mary Pope Osborne and Sal Murdocca (Random House Books for Young Readers, 2001) ISBN 0679890696

**The U.S. Civil War**
- *A Picture Book of Frederick Douglass*, by David A. Adler (Holiday House, 1993) ISBN 0823412059
- *Abe Lincoln Goes to Washington*, by Cheryl Harness (National Geographic Society, 1997) ISBN 1426304361
- *If You Lived When There Was Slavery in America*, by Anne Kamma (Scholastic Inc., 2004) ISBN 0439567068
- *Just a Few Words, Mr. Lincoln: The Story of the Gettysburg Address*, by Jean Fritz (Grosset & Dunlap, 2008) ISBN 0448401703

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The Civil War, by Tim Paulsen (National Geographic Society, 2006) ISBN 0792254430
The Real McCoy, by Wendy Towe (Scholastic Inc., 1993) ISBN 0590481029

Immigration
Chinese Immigration (Immigration to the United States), by Murray Pile (National Geographic Society, 2005) ISBN 0792247515
Coming to America: The Story of Immigration, by Betsy Maestro and illustrated by Susannah Ryan (Scholastic Inc., 1996) ISBN 0590441515
If You Were There When They Signed the Constitution, by Elizabeth Levy (Scholastic Inc., 2006) ISBN 9780590405195
If Your Name Was Changed at Ellis Island, by Ellen Levine (Scholastic Inc., 2006) ISBN 9780590438292
Irish Immigration (Immigration to the United States), by Murray Pile (National Geographic Society, 2005) ISBN 0792247507
Lily and Miss Liberty, by Carla Stevens (Scholastic Paperbacks, 1993) ISBN 0590449206
Mexican Immigration (Immigration to the United States), by Murray Pile (National Geographic Society, 2005) ISBN 0792247523
The Copper Lady, by Alice and Kent Ross (Millbrook Press, 1997) ISBN 0876149603
The Flag We Love, by Pam Muñoz Ryan and illustrated by Ralph Masiello (Charlesbridge Publishing, Inc. 1996) ISBN 0881068454
The Keeping Quilt, by Patricia Polacco (Simon & Schuster, 1988) ISBN 9780689820908
The Memory Coat, by Elvira Woodruff (Scholastic Press, 1999) ISBN 0590677179
This Land Is Your Land, words and music by Woody Guthrie (Little, Brown and Company, 2008) ISBN 9780316042727
We the Kids, illustrated and foreword by David Catrow (Puffin Books, 2002) ISBN 0142402761

Fighting for a Cause
A Picture Book of Eleanor Roosevelt, by David A. Adler (Holiday House, 1991) (Paperback) ISBN 0823411575
A Picture Book of Jackie Robinson, by David A. Adler (Holiday House, 1994) ISBN 0823413047
A Picture Book of Martin Luther King, Jr., by David A. Adler (Holiday House, 1990) ISBN 9780823408474
A Picture Book of Rosa Parks, by David A. Adler (Holiday House, 1993) ISBN 082341177X
A Sweet Smell of Roses, by Angela Johnson (Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2005) ISBN 0689832524
Amazing Grace, by Mary Hoffman (Dial Books for Young Readers, 1991) ISBN 0803710402
Amelia and Eleanor Go for a Ride, by Pam Muñoz Ryan (Scholastic Inc., 1999) ISBN 9780590960755

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Cesar Chavez, by Lucile Davis (Capstone Press, 1998) ISBN 0736884254
Elizabeth Leads the Way (Elizabeth Cady Stanton and the Right to Vote), by Tanya Lee Stone (Henry Holt and Company, LLC., 2008) ISBN 0805079033
Heroes for Civil Rights, by David A. Adler (Holiday House, 2008) ISBN 0823420086
I Am Rosa Parks, by Rosa Parks (Puffin, 1999) ISBN 0141307102
I Have a Dream, Too!, by Jean Alicia Elster (Judson Press, 2002) ISBN 0817013970
If You Lived When Women Won Their Rights, by Anne Kamma (Scholastic Inc., 2006) ISBN 0439748690
March On! The Day My Brother Martin Changed the World, by Christine King Farris (Scholastic, Inc., 2008) ISBN 0545035376
Martin Luther King Jr. and His Birthday, by Jacqueline Woodson (Silver Press, 1990) ISBN 0671691066
Martin’s Big Words: The Life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., by Doreen Rappaport (Jump at the Sun/Hyperion Books for Children, 2001) ISBN 9781424310635
My Brother Martin, by Christine King Farris (Aladdin, 2005) ISBN 0689843887
Rosa, by Nikki Giovanni (Square Fish, 2005) ISBN 0312376022
Susan B. Anthony, by Lucia Raatma (Compass Point Books, 2001) ISBN 0756500699
The Ballot Box Battle, by Emily Arnold McCully (Alfred A. Knopf, 1996) ISBN 0679893121
The Other Side, by Jacqueline Woodson (J.P. Putnam’s Sons, 2001) ISBN 0399231161
The Story of Ruby Bridges, by Robert Coles (Scholastic Inc., 1995) ISBN 9780439598446
When Marian Sang, by Pam Muñoz Ryan (Scholastic Press, 2002) ISBN 9780439269674

GRADE 3

Classic Tales: The Wind in the Willows

A Forest Habitat, by Bobbie Kalman (Crabtree Publishing Co., 2007) ISBN 9780778729792
Living Near a River (Rookie: Read-About Geography), by Allan Fowler (Children’s Press, 2000) ISBN 0516270524
The Tree in the Ancient Forest, by Carol Reed-Jones (Dawn Publications, 1995) ISBN 1883220319
The Wind in the Willows, retold from the Kenneth Grahame original by Martin Woodside (Sterling Publishing, Co., Inc., 2007) ISBN 9781402736964
The Wind in the Willows, retold from the Kenneth Grahame original by Martin Woodside (Sterling Publishing, Co., Inc., 2007) ISBN 9781402736964
The Wind in the Willows: #2 The Open Road, adapted by Laura Driscoll (Sterling Publishing Co., Inc., 2006) ISBN 1402732945

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Astronomy

Astronomy (Amazing Science Discovery), by Dr. Bryson Gore (Stargazer Books, 2009) ISBN 9781596041998
Big and Busy Space, by Roger Priddy (St. Martin’s Press, 2008) ISBN 0312506872
Black Holes, by Dana Meachen Rau (Compass Point Books, 2007) ISBN 9780756510954
Comets, by Melanie Chrismer (Scholastic, Inc., 2008) ISBN 0531146944
Comets, Stars, the Moon, and Mars, by Douglas Florian (Harcourt, Inc., 2007) ISBN 9780152053727
DK First Space Encyclopedia, by Caroline Bingham (Dorling Kindersley Limited, 2008) ISBN 9780756633660
Gravity is a Mystery, by Franklyn M. Branley (HarperCollins Publishers, 2007) ISBN 0064452018
If You Decide to Go to the Moon, by Faith McNulty (Scholastic Inc., 2005) ISBN 9780590483599
My Book of Space, by Ian Graham (Kingfisher, 2001) ISBN 9780753453995
My First Book of Space, by Rosanna Hansen and Robert A. Bell (Simon and Schuster Books for Young Readers, 1985) ISBN 0671602624
Nicolaus Copernicus: The Earth is a Planet, by Dennis Brindell Fradin (Mondo Publishing, 2003) ISBN 1593360061
Roaring Rockets, by Tony Mitton (Kingfisher, 1997) ISBN 9780753453056
Stars (A True Book), by Ker Than (Scholastic Inc., 2010) ISBN 9780531228067
Stars (Jump into Science), by Steve Tomecek (National Geographic Society, 2003) ISBN 079225581X
Sun, Moon and Stars, by Stephanie Turnbull (Usborne Publishing Ltd., 2007) ISBN 9780794513993
The Best Book of Spaceships, by Ian Graham (Kingfisher, 1998) ISBN 9780753461679

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There's No Place Like Space!, by Tish Rabe (Random House, Inc., 2009) ISBN 9780679891154
What the Moon is Like, by Franklyn M. Branley (McRae Books, 2000) ISBN 0064451852

The Ancient Roman Civilization

Ancient Roman Clothes (Ancient Communities: Roman Life), by Paul Harrison (The Rosen Publishing Group, 2010) ISBN 9781615323081
Ancient Rome (Back to Basics), by Loredana Agosta and Anna McRae (McRae Books, 2008) ISBN 9788860980540
Ancient Rome and Pompeii, by Mary Pope Osborne and Natalie Pope Boyce (Scholastic Inc., 2006) ISBN 9780439895002

Conquest! Can You Build a Roman City? (Step Into History), by Julia Bruce (Enslow Elementary, 2009) ISBN 9780766034785
Food and Cooking in Ancient Rome (Cooking in World Cultures), by Clive Gifford (The Rosen Publishing Group, 2010) ISBN 9781615323630

Julius Caesar: The Boy Who Conquered an Empire, by Ellen Galford (National Geographic, 2007) ISBN 9781426300646
Life and Times in Ancient Rome: Baths, Banquets, and Businesses in Imperial Rome, by Conrad Mason and Jonathan Stroud (Kingfisher, 2007) ISBN 9780753461518
Pompeii: One Roman City, One House... More Than 2000 Years of Change (Through Time), by Richard Platt and Manuela Cappon (Kingfisher, 2007) ISBN 9780753460443

Pompeii...Buried Alive!, by Edith Kunhardt and Michael Eagle (Random House, 1987) ISBN 0394888669
Roman Amphitheaters, by Don Nardo (Franklin Watts, 2002) ISBN 0531120368
Romans (Children in History), by Fiona Macdonald (Sea-to-Sea Publications, 2011) ISBN 9781597712712
Rome (Ancient Civilizations), by Greg Banks (National Geographic Society, 2007) ISBN 9781426351631
Rome (Civilizations Past to Present), by Kevin Supples (National Geographic Society, 2005) ISBN 0792286812
Rome (Stories from Ancient Civilizations), by ShahrUK Husain (Smart Apple Media, 2005) ISBN 1583406204
Romulus and Remus (Ready-To-Read), by Anne Rockwell (Ready-to-Read Aladdin Paperbacks, 1997) ISBN 9780688981290
Romulus and Remus, by Melissa Fitzgerald (Teacher Created Materials, Inc., 2010) ISBN 9781433311529
Light and Sound

- **Alexander Graham Bell: An Inventive Life**, by Elizabeth MacLeod (Scholastic Inc., 1999) ISBN 0439130468
- **Did You Invent the Phone Alone, Alexander Graham Bell?**, by Melvin and Gilda Berger (Scholastic Inc., 2007) ISBN 0439833817
- **Experiments with Light and Sound**, by Trevor Cook (The Rosen Publishing Group, Inc., 2009) ISBN 9781435828087
- **Light and Color (Making Sense of Science)**, by Peter Riley (Smart Apple Media, 2005) ISBN 1583407154
- **Light and Dark (Science Alive)**, by Terry Jenkins (Smart Apple Media, 2009) ISBN 9781599202709
- **Light and Sound (Real World Science)**, by John Clark (Gareth Stevens Publishing, 2006) ISBN 0836863062
- **Light and Sound (Science Fact Files)**, by Steve Parker (Raintree Steck-Vaughn Publishers, 2001) ISBN 0739810111
- **Light and Sound**, by Dr. Mike Goldsmith (Kingfisher Publications, 2007) ISBN 9780753462812
- **Sound**, by Terri Jennings (Smart Apple Media, 2009) ISBN 9781599202754
- **Sounds and Vibrations (Making Sense of Science)**, by Peter Riley (Smart Apple Media, 2005) ISBN 1583407189
- **What’s Faster than a Speeding Cheetah?**, by Robert E. Wells (Albert Whitman and Company, 2007) ISBN 9780807522813
- **Why Do We See Rainbows?**, by Melissa Stewart (Marshall Cavendish Corporation, 2009) ISBN 9780761429197

The Vikings and Norse Myths

- **Adventures with the Vikings (Good Times Travel Agency)**, by Linda Bailey (Kids Can Press, 2001) ISBN 9781550745443
- **Lei the Lucky**, Ingrid and Edgar Parin D’Aulaire (Beautiful Feet Books, 1968) ISBN 9780964380322
- **The Viking World (Civilizations Past to Present)**, by Ann M. Rossi (National Geographic Society, 2004) ISBN 0792245415
- **The Vikings (Back to Basics)**, by Loredana Agosta and Anne McRae (McRae Books, 2008) ISBN 9788860980519
- **The Vikings (History Opens Windows)**, by Jane Shuter (Heinemann Library, 2009) ISBN 9781432913366
- **The Vikings (Stories from Ancient Civilizations)**, by Shahrukh Husain (Evans Brothers Limited, 2004) ISBN 1583406212
- **Viking (DK Eye Wonder)**, by Carrie Love and Lorrie Mack (Dorling Kindersley Limited, 2007) ISBN 9780756629076
- **Viking Ships at Sunrise (Magic Tree House #15)**, by Mary Pope Osborne (Random House Inc., 1998) ISBN 9780679890614
- **Vikings (Children in History)**, by Kate Jackson Bedford (Sea-to-Sea Publications, 2011) ISBN 9781597712729
- **Who Were the Vikings?**, by Jane Chisholm and Struan Reid (Usborne Publishing, 1995) ISBN 9780794501778
- **You Wouldn’t Want to Be a Viking Explorer!: Voyages You’d Rather Not Make**, by Andrew Langley (Franklin Watts, 2000) ISBN 9780531145999

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Systems and Senses

- **Bones and Muscles (Your Body Inside and Out)**, by Angela Royston (Sea-to-Sea Publications, 2011) ISBN 9781597712637
- **Food and Digestion**, by Andrew Solway (Sea-to-Sea Publications, 2011) ISBN 9781597712644
- **Now Hear This!**, by Melissa Stewart (Marshall Cavendish Corporation, 2010) ISBN 9780761441618
- **The Digestive System (Early Bird Body Systems)**, by Rebecca L. Johnson (Lerner Publications Company, 2005) ISBN 0822512475
- **The Digestive System**, by Christine Taylor-Butler (Scholastic, Inc., 2008) ISBN 0531207315
- **The Quest to Digest**, by Mary K. Corcoran (Charlesbridge, 2006) ISBN 1570916640
- **The Sense of Sight (The Senses)**, by Mari Schuh (Bellwether Media, 2008) ISBN 1600140718
- **Where Does Your Food Go?**, by Wiley Blevins (Scholastic, Inc., 2003) ISBN 0516258605
- **Why Do We See Rainbows?**, by Melissa Stewart (Marshall Cavendish Corporation, 2009) ISBN 9780761429197
- **Your Body Battles a Broken Bone**, by Vicki Cobb, Dennis Kunkel, and Andrew N. Harris (Lerner Publishing Group, Inc., 2009) ISBN 9781580138345
- **Your Body Battles a Skinned Knee**, by Vicki Cobb, Dennis Kunkel, and Andrew N. Harris (Lerner Publishing Group, Inc., 2009) ISBN 9780822568148

The First Americans


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City Park (Habitats), by Wendy Davis (Children’s Press, 1997) ISBN 0516203703
Coral Reef (Habitats), by Gary W. Davis (Children’s Press, 1997) ISBN 0516203754
Food Chains, by Peter Riley (Franklin Watts, 1998) ISBN 0531153673
The Lorax, by Dr. Seuss (Random House Books for Young Readers, 1971) ISBN 9780394823379
Why Should I Protect Nature?, by Jen Green (Barron’s, 2005) ISBN 0764131540
Why Should I Recycle?, by Jen Green (Barron’s, 2005) ISBN 0764131559
Why Should I Save Energy?, by Jen Green (Barron’s, 2005) ISBN 076413156
Why Should I Save Water?, by Jen Green (Barron’s, 2005) ISBN 0764131575

European Exploration of North America
Beyond the Sea of Ice: The Voyages of Henry Hudson, by Joan Elizabeth Goodman (Miyaka Press, 1999) ISBN 0965049388
Early Explorations: The 1500s (Hispanic America), by Roger E. Hernandez (Marshall Cavendish Corporation, 2009) ISBN 9780761429371
Explorers Who Got Lost, by Diane Sansevere-Dreher (Tor Books, 2005) ISBN 0812520386
Exploring the Americas (Chester the Crab’s Comix with Content), by Bentley Boyd (The Daily Press, Inc., 2007) ISBN 0972961631
First Voyage to America: From the Log of the “Santa Maria”, by Christopher Colums (Dover Publications, 1991) ISBN 9780486268446
Henry Hudson (What’s so Great About . . . ?), by Carol Parenzana Smalley (Mitchell Lane Publishers, 2007) ISBN 1584154799
Hudson: Henry Hudson Searches for a Passage to Asia (Exploring the World), by Robin S. Doak (Compass Point Books, 2003) ISBN 0756511445
Samuel de Champlain, by Elizabeth MacLeod (Kids Can Press Ltd., 2008) ISBN 9781554530502
The Thirteen Colonies

- **Life in a Colonial Town (Picture the Past)**, by Sally Senzell Isaacs (Reed Educational & Professional Publishing, 2000) ISBN 9781588102973
- **Life in Colonial Boston (Picture the Past)**, by Jennifer Blizin Gillis (Heinemann Library, 2003) ISBN 9781403442840
- **Massachusetts (Colonial America)**, by Vineeta Rai (National Geographic, 2007) ISBN 9781426351488
- **Our Strange New Land: Elizabeth’s Jamestown Colony Diary (Book One)**, by Patricia Hermes (Scholastic Inc., 2000) ISBN 0439368987
- **Pennsylvania (Colonial America)**, by Vineeta Rai (National Geographic, 2007) ISBN 9781426351471
- **Sarah Morton’s Day: A Day in the Life of a Pilgrim Girl**, by Kate Waters (Scholastic, 1993) ISBN 0590474006
- **Season of Promise: Elizabeth’s Jamestown Colony Diary (Book Three)**, by Patricia Hermes (Scholastic Inc., 2002) ISBN 0439272068
- **South Carolina (Colonial America)**, by Vineeta Rai (National Geographic, 2007) ISBN 9781426351457
- **The Starving Time: Elizabeth’s Jamestown Colony Diary (Book Two)**, by Patricia Hermes (Scholastic Inc., 2001) ISBN 0439369029
- **The Story of Jamestown (Graphic Library)**, by Eric Braun (Capstone Press, 2006) ISBN 0736862102
- **The Thirteen Colonies (We the People)**, by Marc Tyler Nobleman (Compass Point Books, 2002) ISBN 9780756509347
- **The Thirteen Colonies**, by Kate Connell (National Geographic, 2006) ISBN 0792254538
- **Virginia (Colonial America)**, by Vineeta Rai (National Geographic, 2007) ISBN 9781426351464
Composers and Their Music

- **Aaron Copland**, by Mike Venezia (Children’s Press, 1995) ISBN 0516445383
- **Tchaikovsky**, by Ann Rachlin and illustrated by Susan Hellard (Barron’s, 1993) ISBN 0812015452
- **The Drum and other Percussion Instruments**, by Rita Storey (Smart Apple Media, 2010) ISBN 159920214X
- **The Piano and other Keyboard Instruments**, by Rita Storey (Smart Apple Media, 2010) ISBN 1599202158
- **The Recorder and Other Wind Instruments**, by Rita Storey (Smart Apple Media, 2010) ISBN 1599202131
- **The Violin and Other Stringed Instruments**, by Rita Storey (Smart Apple Media, 2010) ISBN 1599202123

**GRADE 4**

**Europe in the Middle Ages**


**The Spread of Islam and the “Holy Wars”**


**Early and Medieval African Kingdoms**


**China: Dynasties and Conquerors**

- **The Great Wall**, by Elizabeth Mann (Mikaya Press, 1997) ISBN 1931414122

**The American Revolution**


**Making a Constitutional Government**

- **If You Were There When They Signed the Constitution**, by Elizabeth Levy and illustrated by Richard Rosenblum (Scholastic, 1992). ISBN 0590405195
- **Shhh! We’re Writing the Constitution**, by Jean Fritz (Putnam, 1998). ISBN 0698116240
- **The U.S. Constitution and You**, by Syl Sobel (Barron’s, 2001). ISBN 0764117076

**Early Presidents and Politics**


**Reformers**

- **The Ballot Box Battle**, by Emily Arnold McCully (Dragonfly, 1998) ISBN 0679893121

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A Picture Book of Frederick Douglass, by David A. Adler (Holiday House, 1995) ISBN 0823412059

The Human Body

Chemistry: Basic Concepts

Electricity
The Magic School Bus and the Electric Field Trip, by Joanna Cole and Bruce Degen (Scholastic Inc., 1997) ISBN 059046835

Geology: The Earth and Its Changes

Meteorology

GRADE 5

Mesoamerican Civilizations

European Exploration, Trade, and the Clash of Cultures

The Renaissance and the Reformation

England from the Golden Age to the Glorious Revolution

Russia: Early growth and Expansion
Russia in Pictures (Visual Geography Series), by Heron Marquez (Lerner Publications, 2004) ISBN 0822509377

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Feudal Japan

Westward Expansion
- The Amazing Life of Daniel Boone and How Early Americans Took to the Road, by Cheryl Harness (National Geographic, 2007) ISBN 1426301456
- The Santa Fe Trail (We The People), by Jean F. Blashfield (Compass Point, 2001) ISBN 0756510244

The Civil War: Causes, Conflicts, Consequences

Native Americans: Cultures and Conflicts
- Colico Captive, by Elizabeth George Speare (Sandpiper, 2001). ISBN 0618150765

U.S. Geography
- Wyoming (From Sea to Shining Sea), by Alexandra Hanson-Harding (Children’s Press, 2003). ISBN 0531208192

Classifying Living Things

Cells: Structures and Processes

Plant Structures and Processes
- Plant Parts (The Life of Plants), by Louise and Richard Spilsbury (Heinemann Library, 2008) ISBN 9781432915063

The Human Body

Chemistry: Matter and Change

Science Biographies
- Black Pioneers of Science and Invention, by Louis Haber (Sandpiper, 1992). ISBN 0152085661

GRADE 6

American History & Geography
- America’s Political Scandals in the Late 1800s - Boss Tweed and Tammany Hall by Corona Brezina ISBN 0-8239-4275-9
- Oil~ Steel~ and the Railroads - America’s Big Businesses in the Late 1800s by Jesse Jarnow ISBN 0-8239-4276-7
- Political Reforms - American Citizens Gain More Control Over Their Government by Kate Wingate ISBN 1-4042-0853-4

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The Interstate Commerce Act - The Government Takes Control of Trade Between States by Holly Cefrey ISBN 0-8239-4282-1

We The People - Angel Island by Alice K. Flanagan ISBN 0-7565-1724-9
We The People - Ellis Island by Lucia Raatma ISBN 0-7565-1046-5
We The People - Great Women of the Suffrage Movement by Dana Meachen Rau ISBN 978-0-7565-1726-7
We The People - Industrial America by Kitty Shea ISBN 0-7565-1405-3
We The People - The Haymarket Square Tragedy by Michael Burgan ISBN 0-7565-1728-1
We The People - The Lowell Mill Girls by Alice K. Flanagan ISBN 0-7565-1731-1

American History & Geography
A Brief Political and Geographic History of Latin America by Mitchell Lane ISBN 978-1-58415-626-0
Communism - A Primary Source Analysis by Theodore Link ISBN 0-8239-4517-0
Geography and Resources of the Middle East by David Downing ISBN 0-8368-7341-6
Geography Fact Files - Deserts by Anna Claybourne ISBN 1-58340-425-2
Hispanic Heritage - Wars of Independence by Richard Sanchez ISBN 1-56239-334-0
Map Skills by Laurie Gilbert ISBN 1-56822-641-1
Religions of the Middle East by Gill Stacey ISBN 978-0-8368-7345-0
Show Me the Money - How To Make Cents of Economics by Alvin Hall ISBN 978-0-7566-3762-0
Socialism and Communism by Nancy Shinderman~Sue Hurwitz ISBN 0-75694-509-4
The Industrial Revolution 1800-1850 by Pier Paolo Poggi~Carlo Simone ISBN 0-7910-7092-1
The Industrial Revolution by Sean Connolly ISBN 1-4034-3638-X
What's It All Worth? by Gerry Bailey~Felicia Law ISBN 0-7565-1673-0
You Wouldn't Want to Be a Victorian Mill Worker by John Malam ISBN 978-0-531-13928-8

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- Earth’s Changing Crust - Plate Tectonics and Extreme Events by Rebecca Harman ISBN 1-4034-7063-4
- Marie Curie by Philip Steele ISBN 978-1-4263-0249-7

GRADE 7

History and Geography
- Dust To Eat - Drought and Depression in the 1930s by Michael L. Cooper ISBN 0-618-15449-3
- No Promise in the Wind by Irene Hunt ISBN 0-425-18280-0
- The New Deal - Rebuilding America by Stephanie Fitzgerald ISBN 978-0-7565-2069-0
- The Roaring Twenties by David C. King ISBN 1-878668-65-X

Science
- Antoine Lavoisier - Father of Modern Chemistry by Marylou Morano Kjelle ISBN 1-58415-309-1
- Dmitri Mendeleev and the Periodic Table by Susan Zannos ISBN 1-58415-267-2
- Fossil Fish Found Alive - Discovering the Coelacanth by Sally M. Walker ISBN 1-57505-356-8
- From Greek Atoms to Quarks - Discover Atoms by Sally Morgan ISBN 978-1-4329-09074-4
- From Gunpowder to Laser Chemistry by Andrew Solway ISBN 978-1-4329-0705-1
- From Mendel’s Peas to Genetic Fingerprinting - Discovering Inheritance by Sally Morgan ISBN 978-1-4329-0702-0
- Geology Rocks - Fossils by Rebecca Faulkner ISBN 978-4109-2760-6
- Great Extinctions from the Past by Randi Mehling ISBN 978-0-7910-9049-7
- Unlocking the Secrets of Science - Lise Meitner and the Atomic Age by John Bankston ISBN 1-58415-206-0

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When Fish Got Feet, Sharks Got Teeth, and Bugs Began to Swarm by Hannah Bonner ISBN 978-1-4263-0078-3

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American History & Geography

- From Compact Discs to the Gulf War by Pat Levy, Sean Sheehan ISBN 1-4109-1790-8
- From Punk Rock to Perestroika by Pat Levy ISBN 1-4109-1789-3
- How Did It Happen—The Cold War by Paul Harrison ISBN 1-59018-603-6
- Mao and the Chinese Revolution by Yves Chevrier ISBN 1-56656-514-6
- Middle East by Philip Steele ISBN 978-0-7534-5984-3
- Primary Source Teaching Kit - Civil Rights by Karen Baiker ISBN 0-590-37843-0
- Red Land Yellow River by Ange Zhang ISBN 0-88899-489-3
- The Age of Colonialism by Don Nardo ISBN 1-59018-833-0
- Warriors Don't Cry by Melba Pattillo Beals ISBN 978-1-4169-4882-7

Science

- A Weird History of Science by John Townsend ISBN 1-4109-2382-7
- Adventures in Sound with Max Axiom Super Scientist by Emily Sohn ISBN 978-0-7368-7889-0
- Albert Einstein by Frieda Wishinsky ISBN 0-7566-1247-0
- An Invisible Force - The Quest to Define the Laws of Motion by Glen Phalen ISBN 0-7922-5539-9
- Discover Density by Jacqueline Barber ISBN 978-0-924886-61-4
- Electricity by Steve Parker ISBN 978-0-7566-1388-4
- Force and Motion by Peter Lafferty ISBN 978-0-7894-4882-8
- Forces and Motion by David L. Dreier ISBN 978-1-403-49931-8
- Forces and Motion by Casey Rand ISBN 978-1-4109-3264-8

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