

BOCES INSTRUCTIONAL MEDIA – LITERATURE BOXES – List updated Dec 2011

Absolutely true diary of a part-time Indian (LB000107) - *Alexie, Sherman; literature box, Senior High , Simon and Schuster, 1966*

Budding cartoonist Junior leaves his troubled school on the Spokane Indian Reservation to attend an all-white farm town school where the only other Indian is the school mascot. 35 copies of book

[Spokane Indians-Drama](#) , [Indians of North America Washington \(State\)Drama](#) , [Diaries,Fiction](#) , [Indian reservations--Washington \(State\)](#) , [Washington \(State\) Race relations](#)

Al Capone does my shirts (LB000066) - *Choldenko, Gennifer; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High, Senior High , Puffin, 2004*

A twelve-year-old boy named Moose moves to Alcatraz Island in 1935 when guards' families were housed there, and has to contend with his extraordinary new environment in addition to life with his autistic sister. 35 copies of book

[Brothers and Sisters-Fiction](#) , [Family problemsFiction](#) , [Autism](#) , [Alcatraz Island \(Calif.\)--History--Fiction](#) , [United States Penitentiary, Alcatraz Island, California--Fiction](#)

All quiet on the western front (LB000046) - *Remarque, Erich Marie; literature box, Senior High , New York :Fawcett Books, 1928*

This is a testament of Paul Baumer, who enlists with his classmates in the German army of World War I. They become soldiers with youthful enthusiasm. But the world of work, duty, culture, and progress they had been taught breaks into pieces under the first bombardment in the trenches. Through the years of vivid horror, Paul holds fast to a single vow: to fight against the principle of hate that meaninglessly pits young men of the same generation but different uniforms against each other, if only he can come out of the war alive. 35 copies of the book. Literature Box.

[World War, 1914-1918Fiction](#)

Ashanti to Zulu (LBS00020) - *Musgrove, Margaret; literature box, Primary, 1976 , Puffin, 1980*

This book explains some traditions and customs of 26 African tribes beginning with letters from A to Z. 35 copies of book.

[Alphabet](#) , [Africa--Social Life and Customs](#) , [Ethnology--Africa--Fiction](#) , [Ethnology--Africa](#)

The Awakening (LBS00007) - *Chopin, Kate, 1850-1904; literature box, Senior High, 1976 , 1976*

An American classic of sexual expression that paved the way for the modern novel, *The Awakening* is both a remarkable novel in its own right and a startling reminder of how far women in this century have come. The story of a married woman who pursues love outside a stuffy, middle-class marriage, the novel portrays the mind of a woman seeking fulfillment of her essential nature. 35 copies

[Literature](#)

Bad boy (LB000008) - *Myers, Walter Dean, 1937; literature box, Senior High , PermaBound, 2001*

Into a memoir that is funny, heartbreaking, and unforgettable, Walter Dean Myers richly weaves the details of his Harlem childhood, in the 1940s and 1950s: a loving home life with his adoptive parents, Bible school, street games, and the vitality of his neighborhood. Although Walter spent much of his time either getting into trouble or on the basketball court, secretly he was a voracious reader and an aspiring writer. But as his prospects for a successful future diminished, the values he had been taught at home, in school, and in his community seemed worthless, and he turned to the streets and his books for comfort. Here in his own words is the story of one of the strongest voices in children's and young adult literature today. 35 copies

[Authors, American](#) , [Authors, American 20th Century Biography](#) , [African Americans Biography](#)

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Becoming Naomi Leon (LB000116) - Ryan, Pam Munoz; literature box, Primary, Intermediate, Scholastic, 2004

When Naomi's absent mother resurfaces to claim her, Naomi runs away to Mexico with her great-grandmother and younger brother in search of her father. 5 copies

[Brothers and Sisters-Fiction](#), [Family problemsFiction](#), [Mexican AmericansFiction](#), [Mexico--Fiction](#), [Great-grandmothers--Fiction](#)

Ben Mikaelson (LB000085) - Mikaelson, Ben; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High, Dell, 1990

This literature box contains the following titles by author Ben Mikaelson. 5 copies of each: Sparrow Hawk Red, Tree Girl, Rescue Josh McGuire, Ghost of Spirit Bear, Countdown.

[High SchoolsFiction](#), [Schools-Fiction](#), [Change--Fiction](#), [Self-actualization \(Psychology\)](#), [Conduct of LifeFiction](#), [Cerebral Palsey--Fiction](#), [People with Disabilities](#), [Old Age-fiction](#), [Astronauts](#), [Adventures & AdventurersFiction](#), [Mexico](#), [Mexican-Americans-Fiction](#), [Airplanes--Fiction](#), [Mayas](#), [SistersFiction](#), [Refugees](#), [Survival-Fiction](#), [Bears-Fiction](#), [Runaways--Fiction](#), [Indians of Central America--Guatemala](#), [Guatemala--Fiction](#), [Wildlife rescue](#), [Orphaned animals](#), [Montana](#), [Spaceflight--Fiction](#), [Kenya--Fiction](#), [Maasai \(African people\)--Fiction](#)

Beowulf (LBS00050) - literature box, Junior High, Senior High, Pearson Education, 2000

Out in the darkness, the monster stirred, gliding in shadow. Grendel moved quickly through the cloudy night, lurching up from the swampland. The warriors who were to guard the castle slept - all but one. Beowulf, wakeful, was on watch for the demon. His anger mounting, he ached for revenge. 30 copies

[Epic PoetryEnglish \(Old\)](#), [Readers for new literates](#)

Book Thief (LB000053) - Zusak, Markus; literature box, Senior High, College, Adult, Random House, 2006

Trying to make sense of the horrors of World War II, death relates the story of Liesel -- a young German girl whose book-stealing and story-telling talents help sustain her family and the Jewish man they are hiding, as well as their neighbors. 35 copies of book. Also, included is the unabridged book on CD.

[Germany-History-1933-1945](#), [World War-Jews-Rescue-1939-1945](#), [Books and reading](#), [Storytelling](#), [Death](#), [Germany--Jews--History](#)

Boy in the striped pajamas (LB000061) - literature box, Junior High, Random House, 2006

Bruno, an 8-year-old boy in 1940s Berlin, is unhappy when his SS officer father's job means the family must move to southern Poland. While exploring the grounds around their new "farmhouse," Bruno meets and befriends Shmuel, a child on the other side of an electric fence. How each boy comes to terms with the chilling reality around them propels this emotional film adaptation of the John Boyne novel. 35 copies of book

[Auschwitz \(Concentration Camp\)](#), [Concentration CampsFiction](#)

Bread comes to life (LB000042) - Levenson, George; literature box, Primary, Intermediate, Informed Democracy, 2003

This video begins by showing many of the varieties of bread and the ingredients from which it is made. The story then focuses on a baker who grows wheat in his backyard garden, threshes and mills the grain, and uses the resulting flour to make a loaf of bread in his own kitchen. The film then turns to large-scale bread production: a wheat harvest on a farm, the inside workings of a huge flour mill, and a behind-the-scenes look at a commercial bakery. It concludes with a montage of all kinds of people baking bread and all kinds of creatures - even cows-enjoying it. 35 copies

[Bread](#), [Wheat](#)

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Breadwinner, The (LB000113) - Ellis, Deborah; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High , Viking Press, 2001

Because the Taliban rulers of Kabul, Afghanistan, impose strict limitations on women's freedom and behavior, eleven-year-old Parvana must disguise herself as a boy so that her family can survive after her father's arrest. 17 copies

[Women's Rights](#) , [Sex role](#) , [Survival-Fiction](#) , [Taliban](#) , [Afghanistan--Fiction](#) , [Girls--Fiction](#) , [Disguise--Fiction](#) , [Kabul \(Afghanistan\)](#)

Bud, not Buddy (LB000005) - Curtis, Christopher Paul, 1953-; literature box, Senior High , 1999

Ten-year old Bud, a motherless boy living in Flint, Michigan, during the Great Depression, escapes a bad foster home and sets out in search of the man he believes to be his father--the renowned bandleader, H.E. Calloway of Grand Rapids. Winner of the 2000 Newbery Medal, and the 2000 Coretta Scot King Award. 35 copies

[Literature](#) , [Runaways--Fiction](#) , [African Americans--Fiction](#) , [Depressions, 1929](#) , [Runaway children--Michigan--History--20th century--Fiction](#) , [African Americans--Michigan--History--1877-1965--Fiction](#) , [Depression--1929--Michigan--Fiction](#)

Bullying - Elementary (LB000135) - literature box, Primary, Intermediate , Penguin Books,, 0

Literature box contains: Bootsie Barker Bites by Barbara Bottner - 3 copies; Simon's Hook: A Store and Teases and Put-Downs by Karen Gedig Burnett - 3 copies; Oliver Button Is a Sissy by Tomie dePaola - 3 copies; We Want You to Know: Kids Talk About Bullying by Deborah Ellis - 3 copies; Don't Laugh at Me by Steve Seskin - 3 copies; Just Kidding by Trudy Ludwig - 3 copies; Confessions of a Former Bully by Trudy Ludwig - 3 copies; Keena Ford and the Secret Journal Mix-Up by Thompson, Melissa - 3 copies; My Last Best Friend by Bowe, Julie - 3 copies; Zero by Kathryn Otoshi - 3 copies

[Schools-Fiction](#) , [Conduct of LifeFiction](#) , [Authorship](#) , [Bullies,Fiction](#) , [TeasingFiction](#) , [Self ConfidenceFiction](#) , [Interpersonal RelationsFiction](#) , [Songs](#) , [Bullying in schools](#) , [Dance](#) , [BehaviorFiciton](#) , [Human BehaviorFiction](#) , [Sex role](#) , [Children's songs--United States--Texts](#) , [Bullying--Anecdotes--Fiction](#) , [Toleration--Fiction](#)

Bullying - Jr/Sr High School (LB000140) - literature box, JS1 , Dell Yearling, 0

Shredderman: Secret Identity - By Wendelin Van Fraanen - 3 copies; Poison Ivy by Amy Goldman Koss - 3 copies; Schooled by Gordon Korman - 3 copies; Underwater by Debbie Levy - 3 copies; Thirteen Reasons Why by Asher, Jay - 3 copies; Max Quigley: Technically Not a Bully - 3 copies; Tangerine by Edward Bloor - 3 copies; Revealers, The - 3 copies; Fat Boy by Diane Lange - 3 copies; Girls, The by Lori Lansens - 3 copies

[Bullying](#) , [Conduct of LifeFiction](#) , [Interpersonal relations](#) , [diaries](#) , [Schools](#) , [Mock TrialsUnited States](#) , [Heroes--Fiction](#) , [TeasingFiction](#) , [Bullies,Fiction](#) , [Internet](#) , [Friendship-Fiction](#) , [SistersFiction](#) , [Grandmothers-Fiction](#) , [Soccer](#) , [BrothersFiction](#) , [Diaries,Fiction](#) , [SuicideFiction](#) , [Self ConfidenceFiction](#) , [Identity \(Philosophical concept\)](#) , [Tutors and tutoring--Fiction](#) , [Middle born children](#) , [Conjoined twins](#) , [Abandoned children](#) , [Young women](#) , [Adoptees](#) , [Florida--Fiction](#) , [People with visual disabilities](#) , [Homeschooling](#) , [School stories](#) , [Middle school students--Fiction](#) , [Hippies--Fiction](#) , [Overweight persons](#)

Butterflies and the life cycle (LB000052) - literature box, Primary, Intermediate , 0

Literature box contains: Butterflies - Smith-Saunders, Gail (6 copies); Painted Butterflies - Schaffer, Donna (6 copies); From Puppy to Dog, From Tadpole to Frog, From Egg to Spider, From Caterpillar to Butterfly, From Egg to Chicken, From Seed to Sunflower, From Bean to Bean Plant, From Seed to Apple - Ganeri, Anita (1 copy each); Monarch Butterfly - Gibbons Gail (1 copy); From Caterpillar to Butterfly - Heiligman, Deborah (1 copy); A Monarch Butterfly's Life - Himmelman, John (1 copy); The Bug Scientist - Jackson, Donna M. (1 copy)

[Animal life cycles](#) , [Insects - Life Cycles](#) , [Monarch Butterflies](#) , [Plant life cycles](#)

Canyons (LBS00086) - Paulsen, Gary; literature box, Junior High , Delacorte Press, 1990

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Finding a skull on a camping trip in the canyons outside El Paso, Texas, Brennan becomes involved with the fate of a young Apache Indian who lived in the late 1800s. 35 copies of book

[Texas--Fiction](#) , [Apache Indians](#) , [Indians of North America--Texas](#)

Carbon diaries 2015, The (LB000128) - Lloyd, Saci; literature box, Senior High , Holiday House, 2009

In 2015, when England becomes the first nation to introduce carbon dioxide rationing in a drastic bid to combat climate change, sixteen-year-old Laura documents the first year of rationing as her family spirals out of control. 35 copies

[Family Life-Fiction](#) , [Energy Conservation](#) , [Climatic changes](#) , [EnglandFiction](#) , [Diaries,Fiction](#) , [Science fiction](#) , [Rationing--Fiction](#)

Carlos and the cornfield/Carlos y la milpa de maiz (LB000076) - Jan Romeo; literature box, Primary , Penguin Books,, 1995

When he sees the results of not following his father's instructions on the proper way to plant corn, a young boy tries to make things right. 6 copies

[Corn](#) , [Farm life--Fiction](#) , [Farm life--New Mexico--Fiction](#) , [New Mexico](#) , [Spanish language materials--Bilingual](#)

Catch 22 (LB000024) - Heller, Joseph, 1923-1999; literature box, Senior High, 1985 , 1961

As revealing today as when it was first published, this brilliant novel expresses the concerns of an entire generation in its black comedy. World War II flier decides that his only mission each time he goes up is to return alive! 35 copies of book.

[Literature](#) , [World War, 1939-1945--Fiction](#)

Caves and caverns (LB000064) - Gibbons, Gail; literature box, Primary, Intermediate , Harcourt, 1993

Text and labeled illustrations describe the formation and physical features of various kinds of caves, with a brief section on spelunking. 35 copies of book

[Caves](#)

Charles R. Smith, Jr. (LB000065) - literature box, Junior High, Senior High , Candlewick Press, 0

Literature box contains the following titles: 1. Hoop Kings (4 copies); Hoop Queens (4 copies); Winning Words (4 copies); Mighty 12: Superheroes of Greek Myth (4 copies); Twelve Rounds to Glory: the Story of Muhammad Ali (4 Copies)

[AthletesFiction](#) , [Sports](#) , [Youth](#) , [Mythology, Greek](#) , [African American boxers--Biography](#) , [Boxers \(Sports\)--United States--Biography](#) , [Ali, Muhammed--1942](#) , [Basketball players--Poetry](#) , [Children's Poetry, American](#)

Chasing Vermeer (LB000110) - Balliett, Blue; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High , Scholastic, 2004

When strange and seemingly unrelated events start to happen and a precious Vermeer painting disappears, eleven-year-olds Petra and Calder combine their talents to solve an international art scandal. 35 copies

[ArtFiction](#) , [Mystery and Detective Stories](#) , [Vermeer, Johannes, 1632-1675--Fiction](#)

Child Called "It";: one child's courage, A (LB000047) - Pelzer, Dave; literature box, Senior High, BKS , Harper and Row,, 1993

This is an unforgettable account of one of the most severe child abuse cases in California history. It is the story of Dave Pelzer, who was brutally beaten and starved by his emotionally unstable, alcoholic mother. 30 copies

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[Child abuse](#) , [Children of Alcoholics California, Daly City Biography](#) , [Abused Children California DALY City Biography](#) , [Abusive Mothers California, Daly City](#) , [Family Violence California, Daly City](#) , [Foster Home Care California](#)

Chocolate Wars (LB000041) - Cormier, Robert; literature box, Junior High, Senior High , Dell, 1974

A young high school student refuses to join in the school's annual fund raising drive and learns about intimidation and peer pressure first hand. 35 copies

[Human RelationsFiction](#) , [High SchoolsFiction](#) , [SchoolsFiction](#)

City green (LB000077) - DyAnne DiSalvo; literature box, Primary , Penguin Books,, 1994

Marcy and Miss Rosa start a campaign to clean up an empty lot and turn it into a community garden. 6 copies

[GardensFiction](#) , [Community gardens--Fiction](#)

Code talker (LB000090) - Bruchac, Joseph; literature box, Senior High , Penguin Books,, 2005

After being taught in a boarding school run by whites that Navajo is a useless language, Ned Begay and other Navajo men are recruited by the Marines to become Code Talkers, sending messages during World War II in their native tongue. 35 copies.

[Navajo language--Fiction](#) , [Navajo IndiansFiction](#) , [World War, 1939-1945--Fiction](#) , [Cryptography--Fiction](#) , [Navajo code talkers--Fiction](#) , [Southwest--Fiction](#) , [United States--Marine Corps--Participation, Indian--Fiction](#) , [United States--Marine Corps--Indian troops--Fiction](#)

Complete tales and poems of Edgar Allan Poe (LB000022) - Poe, Edgar Allan, 1809-1849; literature box, Junior High , 1980

This collection of short stories and poems includes such masterpieces as The Fall of the House of Usher, The Purloined Letter, The Tell-Tale Heart, The Raven, and Murders in the Rue Morgue. 35 copies

[Horror Tales](#) , [Poetry](#) , [Short stories](#) , [Dective and Mystery Stories](#)

Crispin: cross of lead (LB000016) - Avi; literature box, Intermediate , 2002

Aster's son, Crispin, has always lived on the edge of his world - separated physically and emotionally from the others in his medieval village. But after his mother dies, he learns that he must flee his village to save his life. Avi has done an excellent job of intergrating background and historical information, of pacing the plot so that the book is a page-turner from beginning to end, and of creating characters for whom readers will have great empathy. The result is a meticulously crafted story, full of adventure, mystery, and action. 35 copies

[Middle AgesFiction](#) , [Great BritainHistoryEdward III, 1327-1377Fiction](#) , [IdentityFiction](#) , [OrphansFiction](#)

Curious incident of the dog in the night-time, The (LB000122) - Haddon, Mark; literature box, Senior High , Random House, 2003

Despite his overwhelming fear of interacting with people, Christopher, a mathematically-gifted, autistic, fifteen-year-old boy, decides to investigate the murder of a neighbor's dog and uncovers secret information about his mother. 35 copies, unabridged CD

[Autism](#) , [Autism--Fiction](#) , [Savants \(Savant syndrome\)--Fiction](#) , [EnglandFiction](#) , [MysteryFiction](#) , [Dogs-Fiction](#) , [Asperger's syndrome--Patients--Fiction](#)

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The dark is rising (LB000007) - Cooper, Susan, 1935; literature box, Senior High , 1973

On his eleventh birthday Will Stanton discovers that he is the last of the Old Ones, destined to seek the magical Signs that will enable the Old Ones to triumph over the evil forces of the Dark. 35 copies

[EnglandFiction](#) , [Fantasy](#)

Deadline (LB000079) - Crutcher, Chris; literature box, Senior High , Greenwillow Press, 2007

Given the medical diagnosis of one year to live, high school senior Ben Wolf decides to fulfill his greatest fantasies, ponders his life's purpose and legacy, and converses through dreams with a spiritual guide known as "Hey-Soos."35 copies

[Self PerceptionFiction](#) , [High SchoolsFiction](#) , [Schools-Fiction](#) , [Terminally ill--Fiction](#)

Diary of a wimpy kid (LB000095) - Kinney, Jeff; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High , Amulet Press, 2007

Greg records his sixth grade experiences in a middle school where he and his best friend, Rowley, undersized weaklings amid boys who need to shave twice daily, hope just to survive, but when Rowley grows more popular, Greg must take drastic measures to save their friendship. 35 copies

[Friendship-Fiction](#) , [Schools-Fiction](#) , [Diaries,Fiction](#) , [Humorous Stories](#) , [Middle School--Fiction](#)

Dinosaurs (LB000131) - literature box, Primary, Intermediate , Scholastic, 0

Literature box contains: Triceratops,Tyrannosaurus Rex,Apatosaurus,Iguanodon, Stegosaurus, Pteranodon, Stegosaurus, Brachiosaurus, Diplodocus by Daniel Cohen; Diplodocus, Brachiosaurus, Triceratops, Tyrannosaurus Rex by Daniel Nunn; Stegosaurus, Triceratops, Apatosaurus, Iguanodon, Tyrannosaurus Rex by Susan H. Gray; Pteranodon by Janet Riechecky

[Dinosaurs](#) , [Triceratops](#) , [Tyrannosaurus Rex](#) , [Apatosaurus](#) , [Iguanodon](#) , [Stegosaurus](#) , [Brachiosaurus](#) , [Diplodocus](#) , [Pteranodon](#)

Dutch Double (LB000051) - literature box, Intermediate, Junior High , Inkwater Press, 2007

A mysterious antique button - a family heirloom received as a birthday gift transports 13-year old Katie Van Epps back in time to the 17th century Dutch settlement of Schenectady, New York. The city is her home, but home was never like this! Katie, now Katje the servant, knows that in three days there will be a devastating massacre. Will she be able to return to her own time and escape history, or will she be changed by it? In this adventure, filled with danger and mystery, Katie learns about life in the 17th century, and discovers important things about herself. 30 copies

[Schenectady \(N.Y.\) History Fiction](#)

Ellen Hopkins collection (LB000134) - Hopkins, Ellem; literature box, Senior High , Simon and Schuster, 0

Literature box contains: Burned - 7 copies; Tricks- 7 copies; Identical - 7 copies; Impulse - 7 copies;Perfect - 7 copies - Teacher's Guides.

[Novels in verse](#) , [Family problemsFiction](#) , [Alcoholism-Fiction](#) , [AuntsFiction](#) , [SuicideFiction](#) , [SistersFiction](#) , [TwinsFiction](#) , [Interpersonal RelationsFiction](#) , [Emotional problems in teenagers--Fiction](#) , [Family secrets--Fiction](#) , [Mental illness--Fiction](#) , [Psychiatric hospitals--Fiction](#) , [Secrets--Fiction](#) , [Sexual abuse--Fiction](#) , [Emotional ProblemsFiction](#) , [Sexual abuse victims--Fiction](#) , [California--Fiction](#) , [Nevada--Fiction](#) , [Families--Fiction](#) , [Prostitution--Fiction](#) , [Mormons--Fiction](#) , [Sex--Fiction](#) , [Self-esteemFiction](#) , [Family life--Nevada](#) , [Perfectionism \(Personality trait\)--Fiction](#)

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Esperanza rising (LB000121) - Ryan, Pam Nunoz; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High , Scholastic, 2000

Esperanza and her mother are forced to leave their life of wealth and privilege in Mexico to go work in the labor camps of Southern California, where they must adapt to the harsh circumstances facing Mexican farm workers on the eve of the Great Depression. 35 copies 1 unabridged CD

[California--Fiction](#) , [Mexican Americans--California--Fiction](#) , [Agricultural laborers--Fiction](#)

Extra credit (LB000080) - Clements, Andrew; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High , Pantheon Press, 2009

As letters flow back and forth--between the prairies of Illinois and the mountains of Afghanistan, across cultural and religious divides--sixth-grader Abby, ten-year-old Amira, and eleven-year-old Sadeed begin to speak and listen to each other. 35 copie

[IllinoisFiction](#) , [Letters--Fiction](#) , [Pen Pals--Fiction](#) , [Family Life-Fiction](#) , [Family life--Afghanistan--Fiction](#) , [Family life--Illinois](#) , [Afghanistan--Fiction](#)

Fahrenheit 451 (LBS00001) - Bradbury, Ray 1920-; literature box, Senior High, min. , 1967

First published in 1953, Fahrenheit 451 is a classic novel set in the future when books forbidden by totalitarian regime are burned. The hero, a book burner, suddenly discovers that books are flesh and blood ideas that cry out silently when put to the torch. 35 copies and 1 DVD

[Literature](#) , [Censorship](#) , [Totalitarianism--Drama](#) , [Intellectual freedom--Drama](#) , [Book burning--Drama](#) , [Books--Censorship--Drama](#)

Fallen Angels (LB000048) - Myers, Walter Dean; literature box, JSC, BKS , Scholastic, 1988

Seventeen-year old Richie Perry, just out of his Harlem high school, enlists in the Army in the summer of 1967 and spends a devastating year on active duty in Vietnam.

[Vietnam War, 1961-1975 Fiction](#) , [War Fiction](#) , [African American teenage boys](#)

Fighting ground, The (LBS00087) - Avi; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High , Harper, 2004

Thirteen-year-old Jonathan goes off to fight in the Revolutionary War and discovers the real war is being fought within himself. 35 copies

[United States History Revolution, 1775-1783Fiction](#)

First part last / Breakout (LB000038) - Johnson, AngelinaFleishchman, Paul; literature box, Senior High , Simon & Schuster, 2003

Bobby's a classic Urban Teenager. He's restless. He's impulsive. But one thing that makes him different is this: He's going to be a father. His girlfriend, Nia, is pregnant, and their lives are about to change forever. Instead of spending time with friends, they'll be spending time with doctors, and next diapers. They have options: keeping the baby, adoption. They want to do the right thing. If only it was clear what the right thing was. Del's lived in Los Angeles for seventeen years, bouncing among foster homes. Smart, sharp-tongued, and a master mimic, she's fed up with her world and with being Del. So she's changing her name and leaving both herself and L.A. behind - until her escape lands her in an all-day traffic jam. As the novel flashes between Del's present and future, we get a backstage pass into this young playwright's psyche, watching her life being transformed into art, heartache into comedy, solitude into connection. And, finally, anger giving way to acceptance.

[Babies,Fiction](#) , [African American-Fiction](#) , [Los Angeles \(Calif\)Fiction](#) , [Teenage Parents-Fiction](#) , [Teenage Father-Fiction](#) , [Father and Child-Fiction](#)

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Freak the Mighty (LB000033) - Philbrick, W.R.(W.Rodman); literature box, Intermediate, Junior High , Scholastic, 1993

A brilliant, emotionally-charged novel about a friendship so powerful, it shatters the walls a boy has built around himself since the murder of his mother. 35 copies

[Learning disabilitiesFiction](#), [FriendshipFiction](#), [Physically handicappedFiction](#)

Freedom writers diary, The (LB000063) - literature box, Junior High, Senior High , Doubleday, 1999

A group of extraordinary teens used writing to change themselves and the world around them. Foreword by Zlata Filipovic. 35 copies of book

[Teenagers--United States--Diaries](#), [Toleration--United States](#)

Gail Gibbons (LB000081) - literature box, Preschool, Primary , Holiday House, 1993

Frogs, owls, dogs,bats, penguins, rabbits, rabbits and more rabbits, giant pandas. 5 copies of each

[RabbitsFiction](#), [Penguins](#), [Pandas--Fiction](#), [Bats](#), [Dogs-Fiction](#), [OwlsFiction](#)

Gary Paulsen (LB000084) - Paulsen, Gary; literature box, Junior High , Simon & Schuster, 2008

This Literature Box Contains the Following: 5 copies of each Brian's Return, Dogteam, Guts, Hatchet, The Monument, The River, Soldier's Heart

[Paulsen, Gary](#), [Survival-Fiction](#), [DivorceFiction](#), [Self RelianceFiction](#), [Apache Indians](#), [Indians of North America-Fiction](#), [United States--History--Civil War--1861-1865](#), [Authors, American 20th Century Biography](#), [Children's stories--Authorship](#), [Dog sledding--Fic](#), [Sledding dogs--Fiction](#)

Getting near to baby (LB000120) - Coulombis, Audrey; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High , Scholastic, 2008

Although thirteen-year-old Willa Jo and her Aunt Patty seem to be constantly at odds, staying with her and Uncle Hob helps Willa Jo and her younger sister come to terms with the death of their family's baby. 2000 Newberry Honor. 20 copies

[SistersFiction](#), [Grief](#), [DeathFiction](#), [AuntsFiction](#)

Ghost boy (LB000021) - Lawrence, Iain; literature box, Intermediate , Random, 2000

In the eighteenth century sixteen-year-old John Spencer sails from England in his schooner Dragon, to the Caribbean, where he and the crew encounter pirates and fierce storms. 35 copies of book.

[Literature](#), [ElephantsFiction](#), [Self AcceptanceFiction](#), [Runaways--Fiction](#), [Self-acceptance--Fiction](#)

Giver (LB000029) - Lowry, Lois, 1937-; literature box, Senior High , Dell, 1993

By Lois Lowry. Jonas's world is perfect. Everything is under control. There is no war or fear or pain. There are no choices. Every person is assigned a role in the Community. When Jonas turns twelve, he is singled out to receive special training from the Giver. The Giver alone holds the memories of the true pain and pleasure of life. Now it's time for Jonas to receive the truth. There is no turning back. 35 copies

[Literature](#), [Communal living--Fiction](#), [Utopias--Fiction](#), [Science fiction](#), [Emotions--Fiction](#)

Giving Tree (LB000019) - Silverman, Shel, 1932-1999; literature box, Primary , Harper, 1964

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A classic book for all ages. A moving parable about the gift of capacity to love, told throughout the life of a boy who grows to manhood and a tree that gives him her bounty through the years. 70 copies of book.

[Language arts](#) , [TreesFiction](#) , [GenerosityJuvenile Fiction](#) , [Love--Fiction](#)

Glass castle, The (LB000105) - Walls, Jeanette; literature box, Junior High, Senior High , Simon and Schuster, 2005

Journalist Walls grew up with parents whose ideals and stubborn nonconformity were their curse and their salvation. Rex and Rose Mary and their four children lived like nomads, moving among Southwest desert towns, camping in the mountains. Rex was a charismatic, brilliant man who, when sober, captured his children's imagination, teaching them how to embrace life fearlessly. Rose Mary painted and wrote and couldn't stand the responsibility of providing for her family. When the money ran out, the Walls retreated to the dismal West Virginia mining town Rex had tried to escape. As the dysfunction escalated, the children had to fend for themselves, supporting one another as they found the resources and will to leave home. Yet Walls describes her parents with deep affection in this tale of unconditional love in a family that, despite its profound flaws, gave her the fiery determination to carve out a successful life. 35 copies

[Children of alcoholics--United States--Biography](#) , [Walls, Jeanette](#) , [Dysfunctional families--United States--Case studies](#) , [Children of alcoholics--West Virginia--Welch--Biography](#) , [Poor--West Virginia--Welch--Biography](#) , [Homeless persons--Family relationships--New York \(State\)--New York](#)

Good Night, Mr. Tom (LB000083) - Magorian, Michelle; literature box, Junior High, Senior High , HarperCollins, 1981

A battered child learns to embrace life when he is adopted by an old man in the English countryside during the Second World War. 35 copies of book

[Country LifeFiction](#) , [EnglandFiction](#) , [Child abuse--Fiction](#) , [World War, 1939-1945--England--Fiction](#)

Grapes of wrath, The (LBS00032) - Steinbeck, John, 1902-1988; literature box, Senior High , PermaBound, 1939

A family of thirteen must leave their farm in Oklahoma to find work. They become migrant workers in California. 35 copies

[California--Fiction](#) , [Migrant workers - Fiction](#)

Hate List (LB000109) - Brown, Jennifer; literature box, Senior High , Little,Brown, 2009

A YA debut that takes a deeper look at the aftermath of a tragic school shooting, told from the perspective of the shooter's girlfriend. 35 copies of book

[Schools-Fiction](#) , [High SchoolsFiction](#) , [Emotional ProblemsFiction](#) , [Family problemsFiction](#) , [Forgiveness--Fiction](#) , [School shootings--Fiction](#) , [Dysfunctional families--Fiction](#)

Hero's trail: a guide for heroic life (LB000091) - Barron, T. A; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High, Senior High , Puffin, 2002

Explores how to lead a heroic life, facing challenges with courage, strength of character, and wisdom, much as a hiker uses those qualities on a challenging trail. 35 copies

[Heroes--Fiction](#) , [Character](#) , [Values-Fiction](#) , [Conduct of LifeFiction](#)

Historical fiction literature box - 4th Grade (LB000068) - literature box, Intermediate , Random House, 0

My Chocolate Year by Herman,Charlotte; Hannah of Fairfield by Van Leuwen,Jean; Ballad of the Civil War, A by Stolz, Mary; Abby Takes a Stand by McKissack, Patricia C.; House of Tailors by Giff, Patricia Reilly; Baseball Saved Us by Mochizuki, Ken

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[Emmigration and Immigration](#), [UnclesFiction](#), [Sewing--Fiction](#), [German Americans--Fiction](#), [Brooklyn \(New York, N.Y.\)--History--19th Century](#), [Japanese Americans--Evaluation and relocation, 1942-1945](#), [World War-United States-1939-1945](#), [PrejudicesFiction](#), [BaseballFiction](#), [Asian Americans--History](#), [Japanese Americans--History](#), [Racism--Fiction](#), [Fathers and Sons-Fiction](#), [Family Life-Fiction](#), [United States History Revolution, 1775-1783Fiction](#), [BrothersFiction](#), [United States--History--Civil War--1861-1865](#), [Segregation](#), [Civil Rights Demonstrations](#), [African Americans](#), [Nashville \(Tenn.\)--Race relations](#), [Tennessee--History--20th century](#), [Baking-fiction](#), [Schools-Fiction](#), [JewsFiction](#), [World War, 1939-1945](#), [Chicago \(Ill.\)--History--20th Century](#), [Contests--Fiction](#)

Holes (LB00013) - Sachar, Louis, 1954-; literature box, Junior High, Senior High, 1998

Stanley Yelnats is under a curse. A curse that began with his no-good-dirty-rotten-pig-stealing great-great - grandfather and has since followed generations of Yelnats. Now Stanley has been unjustly sent to the boys' detention center, Camp Green Lake, where the boys build character by spending all day, every day, digging holes exactly five feet wide and five feet deep. There is no lake at Camp Green Lake. But there are an awful lot of holes. It doesn't take long for Stanley to realize there's more than character improvement going on at Camp Green Lake. The boys are digging holes because the warden is looking for something. But what could be buried under a dried-up lake? Stanley tries to dig up the truth in this inventive and darkly humorous tale of crime and punishment and redemption. 35 copies

[Buried TreasureFiction](#), [Homeless personFiction](#), [FriendshipFiction](#), [Juvenile DelinquencyFiction](#)

Holocaust--Elementary (LB000141) - literature box, Primary, Intermediate, Simon & Schuster, 0

This literature box contains: 4 copies of each. Wind Flyers by Johnson, Angela; Passage to Freedom: The Sugihara Story by Mochizuki, Ken; The Bracelet by Uchida, Yoshiko; Baseball Saved Us by Mochizuki, Ken; Cats in Krasinski Square by Hesse, Karen; Erika's Story by Vander Zee, Ruth; The Yellow Star: the Legend of King Christian X of Denmark by Deedy, Carmen Agra

[United States--Army Air Forces--Fought Group, 332nd.](#), [African Americans](#), [FriendshipFiction](#), [BaseballFiction](#), [PrejudicesFiction](#), [World War, 1939-1945--Participation](#), [African American](#), [Holocaust survivor](#), [Holocaust, Jewish \(1933-1945\) Poland](#), [Holocaust, Jewish \(1939-1945\)](#), [SistersFiction](#), [Heroes--Fiction](#), [Cats-Fiction.](#), [African American air pilots--History](#), [Diplomtas--Japan--Biography--sugihara, Chiune](#), [Jews--Persecutions--Poland--Warsaw](#), [Warsaw Ghetto Uprising-Drama-1943](#), [World War,1939-1945--United States--Fiction](#), [Japanese Americans--Evacuation and relocation, 1942-1945](#), [Christian--X, --King of Denmark,--1870-1947--Fiction](#), [Denmark--History--German occupation, 1940-1945--Fiction](#), [Sugihara, Chiune,--1900-1986](#), [World War, 1939-1945---Jews--Rescue](#), [Righteous Gentiles in the Holocaust](#), [Jewish children in the Holocaust](#), [World War, 1939-1945--Children--Europe](#), [World War, 1939-1045--Aerial operations, American](#), [Tuskegee Army Air Field \(Ala.\)--Fighter Group 332nd--History](#)

Hunger Games, The (LB000104) - Collins, Suzanne; literature box, Senior High, Scholastic, 2008

In a future North America, where the rulers of Panem maintain control through an annual televised survival competition pitting young people from each of the twelve districts against one another, sixteen-year-old Katniss's skills are put to the test when she voluntarily takes her younger sister's place. 35 copies

[Survival-Fiction](#), [Television programs](#), [Interpersonal RelationsFiction](#), [Contests--Fiction](#), [Science](#)

I am Nujood, age 10 and divorced (LB000129) - Ali, Nujood; literature box, Junior High, Senior High, Random House, 2010

The true story of the remarkable 10-year-old Yemeni girl who dared to defy her country's most archaic traditions by fighting for a divorce.

35 copies

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[Child marriage--Yemen \(Republic\)](#), [Ali, Nujood](#), [Girls--Yemen \(Republic\)--Social conditions](#), [Yemen \(Republic\)--Social life and customs](#)

If the shoe fits (LB000074) - Gary, Soto; literature box, Primary, Penguin Books,, 2002

After being teased about his brand new loafers, Rigo puts them away for so long he grows out of them. 6 copies

[UnclesFiction](#), [TeasingFiction](#), [Mexican-Americans-Fiction](#), [Shoes--Fiction](#)

If you lived with the Iroquois (LB000072) - Going, K.L.; literature box, Primary, Intermediate, Scholastic, 1998

One of the most powerful Indian nations in America's history was the Haudenosaunee - the People of the Longhouse. We know them as the Iroquois. This book tells what it was like to grow up in an Iroquois family hundreds of years ago. 35 copies

[Iroquois Indians](#), [Indians of North America](#)

Iqbal (LB000118) - D'Adamo, Francesco; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High, Atheneum, 2003

A fictionalized account of the Pakistani child who escaped from bondage in a carpet factory and went on to help liberate other children like him before being gunned down at the age of thirteen. 16 copies

[Masih, Iqbal,--1982-1995--Fiction](#), [Child labor](#), [Child abuse--Fiction](#), [Rug and carpet industry--Pakistan--Fiction](#)

John Greene (LB000137) - Greene, John; literature box, Senior High, Penguin Books,, 0

Literature Box contains: Will Grayson, Will Grayson - 10 copies; Looking for Alaska - 10 copies; An Abundance of Katherines - 10 copies; Paper Towns - 10 copies

[Coming of age--Fiction](#), [Interpersonal RelationsFiction](#), [Self PerceptionFiction](#), [MathematicsFiction](#), [Schools-Fiction](#), [DeathFiction](#), [Dating \(Social customs\)](#), [Homosexuality--Fiction](#), [Theater-Fiction](#), [Names, PersonalFiction](#), [Chicago \(Ill.\)--Fiction](#), [Missing person--Fiction](#), [Mystery and detective stories--Fiction](#), [Boarding schools-Fiction](#)

Julie of the Wolves (LB000117) - George, Jean Craighead; literature box, Intermediate, Harper and Row,, 1972

When Naomi's absent mother resurfaces to claim her, Naomi runs away to Mexico with her great-grandmother and younger brother in search of her father. 19 copies

[WolvesFiction](#), [Survival-Fiction](#), [Inuit](#), [Alaska](#), [Teenage girls--Fiction](#), [Eskimos--Fiction](#)

Julius Caesar (LB000039) - Shakespeare, William; literature box, Senior High, Prestwick House, 2004

For students struggling with Shakespeare, we have created Side by Sides. With the original text on the left-hand side of the page and a modern, prose rendering on the right-hand side, your students will easily be able to study the greatest drama available. Teacher's guide, activity pack & student response journal included. 30 copies

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[RomeHistoryRepublic, 265-30 B.C.](#), [Generals](#), [Caesar, Julius](#), [GeneralsRomeBiography](#), [Heads of StateRomeBiography](#)

Karen Hesse (LBS00088) - Hesse, Karen; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High, Senior High, Scholastic, 1990

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This literature box contains the following titles by author Karen Hesse. 5 copies of the following: Music of the Dolphins, Stowaway, Aleutian Sparrow, Phoenix Rising, A Time of Angels, Letters from Rifka.

[Racially mixed people--Fiction](#), [Sea Stories](#), [SistersFiction](#), [DeathFiction](#), [Diaries,Fiction](#), [Immigration and emigration](#), [JewsFiction](#), [Letters--Fiction](#), [Friendship-Fiction](#), [Nuclear Power Plants](#), [Nuclear Power Plants-Accidents](#), [Depression--1929--Fiction](#), [Angels--Fiction](#), [Feral children--Fiction](#), [Influenza--Fiction](#), [Aleuts--Fiction](#)

Kite runner (LB000132) - Hosseini, Khaled; literature box, Senior High, Penguin Books,, 2003

An epic tale of fathers and sons, of friendship and betrayal, that takes us from Afghanistan in the final days of the monarchy to the atrocities of the present. The unforgettable, heartbreaking story of the unlikely friendship between a wealthy boy and the son of his father's servant, *The Kite Runner* is a beautifully crafted novel set in a country that is in the process of being destroyed. It is about the power of reading, the price of betrayal, and the possibility of redemption, and it is also about the power of fathers over sons-their love, their sacrifices, their lies. 35 copies

[Kabul \(Afghanistan\)](#), [Male friendship--Fiction](#), [Social classes--Fiction](#), [Afghanistan](#), [Betrayal--Fiction](#), [BoysFiction](#)

Lawn boy (LB000058) - Paulsen, Gary; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High, Random House, 2007

Things get out of hand for a twelve-year-old boy when a neighbor convinces him to expand his summer lawn mowing business. 35 copies

[Money making projects for children--Fiction](#), [Summer employment--Fiction](#), [Business enterprises--Fiction](#)

Lesson before dying (LB000002) - Gaines, Ernest J. 1933-; literature box, Senior High, 1993

Set in a small Cajun community in the late 1940s, *A Lesson Before Dying* is an "enormously moving" (*Los Angeles Times*) novel of one man condemned to die for a crime he did not commit and a young man who visits him in his cell. In the end, the two men forge a bond as they both come to understand the simple heroism of resisting and defying the expected. Winner of the National Book Critics Circle Award for Fiction. 35 copies

[Literature](#)

Lightning thief, The (LB000099) - Riordan, Rick; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High, Hyperion, 2005

After learning that he is the son of a mortal woman and Poseidon, god of the sea, twelve-year-old Percy is sent to a summer camp for demigods like himself, and joins his new friends on a quest to prevent a war between the gods. 35 copies

[Mythology, Greek](#), [Camps--Fiction](#), [Friendship-Fiction](#), [Father and sons--Drama](#), [Zeus \(Greek deity\)](#), [Poseidon \(Greek deity\)--Fiction](#), [Hades\(Greek deity\)--Fiction](#)

Lock and key (LB000106) - Dessen, Sarah; literature box, Junior High, Senior High, Penguin Books,, 2009

When she is abandoned by her alcoholic mother, high school senior Ruby winds up living with Cora, the sister she has not seen for ten years, and learns about Cora's new life, what makes a family, how to allow people to help her when she needs it, and that she too has something to offer others. 35 copies

[Self-actualization \(Psychology\)](#), [Families](#), [Child abuse--Fiction](#), [Interpersonal RelationsFiction](#)

A long walk to water (LB000127) - Park, Linda Sue; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High, Houghton Mifflin, 2009

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When the Sudanese civil war reaches his village in 1985, eleven-year-old Salva becomes separated from his family and must walk with other Dinka tribe members through southern Sudan, Ethiopia, and Kenya in search of safe haven. Based on the life of Salva Dut, who, after emigrating to America in 1996, began a project to dig water wells in Sudan. 35 copies

[Water](#), [Sudan--History--Civil War, 1983-2005](#), [South Sudan--History--Civil War, 1983-2005](#), [Dut, Salva,--1974--Fiction](#), [Refugees--Sudan--Fiction](#), [Blacks--South Sudan--Fiction](#)

Lord of the flies (LB000071) - *William Golding; literature box, Junior High, Senior High , Penguin Books,, 1954*

Shipwrecked English schoolboys set up their own civilization but savagery finally emerges. 35 copies

[Survival skills--Fiction](#), [Nuclear--Fiction](#)

Lovely bones (LB000092) - *Sebold, Alice; literature box, Senior High , Puffin, 2002*

This is the tale of family, memory, love, and living told by 14-year-old Susie Salmon, who is already in heaven. Through the voice of a precocious teenage girl, Susie relates the awful events of her death and builds out of her family's grief a hopeful and joyful story. 35 copies

[Murder victims' families--Fiction](#), [Teenage girls--Crimes against--Fiction](#)

Love that dog (LB000082) - *Creech, Sharon; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High , HarperCollins, 2001*

A young student, who comes to love poetry through a personal understanding of what different famous poems mean to him, surprises himself by writing his own inspired poem.

[Poetry](#)

Maus: a survivors tale (LB000062) - *literature box, Senior High , Pantheon Press, 1986*

Maus is the story of Vladek Spiegelman, a Jewish survivor of Hitler's Europe, and his son, a cartoonist who tries to come to terms with his father, his father's terrifying story, and History itself. 35 copies

[Spiegelman, Vladek--Comic books, strips, etc.](#), [Holocaust, Jewish \(1939-1945\)--Poland--Biography--Comic books, strips,etc.](#), [Holocaust survivors--United States--Biography--Comic books, strips, etc.](#), [Children of Holocaust--Survivors--United States--Biography--Comic books, strips,](#)

Merchant of Venice (LBS00036) - *Shakespeare, William, 1564-1616; literature box, Junior High, Senior High , Candlewick Press, 2004*

The Merchant of Venice is one of Shakespeare's most well-known comedies. Blending tragedy and comedy, Merchant of Venice presents contrasts and ambiguities, the complexities of which lie in the character Shylock, its captivating villain. 35 copies

Series: [Side by Side series](#)

[MerchantsDrama](#), [Venice \(Italy\)Drama](#)

Miss Smith's incredible storybook (LB000078) - *Garland, Michael; literature box, Primary , Puffin, 2003*

When the new teacher, Miss Smith, reads to her class, Zack and his classmates are amazed to find that the storybook characters come to life. 6 copies

[Books and ReadingFiction](#), [Teachers-Fiction](#), [Schools-Fiction](#), [MagicFiciton](#), [Fantasy](#)

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Mr. Lincoln's way (LB000075) - Patricia Polacco; literature box, Primary , Penguin Books,, 2001

When Mr. Lincoln, "the coolest principal in the whole world," discovers that Eugene, the school bully, knows a lot about birds, he uses this interest to help Eugene overcome his intolerance. 6 copies

[PrejudicesFiction](#) , [BirdsFiction](#) , [School principals](#)

My brother Sam is dead (LB000017) - Collier, James Lincoln, 1928-; literature box, Junior High , 1974

All his life, Tim Meeker had looked up to his brother Sam. Sam's smart and brave, and always knows the right thing to do. In fact, everyone in town had admired Sam Meeker. Until now. Now Sam is part of the new American Revolutionary Army. He talks about defeating the British and becoming independent and free. But not everyone in town wants to be a part of this new America. Most people are loyal supporters of the English king - especially Tim and Sam's father. The war is raging, and Tim knows he'll have to make a choice. But how can he choose - when it means fighting his father on one side, and fighting his brother on the other? 35 copies

[United States History Revolution, 1775-1783Fiction](#)

Mystery fiction literature box - 5th Grade (LB000069) - literature box, Intermediate , Random House, 0

Literature box contains the following title: 10 copies per title - Shedderman: Secret Identity by Van Draanen, Wendelin; Disappearing Acts by Byars, Betsy; Blizzard on Blue Mountain by Gregory, Kristiana; Clue at the Bottom of the Lake by Gregory, Kristiana; Voices at Whisper Bend by Ayres, Katherine; Eleven by Giff, Patricia Reilly

[TeasingFiction](#) , [Bullies,Fiction](#) , [Schools-Fiction](#) , [Fathers and Sons-Fiction](#) , [Mystery and Detective Stories](#) , [World War-United States-1939-1945](#) , [IslandsFiction](#) , [SecrecyFiction](#) , [Buried TreasureFiction](#) , [Grandfathers-Fiction](#) , [Reading-Fiction](#) , [New York \(State\)](#) , [Orphans-fiction](#) , [Pennsylvania](#) , [Heroes--Fiction](#) , [Cousins--Fiction](#) , [Ski resorts--Fiction](#) , [Theft--Fiction](#) , [World War--1939-1945--Pennsylvania](#) , [Memory--Fiction](#)

Necessary noise (LB000037) - Cart, Michael; literature box, Senior High , HarperCollins, 2003

These short stories by recognized young adult authors are compelling examples of contemporary literature dealing with all types of family issues. The subject material varies from Walter Dean Myers's powerful description of a father visiting his son on death row to Lois Lowry's tale of a snowbound family reacting to a visit from their college-freshman daughter and her rude, unkempt boyfriend. All of the selections deal with contemporary situations and how these characters attempt to deal with whatever "family" means in their particular experience. Some of the families are fractured idealistically, some physically; yet all must find ways of coping. The stories are tight, characters are realistic, and situations are all too familiar for today's teens. 16 copies

[Short stories](#) , [Family-Fiction](#)

Night trilogy, The (LB000142) - Wiesel, Elie; literature box, Senior High , Hill and Wang, 1990

Autobiographical account of an adolescent boy and his father in Auschwitz. Contains three works of Holocaust literature, including "Night," an account of the author's experiences as a boy at Auschwitz; "Dawn," a short novel about a young Palestinian terrorist who spends the night waiting to execute a British prisoner; and "The Accident," the story of a Holocaust survivor who must choose whether to live or die after being hit by a car. 35 copies - Additional titles One Generation After - 3 copies; - From the Kingdom of Memory - 3 copies; Legends of Ourtime - 3 copies.

[World War, 1934-1945--Personal narrative, Jewish](#) , [Holocaust, Jewish \(1939-1945\)Personal narratives](#) , [Authors, French--20th Century--Biography](#) , [Wiesel, Elie,--1928](#) , [Wiesel, Elie, 1928 --Translation into English](#)

Nothing but the truth (LB000049) - Avi; literature box, Junior High, BKS , HarperCollins, 1991

A ninth grader's suspension for singing "The Star-Spangled Banner" during homeroom becomes a national news story. 35 copies

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[High SchoolsFiction](#)

Novels in verse (LB000139) - *literature box, Junior High, Senior High, Harcourt, 0*

This literature box contains: *Realm of Possibility* by Levithan, David; *Shakespeare Makes the Playoffs* by Koertge, Ron; *Death of Jayson Porter* by Adoff, Jaime; *Solo* by McCormick, Patricia; *Street Love* by Myers, Walter Dean, *Hard Hit* by Turner, Ann; *Because I am Furniture* by Chaltas, Thalia. 5 copies of each title

[Child abuse--Fiction](#), [High SchoolsFiction](#), [Schools-Fiction](#), [Sexual abuse--Fiction](#), [Fathers and Sons-Fiction](#), [Baseball stories--Fiction](#), [Cancer--Fiction](#), [Death--Fiction](#), [Grief--Fiction](#), [Love--Fiction](#), [African Americans--New York \(State\)--New York--Fiction](#), [Harlem \(New York, N.Y.\)--Fiction](#), [Friendship-Fiction](#), [India--Fiction](#), [Human trafficking--Fiction](#), [Nepal--Fiction](#), [Families--Fiction](#), [Teenage girls--India--Fiction](#), [Prostitution--Fiction](#), [Child prostitution--Fiction](#), [SlaveryFiction](#), [Child prostitution--India--Fiction](#), [Interpersonal RelationsFiction](#), [Conduct of LifeFiction](#), [Emotional ProblemsFiction](#), [SuicideFiction](#), [Racially mixed people--Fiction](#), [Guilt--Fiction](#), [Family problemsFiction](#), [Child Sexual Abuse](#), [Dysfunctional families--Fiction](#), [BaseballFiction](#), [Poetry--Fiction](#)

Number the stars (LB000040) - *Lowry, Lois; literature box, Junior High, Senior High, Dell Yearling, 1989*

In 1943, during the German occupation of Denmark, ten-year-old Annemarie learns how to be brave and courageous when she helps shelter her Jewish friend from the Nazis. 30 copies

[World War, 1939-1945, JewsRescueFiciton](#), [DenmarkFiction](#), [World War, 1939-1945, DenmarkFiction](#), [FriendshipFiciton](#), [Newbery Medal](#)

On writing: a memoir of the craft (LB000123) - *King, Stephen; literature box, Senior High, College, Adult, Simon and Schuster, 2000*

In 1999, Stephen King began to write about his craft -- and his life. By midyear, a widely reported accident jeopardized the survival of both. And in his months of recovery, the link between writing and living became more crucial than ever. A series of vivid memories from adolescence, college, and the struggling years that led up to his first novel, *Carrie*, will afford readers a fresh and often very funny perspective on the formation of a writer. King next turns to the basic tools of his trade -- how to sharpen and multiply them through use, and how the writer must always have them close at hand. He takes the reader through crucial aspects of the writer's art and life, offering practical and inspiring advice on everything from plot and character development to work habits and rejection. Serialized in the *New Yorker* to vivid acclaim *On Writing* culminates with a profoundly moving account of how King's overwhelming need to write spurred him toward recovery, and brought him back to his life. 35 c

[Authors, American 20th Century Biography](#), [Horror Tales](#), [Authorship](#), [Horror tales-- Authorships](#), [King, Stephen,1947--](#), [King, Stephen, 1947--Style](#)

Our Town (LB000003) - *Wilder, Thornton, 1897-1975; literature box, Senior High, 1989*

First produced and published in 1938, this Pulitzer Prize winning drama of life in the small village of Grover's Corners has become an American classic and is Thornton Wilder's most renowned and most frequently performed play. 35 copies

[Literature](#), [City and Town Life](#), [City and town life--New Hampshire--Drama](#), [Young women--New Hampshire--Drama](#), [New Hampshire](#)

Out of bounds (LBS00060) - *Naidoo, Beverly; literature box, Junior High, Senior High, Harper and Row,, 2003*

Seven stories, spanning the time period from 1948 to 2000, chronicle the experiences of young people from different races and ethnic groups as they try to cope with the restrictions placed on their lives by South Africa's apartheid laws. 35 copies

[Apartheid--Fiction](#), [Children's stories, South Africa \(English\)](#)

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Out of the Dust (LB000089) - Hesse, Karen; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High, Senior High, Scholastic, 1997

In a series of poems, fifteen-year-old Billie Jo relates the hardships of living on her family's wheat farm in Oklahoma during the dust bowl years of the Depression. Exquisitely written, this Newbery Medal-winner is a poetic, compelling, and often melancholy novel of a young girl growing up in the Oklahoma Dust Bowl during the Depression. 25 copies

[Dust storms--Fiction](#), [Farm life--Fiction](#), [Depression--1929--Fiction](#), [Poetry](#), [Dust Bowl Era, 1931-1939](#), [Farm life--Oklahoma--Fiction](#)

Parvana's journey (LB000119) - Ellis, Deborah; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High, Viking Press, 2002

After her father's death, Parvana, now thirteen-years-old, continues to search for her mother in war-torn Afghanistan, joining with two younger children who are also struggling to survive. 17 copies

[Families](#), [Survival-Fiction](#), [War Fiction](#), [Afghanistan--Fiction](#), [Taliban](#), [Missing persons--Afghanistan](#), [Teenage girls--Afghanistan](#), [Determination \(Personality trait\)](#)

Pearl, The (LB000112) - Steinbeck, John; literature box, Junior High, Senior High, Viking Press, 1947

Based on a Mexican folktale, this is the story of a great pearl found by a poor fisherman, the sorrow it brought to his family, and how it was lost again. 35 copies

[Mexico--Fiction](#), [Avarie--Fiction](#), [Pearl divers--Fiction](#)

Peterson first guide: insects (LB000027) - Leahy, Christopher W.; literature box, Intermediate, Houghton Mifflin, 1987

Peterson First Guide to Insects by Christopher Leahy, features: 203 common and conspicuous insects of North America; introductory sections on observing insects, parts of insects, and more; the famous Peterson identification system, which shows you exactly what to look for. 35 copies

[Insects](#), [Science](#)

Peterson first guide: rocks and minerals (LB000028) - Pough, Frederick H.; literature box, Senior High, Houghton Mifflin, 1993

The Peterson First Guide to Rocks and Minerals by Frederick Pough features: beautiful color photographs and concise descriptions of more than 250 rocks and minerals most interesting to collectors; simple accounts of how and where igneous, sedimentary, and metamorphic rocks are formed and information for the beginner on how to identify rocks and minerals and where to find the best specimens. 35 copies

[Earth sciences](#), [Rocks](#), [Science](#)

Peterson first guides: clouds and weathe (LB000025) - Day, John A.; literature box, Intermediate, 1991, Houghton Mifflin, 1999

Peterson First Guide to Clouds and Weather by John Day and Vincent Schaefer features: 116 color photographs that show how to identify clouds, with explanations of what each cloud type tells about the weather to come; easy to understand diagrammatic answers to questions about the weather, such as why the sky is blue, what makes it rain, and what causes rainbows; and an introduction to environmental concerns that affect the atmosphere. 35 copies

[Science](#), [Clouds](#), [Weather](#), [Meteorology](#)

Peterson first guide: trees (LB000026) - Petrides, George; literature box, Intermediate, Houghton Mifflin, 1993

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Peterson First Guide to Trees by George Petrides, features: 243 common and conspicuous trees of North America; full color illustrations and a clear, precise description of each tree; information on the ecology and natural history of trees, including the ways they are used by people and animals; Peterson identification system, which uses arrows on the illustrations and italics in the description to show you exactly what to look for. 35 copies

[Environment](#) , [Trees](#) , [Science](#)

Pictures of Hollis Woods (LBS00034) - Giff, Patricia Reilly, 1935-; literature box, Junior High , Random House, 2002

A troublesome twelve-year-old orphan, staying with an elderly artist who needs her, remembers the only other time she was happy in a foster home, with a family that truly seemed to care about her. 35 copies

[Foster Home Care--Fiction](#) , [Orphans-fiction](#) , [Family Life-Fiction](#) , [New York \(State\)--Fiction](#) , [Artists--Fiction](#) , [Old Age-fiction](#)

Pigman, The (LB000108) - Zinel, Paul; literature box, Junior High, Senior High , HarperCollins, 1968

A teenage boy and girl, high school sophomores from unhappy homes, tell of their bizarre relationship with an old man. 35 copies of book

[Teenagers](#) , [Aged men-Fiction](#)

Readicide (LB000102) - Gallagher, Kelly; literature box, Adult , Stenhouse Publishers, 2009

From the Publisher: Read-i-cide n: The systematic killing of the love of reading, often exacerbated by the inane, mind-numbing practices found in schools. Reading is dying in our schools. Educators are familiar with many of the factors that have contributed to the decline-poverty, second-language issues, and the ever-expanding choices of electronic entertainment. In this provocative new book, Kelly Gallagher suggests, however, that it is time to recognize a new and significant contributor to the death of reading: our schools. In Readicide, Kelly argues that American schools are actively (though unwittingly) furthering the decline of reading. Specifically, he contends that the standard instructional practices used in most schools are killing reading by: valuing the development of test-takers over the development of lifelong readers; mandating breadth over depth in instruction; requiring students to read difficult texts without proper instructional support; insisting that students focus solely o

[Reading--United States](#) , [LiteracyUnited States](#) , [Reading promotion--United States](#)

Roald Dahl (LB000124) - Dahl, Roald , Puffin, 1995

James and the Giant Peach - 10 copies - 1 DVD 1 Unabridged CD; Charlie and the Chocolate - 10 copies - 1 DVD 1 Unabridged CD; The Twits - 10 copies - 1 Unabridged CD; Matilda - 10 copies - 1 DVD, 1 Unabridged CD

[Humorous Stories](#) , [BehaviorFiciton](#) , [Schools-Fiction](#) , [Fantasy](#) , [ImaginationFiction](#) , [AuntsFiction](#) , [BoysFiction](#) , [Insects](#) , [EnglandFiction](#) , [Gifted Children](#) , [Parent and ChildFiction](#) , [Teacher-student Relationships](#) , [Adventure stories](#) , [Peach \(Fruit\)--Fiction](#) , [Magic crystals--Fiction](#)

Sea of monsters, The (LB000100) - literature box, Intermediate, Junior High , Hyperion, 2006

Demi-god Percy Jackson and his friends must journey into the Sea of Monsters to save their camp. But first Percy will discover a secret that makes him wonder whether being claimed as Poseidon's son is an honor or a cruel joke. 35 copies

[Friendship-Fiction](#) , [Hades\(Greek deity\)--Fiction](#) , [Zeus \(Greek deity\)](#) , [Monsters,Fiction](#) , [Mythology](#)

Secret Garden, The (LB000111) - Burnett, Frances Hodgison; literature box, Intermediate , Lippincott, 1962

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Ten-year-old Mary comes to live in a lonely house on the Yorkshire moors and discovers an invalid cousin and the mysteries of a locked garden. 35 copies

[OrphansFiction](#) , [GardensFiction](#) , [People with Disabilities](#)

Seedfolks (LB000015) - *Fleischman, Paul; literature box, Junior High, Senior High , 1997*

A vacant lot, rat-infested and filled with garbage, looked like no place for a garden. Especially to a neighborhood of strangers where no one seems to care. Until one day, a young girl clears a small space and digs into the hard-packed soil to plant her precious bean seeds. Suddenly, the soil holds promise: To Curtis, who believes he can win back Lateesha's heart with a harvest of tomatoes; to Virgil's dad, who sees a fortune to be made from growing lettuce; and even to Marciela, sixteen and pregnant, wishing she were dead. Thirteen very different voices - old, young, Haitian, Hispanic, tough, haunted, and hopeful tell one amazing story about a garden that transforms a neighborhood. 35 copies

[GardensFiction](#) , [NeighborhoodFiction](#) , [City and Town LifeFiction](#)

Snow falling on cedars (LB000133) - *Gutterson, David; literature box, Senior High , Random House, 1995*

San Pedro Island, north of Puget Sound, is a place so isolated that no one who lives there can afford to make enemies. But in 1954 a local fisherman is found suspiciously drowned, and a Japanese American named Kabuo Miyamoto is charged with his murder. In the course of the ensuing trial, it becomes clear that what is at stake is more than a man's guilt. For on San Pedro, memory grows as thickly as cedar trees and the fields of ripe strawberries--memories of a charmed love affair between a white boy and the Japanese girl who grew up to become Kabuo's wife; memories of land desired, paid for, and lost. Above all, San Pedro is haunted by the memory of what happened to its Japanese residents during World War II, when an entire community was sent into exile while its neighbors watched. Gripping, tragic, and densely atmospheric, *Snow Falling on Cedars* is a masterpiece of suspense one that leaves us shaken and changed. Haunting. A whodunit complete with courtroom maneuvering and surprising turns of

[Japanese AmericansFiction](#) , [Trials \(Murder\)--Fiction](#) , [Journalists--Fiction](#) , [Washington \(State\)--Fiction](#) , [Legal stories](#)

Sonya Sones collection (LB000136) - *Sones, Sonya; literature box , Simon & Schuster, 0*

Literature box contains: *What My Girlfriend Doesn't Know* - 10 copies; *What My Mother Doesn't Know* - 10 copies; *Stop Pretending What Happened When My Big Sister Went Crazy* - 10 copies; *One of Those Hideous Books Where the Mother Dies* - 10 copies.

[Mental illness--Fiction](#) , [SistersFiction](#) , [Family problemsFiction](#) , [Popularity--Fiction](#) , [Self-esteemFiction](#) , [Dating \(Social customs\)](#) , [High SchoolsFiction](#) , [Schools-Fiction](#) , [Artists--Fiction](#) , [Novels in verse](#) , [Love--Fiction](#) , [Love stories](#) , [fathers and daughters -- Fiction](#) , [Moving, HouseholdFiction](#) , [Actors and Actresses](#) , [Grief](#) , [Interpersonal RelationsFiction](#) , [Los Angeles \(Calif\)Fiction](#) , [Homosexuality--Fiction](#) , [Boston \(Mass.\)--Fiction](#)

Speak (LB000014) - *Anderson, Laurie Halse, 1961-; literature box, Junior High, Senior High , 1999*

Melinda Sordino busted an end-of-summer party by calling the cops, so her old friends won't talk to her, and people she doesn't know hate her from a distance. The safest place to be is alone, inside her own head. But even that's not safe. Because there's something she's trying not to think about, something about the night of the party that, if she let it in, would blow her carefully constructed disguise to smithereens. And she would have to speak the truth. 35 copies

[RapeFiction](#) , [Mental HealthFiction](#) , [EmotionsFiction](#) , [Emotional ProblemsFiction](#) , [SchoolsFiction](#) , [High SchoolsFiction](#)

Stargirl (LB000094) - *Spinelli, Jerry; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High , Random House, 2000*

In this story about the perils of popularity, the courage of nonconformity, and the thrill of first love, an eccentric student named Stargirl changes Mica High School forever.

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[High SchoolsFiction](#) , [Arizona](#) , [Individuality--Fiction](#) , [Eccentrics and eccentricities--Fiction](#) , [Popularity--Fiction](#)

Stink: the incredible shrinking kid (LB000073) - *Megan McDonald; literature box, Primary , Candlewick Press, 2006*

The shortest kid in the second grade, James Moody, also known as Stink, learns all about the shortest president of the United States, James Madison, when they celebrate Presidents' Day at school. 6 copies.

[Schools-Fiction](#) , [Brothers and Sisters-Fiction](#) , [SizeFiction](#) , [Presidents](#)

Sunrise over Fallujah (LB000097) - *Myers, Walter, Dean; literature box, Junior High, Senior High , Scholastic, 2008*

Robin Perry, from Harlem, is sent to Iraq in 2003 as a member of the Civilian Affairs Battalion, and his time there profoundly changes him. 35 copies

[Iraq War, 2003 -](#) , [War Fiction](#) , [African Americans--Fiction](#) , [War stories--Fiction](#)

Susan Beth Pfeffer (LB000138) - *Pfeffer, Susan Beth; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High , Harcourt, 0*

Life as We Knew It - 15 copies; Dead & the Gone - 15 copies

[Families--Fiction](#) , [Diaries,Fiction](#) , [Survival-Fiction](#) , [Brothers and Sisters-Fiction](#) , [New York \(N.Y.\)](#) , [Natural disasters--Fiction](#) , [Puerto Ricans--New York--\(State\)](#)

Sweet and sour: tales from China (LB000114) - *Kendall, Carol & Yao-wen LI; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High , Penguin Books,, 1979*

A collection of tales from various periods of Chinese history. 35 copies

[Tales--China](#) , [Folklore--China](#)

Tale of Despereaux (LB000044) - *DiCamillo, Kate; literature box, Intermediate , PermaBound, 2003*

Despereaux Tilling is a mouse-but he's not like all the other mice. He's a romantic at heart, and he's in love with Princess Pea. That love gets him sent to the rat-filled dungeon. Despereaux eventually meets two kindred spirits, a rat and a peasant girl, who all yearn for what they are told they can't have.

[Fairy talesFiction](#) , [MiceFiction](#)

Tears of a tiger (LB000101) - *Draper, Sharon M.; literature box, Junior High, Senior High , Atheneum, 1994*

The death of high school basketball star Rob Washington in an automobile accident affects the lives of his close friend Andy, who was driving the car, and many others in the school. 35 copies

[DeathFiction](#) , [High SchoolsFiction](#) , [Schools-Fiction](#) , [African Americans--Fiction](#)

That Night (LBS00004) - *McDermott, Alice, 1953-; literature box, Senior High , 1987*

Suburban Long Island in the 60s is the setting for this story of the binding love between a young couple, and the drastic actions they must take when she becomes pregnant. From the author of the Bigamist's Daughter, Alice Mc Dermott. 35 copies

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There's a boy in the girl's bathroom (LB000115) - *Sachar, Louis; literature box, Primary, Intermediate , Random House, 1987*

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An unmanageable, but lovable, eleven-year-old misfit learns to believe in himself when he gets to know the new school counselor, who is a sort of misfit too. 28 copies

[BehaviorFiction](#), [Friendship-Fiction](#), [Schools-Fiction](#), [Conduct of Life-fiction](#), [Student counselors--Fiction](#), [Counselors--Fiction](#)

Thief lord, The (LB00126) - Funke, Cornelia; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High, Scholastic, 2002

Escaping the aunt who wants to adopt only one of them, two orphaned brothers run away from Hamburg to Venice, finding shelter with a gang of street children and their leader, the thirteen-year-old "Thief Lord," while also eluding the detective hired to return them to Germany. 35 copies; 1 DVD; 1 Unabridged CD

[Runaway children](#), [Runaways--Fiction](#), [Robbers & Outlaws-fiction](#), [BrothersFiction](#), [OrphansFiction](#), [Venice \(Italy\)Drama](#), [Italy--Drama](#)

Things fall apart (LB000059) - Achebe, Chinua; literature box, Senior High, EMC Paradigm, 2003

A simple story of a "strong man" whose life is dominated by fear and anger ... Uniquely ... African, at the same time it reveals [the author's] ... awareness of the human qualities common to men of all times and places. 35 copies

[Igbo \(African people\)--Fiction](#), [British--Nigeria--Fiction](#), [Men--Nigeria--Fiction](#)

Things they carried, The (LBS00098) - O'Brien, Tim; literature box, Senior High, Penguin Books,, 1990

Depicts the men of Alpha Company: Jimmy Cross, Henry Dobbins, Rat Kiley, Mitchell Sanders, Norman Bowker, Kiowa, and of course, the character Tim O'Brien who has survived his tour in Vietnam to become a father and writer at the age of forty-three. They battle the enemy (or maybe more the idea of the enemy), and occasionally each other. In their relationships we see their isolation and loneliness, their rage and fear. They miss their families, their girlfriends and buddies; they miss the lives they left back home. Yet they find sympathy and kindness for strangers (the old man who leads them unscathed through the mine field, the girl who grieves while she dances), and love for each other, because in Vietnam they are the only family they have. We hear the voices of the men and build images upon their dialogue. The way they tell stories about others, we hear them telling stories about themselves. With the creative verve of the greatest fiction and the intimacy of a searing autobiography. 35 copies

[Short stories](#), [Autobiographical novel](#), [Vietnam War, 1961-1975--Veterans--United States--Fiction](#), [Vietnam War, 1961-1975--Fiction](#), [Psychological fiction](#)

To kill a mockingbird (LB000093) - Lee, Harper; literature box, Junior High, Senior High, Puffin, 1960

The explosion of racial hate in an Alabama town is viewed by a little girl whose father defends a black man accused of rape. 35 copies

[fathers and daughters -- Fiction](#), [Southern States--Race relations](#), [Race RelationsFiction](#), [Girls--Fiction](#), [Trials \(Rape\)--Fiction](#)

True confessions of a heartless girl/ Fat kid (LBS00035) - Brooks, Martha / Going, Kelly; literature box, Senior High, HarperCollins, 2003

True Confessions of a Heartless Girl - In the midst of a heaven-rattling summer storm a young stranger blows into a small prairie town. On the run after taking her latest boyfriend's truck, with a pocketful of stolen money and a heart full of pain, seventeen-year old Noreen Stall seems to invite trouble. And trouble comes soon enough as Noreen's new mistakes trigger calamities that shake the lives of the residents of Pembina Lake. Fat Kid Rules the World - Troy, a 17-year-old 298 pound "Fat Kid," is considering suicide, but can't think of an approach that won't be funny to those who stifle giggles when they see him carry out everyday tasks. Deep in thought, Troy doesn't notice Curt watching him. Curt interrupts and claims that Troy owes him lunch in exchange for saving his life. Going named Curt after Kurt Cobain, an appropriate namesake

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for this troubled, genius guitar player determined to form a punk rock band. Curt is convinced Troy is the ideal drummer-except that Troy can't play the drums

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Tuck Everlasting (LB00010) - *Babbitt, Natalie; literature box, Intermediate , PermaBound, 1995*

When ten-year-old Winnie Foster stumbles upon the Tuck family's disturbing secret, she is forced to come to terms with her conflicting emotions. She feels drawn to the loving, gentle and rather eccentric Tucks, but what they tell her is too incredible to be believed. Doomed to or blessed with eternal life after drinking from a magic spring, the Tuck family tries to make Winnie understand that the terrible magic of the forest spring can never be revealed. The consequences to the world could prove disastrous! 35 copies

[ImmortalityFiction](#) , [SecrecyFiction](#) , [AgingFiction](#)

Uncle Tom's Cabin (LBS00030) - *Stowe, Harriet Beecher, 1811-1896.; literature box, Senior High , Harper and Row,, 1958*

Describes the lives of slaves and abolitionists in the 1800s, historical discussions of the Underground Railroad, slave trade, and plantation life. 35 copies

[SlaveryFiction](#) , [Afro-AmericanFiction.](#) , [Plantation LifeFiction.](#)

Under the blood-red sun (LB000054) - *Salisbury, Graham; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High , Delacorte Press, 1994*

Tomikazu Nakaji's biggest concerns are baseball, homework, and a local bully, until life with his Japanese family in Hawaii changes drastically after the bombing of Pearl Harbor in December 1941.35 copies of book.

[Japanese AmericansFiction](#) , [Hawaii](#) , [Pearl Harbor \(Hawaii\), Attack on, 1941--Fiction](#) , [World War, 1939-1945--Fiction](#)

Unite or die: how the thirteen states became a nation (LB000103) - *Jules, Jacqueline; literature box, Intermediate , Charlesbridge, 2000*

The children of Forest Lake Elementary trod the boards in a dramatic reenactment of how the United States Constitution came to be. Full of facts about the call for a national government and the Constitutional Convention, this book presents American history with personality, good humor, and energy. 35 copies

[United States Constitution](#) , [Constitutional history-United States](#) , [United States--Politics and government--1783-1789](#)

Vote! (LB000031) - *Christelow, Eileen; literature box, Primary , Clarion Books,, 2003*

Using a town's mayoral election as a model, this lively introduction to voting covers every step of the process from the start of the campaign to Election Day. There's even a recount! Told in comic book style, this look at how we choose our leaders turns an often-daunting topic into an exciting narrative.35 copies

[Elections](#) , [Voting](#)

Waiting for Wings (LB000011) - *Ehlert, Lois; literature box, Primary, Intermediate , Harcourt, 2001*

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Butterflies bloom as delicately as flowers in this visually magnificent story of beginnings, middles and ends: eggs, caterpillars and finally butterflies. Drama and beauty and an appreciation of nature will make this video a true favorite with children.

[Butterflies](#) , [Butterfly gardens](#)

Warriors don't cry (LBS00096) - *Beals, Melba Pattillo; literature box, Senior High , Simon & Schuster, 1994*

In 1957 Melba Pattillo turned sixteen. That was also the year she became a warrior on the front lines of a civil rights firestorm. Following the landmark 1954 Supreme Court ruling, *Brown v. Board Education*, she was one of nine teenagers chosen to integrate Little Rock's Central High School. This is her remarkable story. You will listen to the cruel taunts of her schoolmates and their parents. You will run with her from the threat of a lynch mob's rope. You will share her terror as she dodges lighted sticks of dynamite, and her pain as she washes away the acid sprayed into her eyes. But most of all you will share Melba's dignity and courage as she refuses to back down. 35 copies

[School integration--Arkansas--Little Rock--History--20th century](#) , [Central High School \(Little Rock, Ark.\)--History](#) , [African American students--Arkansas--Little Rock--Biography](#) , [Beals, Melba Pattillo](#)

Wednesday wars, The (LB000067) - *Schmidt, Gary D.; literature box, Junior High, Senior High , Houghton Mifflin, 2007*

Meet Holling Hoodhood, a seventh-grader at Camillo Junior High, who must spend Wednesday afternoons with his teacher, Mrs. Baker, while the rest of the class has religious instruction. Mrs. Baker doesn't like Holling--he's sure of it. Why else would she make him read the plays of William Shakespeare outside class? But everyone has bigger things to worry about, like Vietnam. His father wants Holling and his sister to be on their best behavior: the success of his business depends on it. But how can Holling stay out of trouble when he has so much to contend with? A bully demanding cream puffs; angry rats; and a baseball hero signing autographs the very same night Holling has to appear in a play in yellow tights! As fate sneaks up on him again and again, Holling finds Motivation--the Big M--in the most unexpected places and musters up the courage to embrace his destiny, in spite of himself. 35 copies of book

[Shakespeare, William, 1564-1616](#) , [Family Life-Fiction](#) , [Schools-Fiction](#) , [Coming of age--Fiction](#) , [Shakespeare, William--1564-1616--Plays--Fiction](#) , [Junior high school--Fiction](#) , [Family life--Long Island \(N.Y.\)--Fiction](#) , [Long Island \(N.Y.\)--History--20th century--Fiction](#)

Whale talk (LB000055) - *Cruther, Christopher; literature box, Junior High, Senior High , Dell, 2001*

Intellectually and athletically gifted, TJ, a multiracial, adopted teenager, shuns organized sports and the gung-ho athletes at his high school until he agrees to form a swimming team and recruits some of the school's less popular students. 35 copies

[Sports](#) , [High SchoolsFiction](#) , [Schools-Fiction](#) , [Adoption,Fiction.](#) , [Swimming--Fiction](#) , [Racially mixed people--Fiction](#)

Whirligig (LB000057) - *Fleishman, Paul; literature box, Junior High , Scholastic, 1998*

While traveling to each corner of the country to build a whirligig in memory of the girl whose death he causes, sixteen-year-old Brian finds forgiveness and atonement. 35 copies of book

[Voyages and Travel](#) , [Whirligigs--Ficiton](#) , [Forgiveness--Fiction](#)

Witness (LB000056) - *Hess, Karen; literature box, Junior High , Scholastic, 2001*

A series of poems express the views of various people in a small Vermont town, including a young black girl and a young Jewish girl, during the early 1920s when the Ku Klux Klan is trying to infiltrate the town. 35 copies of book.

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A wrinkle in time (LB000023) - L'Engle, Madeleine, 1918-; literature box, Junior High , PermaBound, 1997

Meg Murray and her friends become involved with unearthly strangers and a search for Meg's father, who disappeared while engaged in secret work for the government. 35 copies of book, unabridged audio cassettes.

[Space & TimeFiction](#) , [ScienceFiction](#) , [Time TravelFiction](#) , [Murder--Investigation--Mississippi--Drama](#)

Year Down Yonder, A (LB000045) - Peck, Richard; literature box, Intermediate, Junior High , Puffin, 2000

It is 1937 and Mary Alice has been sent down to southern Illinois to live with Grandma Dowdel, while her parents try to survive the Great Depression in Chicago. Mary Alice has never traveled by train alone; her brother Joe was with her every summer that she spent with Grandma; now he is in the Civilian Conservation Corps in California. With her radio, her cat Bootsie, and her trunk, Mary Alice meet Grandma on the station platform. There are no hugs; Grandma is not the hugging type.

[Country LifellinoisFiction](#) , [GrandmothersFiction](#) , [IllinoisFiction](#)