
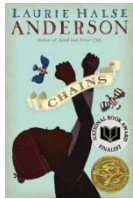




Historical Fiction for Kids

by Susan Jeppesen 04/10

- Historical fiction appropriate for 4th through 6th grade. May also suit many middle school assignments.
- See also the following series for more great books that are generally shorter than the ones listed: American Girl, Dear America, My America, My Name is America, My Side of the Story, History Mysteries, The Roman Mysteries, Royal Diaries.
- NOTE: “AR” is the grade level difficulty according to Accelerated Reader.
-  =place hold on audiobook version of this title



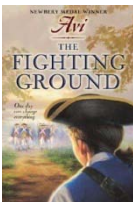
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Chains: Seeds of America

By Laurie Halse Anderson

Call #: JF Anderson

After being sold to a cruel couple in New York City, a slave named Isabel spies for the rebels during the Revolutionary War. 316 p., AR 5.2



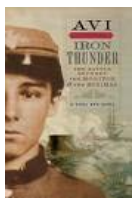
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The Fighting Ground

By Avi

Call #: JF Avi

Thirteen-year-old Jonathan goes off to fight in the Revolutionary War and discovers the real war is being fought within himself. 157 p., AR 4.2.



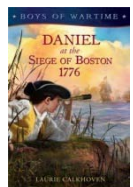
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Iron Thunder

By Avi

Call #: JF Avi

13 year old Tom is soon in danger as he sails into war as part of the crew of the Monitor, an ironclad ship built during the Civil War. 203 p., AR 4.3.



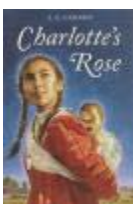
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Boys of Wartime: Daniel at the Siege of Boston, 1776

By Laurie Calkhoven

Call #: JF Calkhoven

Daniel enjoys being a spy and being the man of the house during the Revolutionary War, until the horrors of war become real. 237 p., no AR level.



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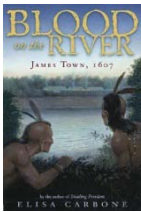
Charlotte's Rose

By A. E. Cannon

Call #: JF Cannon

As a twelve-year-old Welsh immigrant carries a motherless baby along the Mormon Trail in 1856, she comes to love the baby as her own. 245 p., AR 4.1.





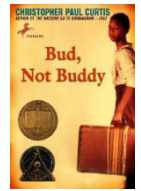
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Blood on the River: James Town 1607

By Elisa Lynn Carbone

Call #: JF Carbone

Traveling to the New World in 1606 as the page to Capt. John Smith, twelve-year-old Samuel must learn quickly to distinguish between friend and foe. 237 p., AR 5.3.



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Bud, Not Buddy

By Christopher Paul Curtis

Call #: JF Curtis Award Book Area

Bud, a motherless boy living in Flint, Michigan, escapes a bad foster home and sets out in search of the man he believes to be his father. 245 p., AR 5.0



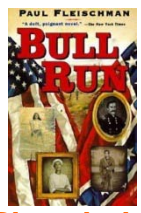
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The Door in the Wall

By Marguerite De Angeli

Call #: JF De Angeli Award Book Area

A crippled boy in 14th century England proves his courage and earns recognition from the King. 120 p., AR 6.2



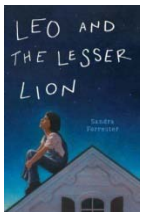
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Bull Run

By Paul Fleischman

Call #: JF Fleischman

Northerners, Southerners, generals, dreaming boys and worried sisters describe this battle of the Civil War. 104 p., AR 5.3



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Leo and the Lesser Lion

By Sandra Forrester

Call #: JF Forrester

During the Depression, Mary struggles to understand why her older brother died, and whether she survived for some special reason. 298 p., AR 5.2



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Maggie's Door

By Patricia Reilly Giff

Call #: JF Giff

Nory and Sean set out on separate journeys from famine stricken Ireland for a new life in America. 158 p., AR 5.0.



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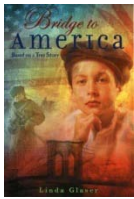
Water Street

By Patricia Reilly Giff

Call #: JF Giff

In the 1870's in the shadow of the construction of the Brooklyn Bridge, two youths make decisions about their lives. 164 p., AR 4.8.





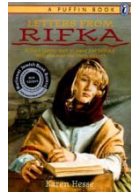
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Bridge to America

By Linda Glaser

Call #: JF Glaser

Fivel and his family leave their home in Poland in 1920 and cross the Atlantic Ocean to join their father in America. 200 p., AR 3.3



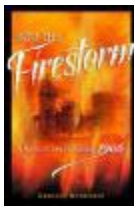
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Letters from Rifka

By Karen Hesse

Call #: JF Hesse

In a series of letters to her cousin Tovah, left behind in Russia, Rifka records her experiences about immigrating to America in 1919. 148 p., AR 4.2



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Into the Firestorm: A Novel of San Francisco, 1906

By Deborah Hopkinson

Call #: JF Hopkinson

Days after arriving in San Francisco from Texas, Nicholas tries to help his neighbors survive the 1906 earthquake and subsequent fires. 200 p., AR 4.2.



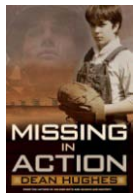
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The Devil and His Boy

By Anthony Horowitz

Call #: JF Horowitz

In 1593, thirteen-year-old Tom falls in with a troupe of actors and finds himself in great danger. 182 p., AR 4.6



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Missing in Action

By Dean Hughes

Call #: JF Hughes

Jay, who is part Navajo, moves to Utah and finds friendship with a Japanese American boy from the nearby internment camp. 228 p., AR 3.9



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Riding the Pony Express

By Deborah Kent

Call #: JF Kent

Lexie pretends to be a boy and follows the Pony Express Trail in search of her missing brother. 149 p., AR 5.1.



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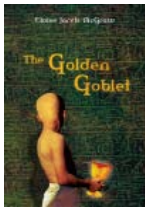
Pharaoh's Daughter

By Julius Lester

Call #: JF Lester

A retelling of the Biblical story in which an Egyptian princess rescues the Hebrew infant Moses. 182 p., AR 5.0





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The Golden Goblet

By Eloise Jarvis McGraw

Call #: JF McGraw

A young Egyptian boy struggles to reveal a crime and reshape his own destiny. 248 p., AR 6.3.



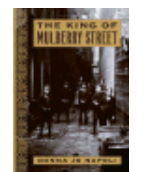
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War Horse

By Michael Morpurgo

Call #: JF Morpurgo

Joey the horse recalls his experiences as a farm horse in England, and his experiences in WWI before coming home again. 167 p., AR 5.9.



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The King of Mulberry Street

By Donna Jo Napoli

Call #: JF Napoli

In 1892, Dom, a stowaway boy from Naples, Italy, lands in New York and must learn to survive the perils of street life. 245 p., AR 3.6



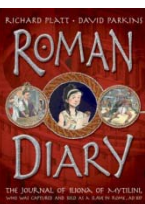
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The Legend of Bass Reeves

By Gary Paulsen

Call #: JF Paulsen

An account of the incredible life of Bass Reeves, who was a frontier lawman in the late 1800's. 137 p., AR 5.8.



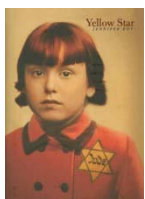
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Roman Diary: The Journal of Iliona of Mytili

By Richard Platt

Call #: JF Platt

When Iliona's ship is boarded by pirates, she ends up in Rome as a slave in the year A.D. 107. 64 p., AR 6.0



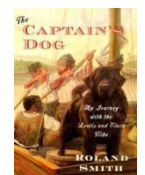
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Yellow Star

By Jennifer Rozines Roy

Call #: JF Roy

Syvia and her family struggle to survive in Poland's Lodz ghetto during WWII. 227 p., AR 4.3



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The Captain's Dog: My Journey with the Lewis & Clark Tribe

By Roland Smith

Call #: JF Smith

The story of the Lewis and Clark Expedition, told by Seaman, the Newfoundland dog that traveled with the group. 287 p., AR 5.8.





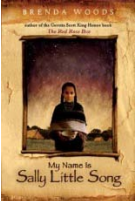
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Someone Named Eva

By Joan M. Wolf

Call #: JF Wolf

Milada is taken with other blonde, blue-eyed children to a school to be trained as a “proper German” but will not forget her true identity. 200 p., AR 5.1.



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My Name is Sally Little Song

By Brenda Woods

Call #: JF Woods

Sally and her family run away from a Georgia plantation in 1802 and find freedom with a Seminole Indian tribe. 182 p., AR 4.4.



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The Earth Dragon Awakes

By Laurence Yep

Call #: JF Yep

Henry and Chin love to read ‘penny dreadful’ novels until they witness real courage during 1906 San Francisco earthquake. 117 p., AR 3.7



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Fever, 1793

By Laurie Halse Anderson

Call #: YF Anderson

Separated from her mother, Matilda learns about self-reliance when Philadelphia is caught in a yellow fever epidemic. 251 p., AR 4.4



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Code Talker

By Joseph Bruchac

Call #: YF Bruchac

After being taught in a boarding school run by whites that Navajo is a useless language, Ned is recruited to become a Code Talker. 231 p., AR 6.4



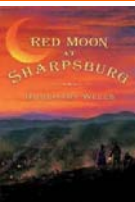
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The Teacher's Funeral: A Comedy in Three Parts

By Richard Peck

Call #: YF Peck

To his horror, Russell's sister, Tansy, becomes the new teacher at school in 1904 when the old teacher dies. 190 p., AR 4.7.



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Red Moon at Sharpsburg

By Rosemary Wells

Call #: YF Wells

A young Southern girl just use all her wits to survive and help her family when the Civil War breaks out in Virginia. 236 p., AR 4.7.





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Girl in a Cage

By Jane Yolen

Call #: YF Yolen

When English armies invade Scotland in 1306, Marjorie, the daughter of Robert the Bruce is captured by King Edward and put on public display. 234 p., AR 4.9