

# LES READING OLYMPICS

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## WHAT IS LES READING OLYMPICS?

A voluntary reading program designed to motivate LES students to incorporate reading into their daily lives and foster a lifelong habit of learning.

## HOW DOES LES READING OLYMPICS WORK?

Students and parents who participate must sign a contract agreeing to read books from category areas on their reading list. All students who reach their goal will receive special recognition at LES Awards Day.

## DO I HAVE TO READ ONLY BOOKS ON THE READING LIST?

No. This suggested reading list is only to help you find books in each category area. You may read books from the list, but you may also find other books that fit under each category area. Your parents, teachers, or librarian can help you.

## WHAT IF I AM PARTICIPATING IN OTHER READING MOTIVATION PROGRAMS?

Students participating in other reading motivation programs may count books read for those programs towards the LES Reading Olympics program.

## HOW DO I VERIFY THAT I READ THE BOOKS?

Record each book (including title and author) on the Reading Log. Make sure the student and parent sign the Log before it is returned to the library. Only the Reading Log needs to be returned. You may keep the Reading List booklet.

## WHEN IS MY READING LOG FORM DUE?

The deadline for turning in the Reading Log form is March 19, 2013.

## WHAT DO I GET FOR PARTICIPATING?

The most important reward for reading is the satisfaction of entering the kingdom of books. You will meet people, visit places, and experience events you might never encounter otherwise. In addition, medals will be given to those students who meet the requirements for award levels in the program. (Award Levels are listed on the back.)

## WHAT ELSE DO I HAVE TO KNOW?

\* Credit will only be given for reading (aloud or silently) a book and/or listening to a book read in its entirety.

\* We encourage the student to do most of the reading; however, it is still a pleasure, as well as beneficial, for older students to have books read aloud to them by their parents and teachers. This is valid for this program.

\* Viewing television, film, or video adaptations of books are excellent complements to literature appreciation, but are not a substitute for reading the books and cannot be counted.

\* Students are required to discuss their books with a parent, relative, guardian, or teacher, however, they are not required to record this on the reading log.

\* We encourage use of the public library, school library, and your own collection of books.

\* The goal of Reading Olympics is to encourage parents and their children to choose and read books together. Because of this we require parents of Reading Olympics students to sign a contract stating that they will help their child reach his or her chosen goal. To help with this, parents themselves may obtain a library card from LES Library and check out 5 books at a time for 2 weeks.

\* Books can only be counted once in one Category.

**LES READING OLYMPICS**  
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**Level 1 (GRADES 1-2)**

**Bronze Medal Award (45 + books)**

- \* 2 books from each category on the Reading List Level 1 (20)
- \* 5 award books (5)
- \* 20 free choice (20)

**Silver Medal Award (55+ books)**

- \* 3 books from each category on the Reading List Level 1 (30)
- \* 5 award books (5)
- \* 20 free choice (20)

**Principal's Gold Medal Award (75+ books)**

- \* 5 books from each category on the Reading List Level 1 (50)
- \* 5 award books (5)
- \* 20 free choice (20)

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**LES READING OLYMPICS CONTRACT**

\_\_\_\_\_ YES, my child would like to participate in the LES READING OLYMPICS. I understand that this is an enrichment program that requires active supervision and assistance by a parent/guardian. I (the parent or guardian) will designate other adult reading partners to assist us in this program if needed.

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Child Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**READING LOG--LEVEL 1 (Grades 1 & 2)**

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**We verify that this Reading Log information is accurate.**

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Teacher Signature \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please do not attach extra pages to this log.

*Below this line for library use:*

**Award Reached:**  
**Bronze** \_\_\_\_\_ **Silver** \_\_\_\_\_ **Gold** \_\_\_\_\_

Librarian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

# READING LOG--LEVEL 1 (Grades 1 & 2))

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Category: Funny Stories

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Category: Biographies

Category: Holiday Fun

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Category: Family, Home, School, & Neighborhood

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Category: Fantasy

Category: Poetry & Stories in Rhyme

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### **CATEGORY: FAIRY TALES, FOLKTALES, LEGENDS, & MYTHS**

Borreguita & the Coyote. Verna Aardema. A little lamb uses her clever wiles to keep a coyote from eating her up. (398.24 AAR)

\*Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears. Verna Aardema. A retelling of the African folktale which explains the mosquitoes' buzz. [Caldecott] (398.2 AAR)

Is My Friend at Home? John Bierhorst. A collection of traditional tales originally told in the Hopi pueblos of Arizona. (398.2 BIE)

The Mitten: a Ukrainian Folktale. Jan Brett. Several animals sleep snugly in Nicki's lost mitten until the bear sneezes. (398.21 BRE)

\*Fanny's Dream. Caralyn Buehner. In this take-off of the Cinderella story, a sturdy farm girl dreams of marrying a prince, but when her fairy godmother doesn't show up, she decides on a local farmer. [Bluebonnet] (E BUE)

\*Stone Soup, an Old Tale. Marcia Brown. Soup is made from stones. [Caldecott] (398.21 BRO)

The Cow-Tail Switch and Other West African Stories. Harold Courlander. Contains 17 stories gathered from the Ashantis of West Africa. (398.2 COU)

The Silver Cow: a Welsh Tale. Susan Cooper. A magical silver cow makes a family wealthy until the father becomes greedy. (398.2 COO)

The Mysterious Giant of Barletta: an Italian Folktale. Tomie DePaola. The giant statue that has always stood in front of the church of San Sepolcro in Barletta is called upon to save the town. (E DE)

\*Strega Nona: Original Tale. Tomie De Paola. Strega Nona leaves Anthony alone with her magic pasta pot. [Caldecott] (398.2 DE)

The Teeny-Tiny Woman: A Ghost story. Paul Galdone. A little old lady finds a bone. (398.2 GAL)

\*The Girl who Loved Wild Horses. Paul Goble. An Indian girl has a special understanding and love for wild horses. [Caldecott] (398.2 GOB)

\*Village of Round and Square Houses. Ann Grifalconi. A grandmother explains why in their village the men live in square houses and the women in round ones [Caldecott] (398.2 GRI)

The Girl Who Spun Gold. Virginia Hamilton. A West Indian version of the Rumpelstiltskin story. (398.2 HAM)

\*Juan Verdades: The Man Who Couldn't Tell a Lie. Joe Hayes. A wealthy rancher is so certain of the honesty of his foreman that he wagers his ranch. [Bluebonnet] (398.2 HAY)

Saint George and the Dragon: a Golden Legend. Margaret Hodges. George the Red Cross Knight, slays the dreadful dragon that has been terrorizing the countryside for years and brings peace and joy to the land. (398.2 HOD)

Two of Everything. Lily Toy Hong. A poor old Chinese farmer finds a magic brass pot that doubles whatever is placed inside it, but this leads to trouble. (398.21 HON)

\*One Fine Day. Nonny Hogrogian. Retelling of an old Armenian folk tale about a fox. [Caldecott] (398.24 HOG)

The Tale of Rabbit and Coyote. Tony Johnston. Rabbit outwits coyote in this Zapotec tale which explains why coyotes howl at the moon. (398.2 JOH)

Paul Bunyan: A Tall Tale. Steven Kellogg. Witty and nicely illustrated version of this classic tall tale. (398.2 KEL)

Anansi and the Moss-covered Rock. Eric Kimmel. A series of trickster tales featuring the infamous African folktale trickster, Anansi the Spider. Eric A. Kimmel. (398.24 KIM)

The Gingerbread Man. Eric A. Kimmel. A freshly baked gingerbread man escapes when he is taken out of the oven and eludes a number of animals until he meets a clever fox. (KIT 398.21 KIM)

\*John Henry. Julius Lester. Retells the life of the legendary African-American hero who raced against a steam drill to cut through a mountain [Caldecott] (398.21 LES)

Yeh-Shen: a Cinderella Story from China. Ai-Ling Louie. A young Chinese girl overcomes the wickedness of her stepsister and stepmother to become the bride of a prince. (398.2 LOU)

Little Red Cowboy Hat. Susan Lowell. A Southwestern version of "Little Red Riding Hood" in which Little Red rides her pony Buck to Grandma's ranch. (398.2 LOW)

The Three Little Javelinas. Susan Lowell. A Southwestern adaptation of the "Three Little Pigs." (E LOW)

Mabela, the Clever. Margaret MacDonald. An African folktale about a mouse who plays close attention to her surroundings and avoids being tricked by the cat. (398.2 MAC)

The Twelve Dancing Princesses. Marianna Mayer. A young man finally discovers how the king's 12 daughters wear out their shoes every night, while they are supposed to be sleeping. (398.2 MAY)

\*Arrow to the Sun. Gerald McDermott. A young Indian boy searches for his father, the Sun. [Caldecott] (398.2 MCD)

Papagayo. Gerald McDermott. A noisy parrot helps the night animals save the moon from being eaten up by the moon dog. (E MCD)

Raven. (398.2 MCD)

Coyote. (398.24 MCD)

Jabuti, the Tortoise. (398.2 MCD)

A series of trickster tales from around the world retold by Gerald McDermott. . (398.2 MCD)

Subira Subira. Tololwa Mollel. Set in Tanzania, this version of a traditional tale describes how a young girl learns a lesson in patience. (398.2 MOL)

Kate and the Beanstalk. Mary Pope Osborne. In this version of the classic tale, a girl climbs to the top of a giant beanstalk, where she uses her quick wits to outsmart a giant and make her and her mother's fortune. (398.2 OSB)

The Ugly Duckling. Jerry Pinkney. An ugly duckling spends an unhappy year before he grows into a beautiful swan. (E PIN)

Uncle Nacho's Hat. Harriet Rohmer. A bilingual folktale from Nicaragua about a well-meaning man who can't figure out how to make changes in his life until his niece shows him how. (398.2 ROH)

\*The Talking Eggs. Robert D. San Souci. A southern folktale in which kind Blanche, following the instructions of an old woman, gains riches, while her greedy sister makes fun of the old woman and is duly rewarded. [Bluebonnet] (398.21 SAN)

\*The True Story of the Three Little Pigs. Jon Scieszka. The wolf gives his version. [Bluebonnet] (E SCI)

Cajun Folktales. Celia Soper. Presents six folktales from southern Louisiana, featuring Lapin the rabbit and Bouki, the coyote or wolf. (398.2 SOP)

\*Tops and Bottoms. Janet Stevens. Hare turns his bad luck around by striking a clever deal with the rich and lazy bear down the road. [Caldecott] (398.2 STE)

\*Golem. David Wisniewski. A saintly rabbi brings to life a clay giant who helps him watch over the Jews of the city of Prague. [Caldecott] (398.21 WIS)

\*Lon Po Po: a Red-Riding Hood Story from China. Ed Young. Three sisters staying home alone are endangered by a hungry wolf. [Caldecott] (398.2 YOU)

\*Seven Blind Mice. Ed Young. Blind mice discover different parts of an elephant. [Caldecott] (398.24 YOU)

Rapunzel. Paul O. Zelinsky. A beautifully illustrated version of the classic fairy tale about a girl whose long golden hair helps her out. [Caldecott] (398.2 ZEL)

\*Rumpelstiltskin. Paul Galdone. Another Zelinsky illustrated version of the classic fairy tale in which a little man helps a miller's daughter spin straw into gold. [Caldecott] (398.2 GAL)

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## CATEGORY: POETRY & STORIES IN RHYME

Old Black Fly. Jim Aylesworth. Rhyming text and illustrations follow a mischievous old black fly through the alphabet as he has a very busy bad day landing where he should not be. (E AYL)

The Adventures of Taxi Dog. Debra & Sal Barracca. Maxi the dog tells the story of his rescue by taxi driver Jim and his adventures riding uptown and down in the taxi. (E BAR)

Clean Your Room, Harvey Moon! Pat Cummings. Harvey tackles a big job-cleaning his room! (E CUM)

If You're Not Here, Please Raise Your Hand: Poems about School. Kalli Dakos. Over three dozen entertaining school poems. (811 DAK)

Feathers for Lunch. Lois Ehlert. An escaped house cat encounters twelve birds in the back yard but fails to catch any of them and has to eat feathers for lunch. (E EHL)

\*Beast Feast. Douglas Florian. Twenty-one animals, from the walrus to the kiwi cavort across their own double pages with a large watercolor on one side and a zingy word-playing poem on the other. [Bluebonnet] (811 FLO)

Little Dog and Duncan. Kristine George. A collection of children's poems about two dogs. (811 GEO)

\*Toasting Marshmallows: Camping Poems. Kristine O'Connell George. Thirty poems that depict the experience of camping. [Bluebonnet] (811 GEO)

Bugs. David Greenberg. Celebrates the disgusting and horrible things you can do with a bunch of bugs. (E GRE)

\*Pieces: A Year in Poems and Quilts. Ann Grossnickle Hines. Poems about the four seasons, as reflected in the natural world, are accompanied by photos of quilts made by the author. [Bluebonnet] (811 HIN)

\*Hush! A Thai Lullaby. Mintong Ho. A Thai lullaby that asks animals to be quiet and not disturb the sleeping baby. [Caldecott] (811 HO)

A House is a House for Me. Mary Ann Hoberman. A rhyming book about a variety of dwellings. (E HOB)

\*The Spider and the Fly. Mary Botham Howitt. An illustrated version of the well-known poem about a wily spider who preys on the vanity and innocence of a little fly. [Caldecott] (821 HOW)

\*Dirty Laundry Pile: Poems in Different Voices. Paul B. Janeczko, ed. A scarecrow, washing machine, cow, and other objects and animals express themselves in this collection of poems. [Bluebonnet] (811.008 JAN)

Gold Fever. Verla Kay. In this brief rhyming story set during the gold rush, Jasper leaves his family and farm to pursue his dream of finding gold. (E KAY)

Tikki Tikki Tembo. Arlene Mosel. How Chinese people change their names. (398.2 MOS)

Zin! Zin! Zin! A Violin. Lloyd Moss. A rhyming introduction to the orchestra, counting up to a chamber group of ten. (E MOS)

Silver Seeds. Paul Paolilli, Dan Brewer, Steve Johnson and Lou Fancher. A collection of simple poems having to do with nature. (811 PAO)

One Hundred Hungry Ants. Elinor Pinczes. A hill of hungry ants marches off to their picnic in a long row, when the littlest ant realizes that they'll get there quicker if they regroup in lots of other ways, allowing readers to use their division skills. (E PIN)

Where the Sidewalk Ends. Shel Silverstein. One of the most famous and hugely popular collections of humorous verse for children. (811 SIL)

A Light in the Attic. Shel Silverstein. Second  
in the series by Silverstein. (811 SIL)

Falling Up. Shel Silverstein. Third in this series  
by Silverstein. (811 SIL)

Here Comes the Year. Eileen Spinelli.  
Describes in rhyme the special qualities that  
characterize each month of the year. (E SPI)

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## CATEGORY: HOLIDAY FUN

God Bless America. Irving Berlin. A family of bears experiences America in an illustrated version of the classic song. (E BER)

The Day It Rained Hearts. Felicia Bond. On the day it rains hearts, Cornelia Augusta makes Valentines for four of her friends. (E BON)

Christmas Trolls. Jan Brett. Triva has a hard time helping some thieving trolls understand the meaning of Christmas. (E BRE)

Wild Christmas Reindeer. Jan Brett. It's almost Christmas and the reindeer can't pull together! (E BRE)

Merry Christmas, Old Armadillo. Larry Brimmer. Old Armadillo thinks that his friends have forgotten him at Christmas, but they have a surprise for him. (E BRI)

Arthur's Valentine. Marc Brown. Arthur finds a girl friend. A series. (E BRO)

\*How Many Days to America? A Thanksgiving Story. Eve Bunting. Refugees embark on a dangerous boat trip to America. [Bluebonnet] (E BUN)

Kwanzaa. A.P. Porter. Discusses the holiday in which African-Americans celebrate their roots and cultural heritage from Africa. (394.2 POR)

Carlos, Light the Farolitos. Jean Ciavonne. When his grandfather is late on Christmas Eve, it's up to Carlos to take over his role in the traditional Mexican ceremony called Las Posadas. (E CIA)

The Carp in the Bathtub. Mollie Cohen. A carp is adopted by a family instead of being cooked for Passover. (FIC COH)

The Tub People's Christmas. Pam Conrad. The frightened Tub People witness Santa's visit on Christmas Eve, and even though they do not understand what is happening, they become beautiful ornaments on the Christmas tree. (E CON)

Cranberry Thanksgiving. Wende & Harry Devlin. Grandmother almost loses her secret recipe for cranberry bread. A series. (E DEV)

George Washington's Breakfast. Jean Fritz and Paul Galdone. Having the same name and birthday as George Washington, a young boy wants everything else in his life just as Washington had it, but he cannot find out what Washington ate for breakfast. (FIC FRI)

December Secrets. Patricia Reilly Giff. Each student in Ms. Rooney's room at the Polk Street School celebrates the December holidays by being a secret pal to a classmate. (E GIF)

Nana's Birthday Party. Amy Hest. Maggie and her cousin Brette combine their talents to create the grandest birthday present ever for their grandmother Nana. (E HES)

The Country Bunny and the Little Gold Shoes. DuBose Heyward. A country bunny becomes the Easter bunny. (E HEY)

Arthur's Christmas. Lillian Hoban. Arthur puts a lot of time and effort into his presents for Santa Claus. (E BRO)

\*The Year of the Perfect Christmas Tree. Gloria Houston. Since Papa left their Appalachian village to go to war, Ruthie and her mother wonder how they will do his job of getting the perfect Christmas tree to town for the holiday celebration. [Bluebonnet] (E HOU)

Horrible Harry and the Christmas Surprise. Suzy Kline. When their teacher ends up in the hospital, the members of class 2B find a way to include her in their holiday celebration. (FIC KLI)

How Santa Got His Job. Stephen Krensky. Santa tries his hand at many jobs before finding the perfect job as the world's greatest gift giver. (E KRE)

The Burro & the Basket. Lloyd Mardis. When his burro is found nibbling on the beautiful basket Roberto had made as a Navidad gift for the poor, he must be very resourceful to make a new gift in time. (E MAR)

Santa's Book of Names. David McPhail. A young boy who has trouble reading helps Santa with his yearly round and receives a special Christmas present. (E MCP)

Gus and Grandpa and the Halloween Costume. Claudia Mills. Second-grader Gus wants a store bought Halloween costume to wear to school, but because he knows his parents don't believe in buying costumes, he turns to his grandfather for help. (E MIL)

If You Take a Mouse to the Movies. Laura Numeroff. The energetic little mouse from "If You Give a Mouse a Cookie" is back again this time with a host of holiday antics. (E NUM)

'Twas the Night Before Thanksgiving. Dav Pilkey. A class on the field trip to a turkey farm manages to save the day! (E PIL)

Wolf Christmas. Daniel Pinkwater. On the longest night of the year, a family of wolves takes a run through the woods to see the unusual sight of a human family's Christmas celebration. (E PIN)

Star Spangled Crafts. Kathy Ross. A variety of crafts with patriotic themes. (745.5 ROS)

How the Grinch Stole Christmas. Dr. Seuss. Classic tale of the grinch who tries to stop Christmas from arriving. (E SEU)

The Nutcracker Ballet. Vladimir Vagin. On Christmas Eve, a little girl helps break the spell on her wooden nutcracker and transforms him into a handsome prince, who takes her to his kingdom in the Land of Sweets. (E VAG)

Morris's Disappearing Bag: A Christmas Story. Rosemary Wells. Morris invents a bag that makes his family disappear. (E WEL)

The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything. Linda Williams. Scary things follow her through the woods and try to frighten her. (E WIL)

A Cowboy Christmas: The Miracle at Lone Pine Ridge. Audrey Wood. When Cully the cowboy, a friend and a father figure to Evan, fails to show up at the ranch on an icy Christmas Eve, Evan goes out into the night to find and rescue him. (FIC WOO)

Over and Over. Charlotte Zolotow. A little girl and her mother observe the passage of the seasons as they celebrate the year's holidays, beginning with Christmas and ending after Thanksgiving with a birthday wish that the cycle begin again. (E ZOL)

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Miss Nelson is Missing. Harry Allard. Students lose the nice teacher and learn what a sub can be like. A series. (E ALL)

The Stupids Step Out. Harry Allard. The Stupid family and their dog have a fun-filled day. A series. (E ALL)

Bootsie Barker Bites. Barbara Bottner. Bootsie only wants to play games in which she bites, until one day her friend comes up with a better game. (E BOT)

The Golly Sisters Ride Again. Betsy Byars. Rose and May-May share further adventures as they take their traveling show through the West. A series. (E BYA)

Double Trouble in Walla Walla. Andrew Clements. It's an ordinary morning in Walla Walla until Lulu, her teacher, the school nurse, and the principal are all infected by a word warp which makes them repeat everything they say. (E CLE)

Princess Smartypants. Babette Cole. Not wishing to marry any of her suitors, the Princess makes up difficult tasks at which they all fail. (E COL)

A Fine, Fine School. Sharon Creech. When a principal loves his school so much that he wants the children to attend classes every day of the year, it's up to his students to show him free time is a good thing too. (E CRE)

Giggle, Giggle, Quack. Doreen Cronin. When Farmer Brown goes on a vacation, leaving his brother Bob in charge, Duck makes trouble by changing all his instructions to notes the animals like much better. (E CRO)

Dumb Bunnies. Sue Denim. A family of rabbits gets everything wrong. A series. (E DEN)

Owen Foote, Money Man. Stephanie Green. Ingenious eight-year-old Owen wants to make money for things he absolutely needs, such as plastic vomit, but he tries to come up with some alternatives to earning an allowance, which sounds too much like work. A series. (FIC GRE)

The Seven Silly Eaters. Mary Ann Hoberman. Seven fussy eaters find a way to surprise their mother. (E HOB)

Bubba the Cowboy Prince. Helen Ketteman. Based on Cinderella, this story is set in Texas, the fairy godmother is a cow, and the hero, Bubba, is the stepson of a wicked rancher. (E KET)

Baghead. Jarrett Krosoczka. Josh hides the bad haircut he gave himself by wearing a bag on his head, until his sister comes up with a better idea. (E KRO)

Score One for the Sloths. Helen Lester. Sparky, a new energetic student at a sloth school, saves her lazy classmates. (E LES)

Froggy Eats Out. Jonathan London. After Froggy misbehaves at a fancy restaurant, his parents take him to a fast flies restaurant to celebrate their anniversary. A series. (E LON)

The Best Place. Susan Meddaugh. After traveling around the world to make sure that the view from his screen porch is the best, an old wolf tries drastic measures to get his house back from the rabbit family that bought it. (E MED)

Martha Speaks. Susan Meddaugh. A bowl of alphabet soup turns Martha into a most unusual dog. A series. (E MED)

Moirra's Birthday. Robert Munsch. Moira invites too many kids to her birthday party with funny results. (E MUN)

Meanwhile Back at the Ranch. Trinka Noble. A bored rancher goes to town, but amazing things are happening back at the ranch. (E NOB)

The Chicken Sisters. Laura Numeroff. The Chicken Sisters drive a troublesome wolf home to this mother with their strangeness. (E NUM)

Piggie Pie! Margie Palatini. Gritch flies to Old MacDonald's farm for some pigs to make a pie, but when she gets there she can't find a single porker. (E PAL)

Junie B. Jones and the Yucky Blucky Fruitcake. Barbara Park. Kindergartner Junie looks forward to winning lots of prizes at the school carnival. A series. (FIC PAR)

Teach Us, Amelia Bedelia. Peggy Parrish. Amelia Bedelia is a funny substitute teacher. A series. (E PAR)

\*Officer Buckle and Gloria. Peggy Rathman. The real star of Officer Buckle's safety speeches is Gloria, his dog. [Caldecott] (E RAT)

Rattletrap Car. Phyllis Root. Various disasters threaten to stop Poppa and the children from getting to the lake in their rattletrap car. (E ROO)

Marvin Redpost: Kidnaped at Birth? Louis Sachar. Redheaded Marvin is convinced that the reason he looks different from the rest of the family is that he is really the lost Prince of Shampoo. A series. (FIC SAC)

Sideways Stories from Wayside School. Louis Sachar. Humorous episodes from the 13th floor of Wayside School, which was accidentally built sideways with one classroom on each story. A series. (FIC SAC)

\*Rain Makes Applesauce. Julian Scheer. A delightful book of nonsense verse with imaginative illustrations. [Caldecott] (E SCH)

\*The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales. Jon Scieszka. Madcap review of familiar fairy tales. [Bluebonnet] (E SCI)

A Bad Case of Stripes. David Shannon. Camilla Cream is very, very worried about what other people think of her. In fact, she is so worried she is about to break out in a bad case of stripes! (E SHA)

Caps for Sale. Esphyr Slobodkina. A peddler discovers his caps are gone. (E SLO)

Imogene's Antlers. David Small. She wakes up in the morning with antlers and upsets her entire family. (E SMA)

\*And the Dish Ran Away With the Spoon. Janet Stevens. When Dish and Spoon run away, their nursery rhyme friends Cat, Cow and Dog set out to rescue them in time for the next evening's reading of their rhyme. [Bluebonnet] (E STE)

My Big Dog. Janet Stevens & Susan Stevens Crummel. Merle the cat has a perfect home until the terrible day when a wiggly, noisy, slurpy, clumsy puppy arrives, and proceeds to grow bigger everyday. (E STE)

Pigsty. Mark Teague. When Wendell doesn't clean up his room, a whole herd of pigs comes to live with him. (E TEA)

Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day. Judith Viorst. Everything happens to Alexander. A series. (E VIO)

Lyle, Lyle Crocodile. Bernard Waber. Lyle causes a neighborhood feud. A series. (E WAB)

Library Lil. Suzanne Williams. A librarian makes readers out of a motorcycle gang. (E WIL)

\*Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus. Mo Willems. A pigeon that longs to drive a bus sees a chance to make its dream come true when the bus driver takes a short break. [Caldecott] (E WIL)

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## CATEGORY: FANTASY

The Adventures of Bert. Allan Ahlberg. Bert is a very friendly little man who experiences unusual things but always manages to work himself out of any predicament. (E AHL)

Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs. Judi Barrett. It's raining giant meatballs! (E BAR)

Pickles to Pittsburgh. Judi Barrett. Dozing off Kate dreams about Chewandswallow, where it snows popcorn and rains sandwiches. (E BAR)

\*Once a Mouse. Marcia Brown. A hermit with magical powers studies the idea of big versus little. [Caldecott] (398.24 BRO)

The Prince of Butterflies. Bruce Coville. When surrounded by thousands of butterflies, eleven-year-old John becomes transformed into one of them. (E COV)

Fishing in the Air. Sharon Creech. A young boy and his father go on a fishing trip and discover the power of imagination. (E CRE)

The Library Dragon. Carmen Agra Deedy. Why are teachers so upset about the librarian, Miss Lotta Scales, library tactics? (E DEE)

\*May I Bring a Friend? Beatrice DeRegniers. A boy visits a friendly king and queen, and on each visit, takes a different animal visitor with him. [Caldecott] (E DER)

Big Anthony: His Story. Tomie DePaola. Big Anthony journeys around Italy causing problems before meeting Strega Nona (E DEP)

\*Weslandia. Paul Fleischman. Wesley's garden produces a crop of huge strange plants, which provide him with clothing, shelter, food, and drink, thus helping him create his own civilization and changing his life. [Bluebonnet] (E FLE)

The Magic Hat. Mem Fox. A wizard's hat blows into town, changing people into different animals when it lands on their heads. (E FOX)

A Doll in the Garden. Mary Downing Hahn. After Ashley & Kristi find an antiques doll, they discover they can enter a ghostly turn-of-the-century world by going through a hole in the hedge. (FIC HAH)

The Marvelous Mouse Man. Mary Ann Hoberman. When the townsfolk hire a mysterious man to rid the village of mice, he gets rid of other things as well. (E HOB)

Scatterbrain Sam. Ellen Jackson. Scatterbrain Sam finds true love while gathering ingredients for the mysterious glue stew that is supposed to make him smarter. (E JAC)

Perfect the Pig. Susan Jeshke. A perfect little pig with wings finds a perfect home. (E JES)

Rolie Polie Olie. William Joyce. A round robot living on a planet where everything is round enjoys a busy day with his family and then is to wired to go to bed at night. (E JOY)

The Mysterious Tadpole. Steven Kellogg. When little Louie's uncle in Scotland sent him a tadpole for his birthday no one had any idea the havoc it would cause. (E KEL)

Catwings. Ursula LeGuin. Four young cats with wings leave the city slums in search of a safe place to live. A series. (FIC LE)

\*The Red Book. Barbara Lehman. A wordless story in which a little girl finds a red book in the snow that holds an astonishing surprise. [Caldecott] (E LEH)

Molly and the Magic Wishbone. Barbara McClintock. Molly's fairy godmother gives her a magic fishbone that will grant one wish. (E MCC)

Edward and the Pirates. David McPhail. Once Edward has learned to read, books and his visual imagination provide him with great adventures. (E MCP)

The Teddy Bear. A teddy bear, lost by a little boy who loves him, still feels loved after being rescued by a homeless man. (E MCP)

The Lizard Man of Crabtree County. Lucy A. Nolan. James becomes the unwitting source of wild rumors that a Lizard Man has appeared in his quiet rural community. (E NOL)

Psssst! It's Me . . . the Bogeyman. Barbara Park. A genuine, creepy-crawly, blood-chilling, spine-tingling Bogeyman, who lives under beds, reveals something he soon regrets. (E PAR)

Any of the "Magic Tree House" series. Mary Pope Osborne. (FIC OSB) Including:

Afternoon on the Amazon

Dinosaurs before Dark

Pirates past Noon

Night of the Ninjas

Ten Minutes till Bedtime. Peggy Rathman. A boy's hamster leads an increasingly large group of hamsters on a tour of the boy's house, while his father counts the minutes to bedtime. (E RAT)

The Cinder-Eyed Cats. Eric Rohmann. A boy makes a magical trip to a tropical island where he and five cinder-eyed cats watch as various sea creatures emerge from the ocean to dance by their campfire. (E ROH)

Eggbert the Slightly Cracked Egg. Tom Ross. A cracked egg goes through some painful experiences before realizing that being cracked can be something to be proud of. (E ROS)

Mud is Cake. Pam Munoz Ryan. A brother and sister find that when they use their imagination they can become almost anything. (E RYA)

Any of the "Time Warp Trio" series. Jon Scieszka. (FIC SCI) Including:

Not So Jolly Roger.

Knights of the Kitchen Table.

\*The Boy of a Thousand Faces. Brian Selznick. Obsessed with horror films, ten-year-old Alonzo dreams of transforming himself into "The Boy of a Thousand Faces," and gets his wish in an unexpected way. [Bluebonnet] (FIC SEL)

\*The Houdini Box. Brian Selznick. A chance encounter with Harry Houdini leaves a small boy in possession of a mysterious box. [Bluebonnet] (FIC SEL)

In the Night Kitchen. Maurice Sendak. A little boy's dream-fantasy in which he helps three fat bakers get milk for their cake batter. (E SEN)

\*Where the Wild Things Are. Maurice Sendak. Mac dreams of going where the wild things are. [Caldecott] (E SEN)

Mrs. Biddlebox. Linda Smith. With baking magic, Mrs. Biddlebox uses fog, dirt, sky, and other ingredients of a rotten day to transform it into a sweet cake. (E SMI)

\*Sylvester and the Magic Pebble. William Steig. A young donkey finds a pebble with magic powers. [Caldecott] (E STE)

\*Jumanji. Chris Van Allsburg. A brother and sister play a board game they find in the park. Each move results in a live-action jungle scene in their house. [Caldecott] (E VAN)

\*Polar Express. Chris Van Allsburg. A magical train ride on Christmas Eve takes a boy to the North Pole to receive a special gift from Santa Claus. (E VAN)

\*Comes a Wind. Linda Arms White. While visiting their mother's ranch, two brothers who constantly try to best each other swap tall tales about big winds and are surprised by the fiercest wind they have ever seen. [Bluebonnet] (E WHI)

\*The Three Pigs. David Wiesner. The three pigs escape the wolf by going into another world where they meet the cat and the fiddle, the cow that jumped over the moon, and a dragon. [Caldecott] (E WIE)

\*Tuesday. David Wiesner. Frogs rise on their lily pads, float through the air and explore nearby houses. [Caldecott] (E WIE)

Company's Coming. Arthur Yorinks. Chaos erupts when Moe and Shirley invite some visitors from outer space to stay for dinner with the relatives. (E YOR)

\*Hey, Al. Arthur Yorinks. A janitor and his dog escape to an island in the sky. One morning they awake to find themselves turning into birds. [Caldecott] (E YOR)

Pet Stories You Don't Have to Walk. A collection of easy to read pet stories including those by Syd Hoff, Laurie Krasny Brown, and Cynthia Rylant. (E PET)

Irving and Muktuk. Daniel Pinkwater. Two muffin-loving polar bears make a yearly attempt to use stealth and subterfuge to get muffins at the local blueberry muffin festival. (E PIN)

Little Flower. Gloria Rand. When Miss Pearl falls and breaks her hip, her potbellied pig Little Flower goes for help. (E RAN)

\*My Friend Rabbit. Eric Rohmann. Something always seems to go wrong when Rabbit is around, but Mouse lets him play with his toy plane anyway because he is his good friend. [Caldecott] (E ROH)

The Cookie-Store Cat. Cynthia Rylant. A happy cat lives a wonderful life in the back of a cookie store, where the baker takes loving care of him and he receives special visitors. Includes three recipes for special treats. (E RYL)

Mr. Putter and Tabby Row the Boat. Cynthia Rylant. On a hot summer day, Mr. Putter, his cat Tabby, their neighbor Mrs. Teaberry, and her dog Zeke, go for a picnic and a rowboat ride. A series. (E RYL)

The Old Woman Who Named Things. Cynthia Rylant. An old woman who has outlived all her friends is reluctant to become too attached to the stray dog that visits her each day. (E RYL)

Gregory the Terrible Eater. Mitchell Sharmat. Gregory, a gourmet goat, gives up bottle caps for bananas, bread, and butter. (E SHA)

\*The Stray Dog. Marc Simont. A family befriends a stray dog, names him Willy, and decides to keep him. [Caldecott] (E SIM)

Over in the Garden. Jennifer Ward. Mother insects and their children enjoy various activities from morning sun to evening moon. (E WAR)

\*Biggest Bear. Lynd Ward. A little boy wants a bearskin but gets a real bear instead. [Caldecott] (E WAR)

Morris Goes to School. Bernard Wiseman. Morris the moose goes to school to read and count. A series. (E WIS)

Unlovable. Dan Yaccarino. Alfred, a pug, is made to feel inferior by the neighborhood animals, until a new dog moves in next door and help Alfred realize he is fine just the way he is. (E YAC)

Harry the Dirty Dog. Gene Zion. A runaway dog has fun and troubles. A series. (E ZIO)

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## CATEGORY: ANIMAL ANTICS

Charlie Anderson. Barbara Abercrombie. What secret does Charlie the cat have? (E ABE)

Are you a snail? (594.3 ALL)

Are you a spider? (595.44 ALL)

Are you a dragonfly? (595.73 ALL)

Are you a ladybug? (595.76 ALL)

(and other titles) A factual series by Judy Allen.

Bat Jamboree. Kathi Appelt. At an abandoned outdoor movie theater, 55 bats perform in a toe-tapping, wing-flapping revue—and await the grand finale. (E APP)

Little Green. Keith Baker. A young boy paints the flight of a hummingbird as it zips, loops and zigzags around his garden. (E BAK)

Hector Saves the Moon. Jane Scoggins Bauld. Hector and his fellow bats take refuge for the day inside a wind tunnel, not knowing they are keeping scientists from conducting a atom bomb test on the moon. A series. (E BAU)

Goose's Story. Cari Best. A young girl finds a Canada goose with a badly injured foot and looks for her each day to see how she is doing. (E BES)

\*Togo. Robert J. Blake. In 1925, Togo, a Siberian husky who loves being a sled dog, leads a team that rushes to bring diphtheria antitoxin from Anchorage to Nome, Alaska. [Bluebonnet] (E BLA)

Daisy Comes Home. Jan Brett. Daisy, an unhappy hen in China, floats down the river in a basket and has an adventure. (E BRE)

The Mitten. Jan Brett. Several animals snuggle into Nicki's lost mitten until the bear sneezes! (398.2 BRE)

Armadillo Rodeo. Jan Brett. A nearsighted Texas armadillo lands in trouble. (E BRE)

Comet's Nine Lives. Jane Brett. Comet the cat uses up eight of his nine lives trying to find the right place to live on Nantucket Island. (E BRE)

Can you do this, Old Badger? Eve Bunting. Although Old Badger cannot do some of the things as easily as he used to, he can still teach Little Badger the many things he knows. (E BUN)

\*Tornado. Betsy Byars. A family waits in a storm cellar and listens to a farmhand tell about how a dog was blown into his life. [Bluebonnet] (FIC BYA)

Hot Air Henry. Mary Calhoun. A sassy Siamese cat stows away on a hot air balloon. A series. (E CAL)

Crickwing. Janell Cannon. A lonely cockroach has a creative idea that saves the day for the leaf-cutting ants when their fierce forest enemies attack them. (E CAN)

Stellaluna. Janell Cannon. A young bat searches for a place to fit in. (E STE)

\*Verdi. Janell Cannon. A young python does not want to grow slow and boring like the older snakes. [Bluebonnet] (E CAN)

The Armadillo from Amarillo. Lynne Cherry. A wandering armadillo travels Texas. (E CHE)

ABC dogs. Nancy Darling and Tara Darling. Presents photographs and information about a different breed of dog for each letter of the alphabet. (636.7 DAR)

Little Polar Bear, Take Me Home! Hans De Beer. When a young polar bear peers inside a train, the little Siberian tiger staring back at him begs to be taken home. (E DE)

Cow. Malachy Doyle. Illustrations and text describe the full day of a dairy cow. (E DOY)

Petunia. Roger Duvoisin. A silly goose gets his friends in trouble. (E DUV)

Bravo, Livingstone Mouse! Pamela Edwards. The creatures of the Wild Wood cannot seem to find their rhythm until Livingstone Mouse, along with his orchestra of insects, steps in to save the day. A series. (E EDW)

Some Smug Slug. Pamela Edwards. A smug slug that will not listen to the animals around it comes to an unexpected end. (E EDW)

Slim and Jim. Richard Egielski. A rat named Jim rescues homeless Slim from the streets and both rats find themselves working together against the evil cat Buster. (E EGI)

Hunter's Best Friend at School. Laura Elliott. Hunter the raccoon is not sure what he should do when his best friend Stripe starts acting up at preschool. (E ELL)

Hattie and the Fox. Mem Fox. Hattie, a hen, discovers a fox in the bushes, which creates varying reactions in the other animals. (E FOX)

\*Leah's Pony. Elizabeth Freidrich. A young girl sells her horse and raises enough money to buy back her father's tractor, in this story of a Depression era farm. [Bluebonnet] (E FRE)

\*Millions of Cats. Wanda Gag. An old man can't make up his mind which cat he likes. [Newbery] (E GAG)

\*Granddaddy's Place. Helen Griffith. At first Janetta does not like Granddaddy, his farm, or his animals. A series. [Bluebonnet] (E GRI)

\*Kitten's First Full Moon. Kevin Henkes. When Kitten mistakes the full moon for a bowl of milk, she ends up tired, wet and hungry trying to reach it. [Caldecott] (E HEN)

Winter Shoes for Shadow Horse. Linda High. A boy's shoes his first horse under the guidance of his father. (E HIG)

\*Rosie's Walk. Pat Hutchins. A sly fox fails to catch Rosie the hen. [Caldecott] (E HUT)

Pinkerton Behave! Steven Kellogg. Pinkerton the dog follows his own commands. A series. (E KEL)

Whose Mouse Are You? Robert Kraus. A little mouse wants to be loved. (E KRA)

The Night I Followed the Dog. Nina Laden. A boy follows his dog one night to see what exactly dogs do at night when they're on their own. (E LAD)

The Story of Ferdinand. Munro Leaf. Ferdinand the bull prefers to smell the flowers. (E LEA)

Hooway for Wodney Wat. Helen Lester. All his classmates make fun of Rodney because he can't pronounce his name, but it is Rodney's speech impediment that drives away the class bully. (E LES)

Floss. Kim Lewis. Floss the sheep dog never outgrows her love of playing with happy children. A series. (E LEW)

\*Frederick. Leo Lionni. Frederick daydreams instead of preparing for winter. [Caldecott] (E LIO)

I Crocodile. Fred Marcellino. While stealing Egypt's treasures, Napoleon can't resist a souvenir crocodile as well. The croc longs to return to the Nile. (E MAR)

\*Blueberries for Sal. Robert McCloskey. A bear cub, Sal and their moms get mixed up on Blueberry Mountain. [Caldecott] (E MCC)

\*Make Way for Ducklings. Robert McCloskey. A family of ducks in a Boston park must cross the road. [Caldecott] (E MCC)

Widget. Lyn McFarland. A small stray dog is accepted into a household full of cats by learning to "fit in." When his mistress is hurt, he shows that being a dog is not all bad. (E MCF)

Boomer's Big Day. Constance McGeorge. Moving day proves confusing for Boomer, a golden retriever, until he explores his new home and find his own things. A series. (E MCG)

Lost. David McPhail. On his way to school, a boy befriends a bear that is lost. (E MCP)

Six Dinner Sid. Inga Moore. Sid the cat plays the pet of six different owners on Aristotle Street so that he can get six dinners every night. (E MOO)

Bitter Bananas. Issac Olaleye. Baboons are stealing young Yusuf's palm sap that he sells at market. Yusuf devises a plan to stop the baboons. (E OLA)

Insects Are My Life: A Story. Megan McDonald. No one at home or school understands Amanda Frankenstein's devotion to insects until she meets Maggie. (E MCD)

Will you Sting me, Will you Bite? Sara Miller. Discusses the characteristics of a variety of insects, including a short poem. (595.7 MIL)

Gigantic! Patrick O'Brien. Explains the names of fourteen dinosaurs and describes their physical characteristics, size, and probable behavior. (567.9 OBR)

From Tadpole to Frog. Wendy Pfeffer. Describes the metamorphosis from tadpole to frog. 597.8 PFE)

Crocodile Listens. April Sayre. As other animals walk gallop or trot by, a hungry crocodile lies quietly in the sand, listening for a very special sound from her nesting place. (E SAY)

Leeches. Lola Schaefer. (592 SCH)

Jellyfish. Lola Schaefer. (593.5 SCH)  
And other titles in this series, which provide basic introductions to each creature.

What are Volcanoes? Mari C. Schuh. Simple text and photographs introduce volcanoes and their features. (551.21 SCH)

If You Made a Million. David Schwartz. Describes the various forms which money can take, including coins, paper money, and personal checks, and how it can be used to make purchases, pay off loans, or build interest in the bank. (332.024 SCH)

Greg's Microscope. Millicent Selsam. Greg uses household items as specimens for his new microscope. (570 SEL)

Footprints on the Moon. Alexandra Siy. Photographs and simple text chronicle the history of moon exploration and discuss what the future might hold. (629.45 SIY)

Lots and Lots of Zebra Stripes. Stephen R. Swinburne. A photo-essay featuring patterns that appear in nature from animal colorings to physical phenomena. (778.9 SWI)

The Rabbit. Sally Tagholm. Describes how the European rabbit, now found on every continent, burrows breeds, feeds, plays and lives. (599.32 TAG)

Math for All Seasons. Greg Tang. Contains 16 math puzzles that encourage kids to use problem solving skills. (513 TAN)

The Coin Counting Book. Rozanne Williams. Rhyming text introduces simple math and monetary value of coins. (513.2 WIL)

The Kid who Invented the Popsicle. Don Wulffson. Brief stories about how various familiar things were invented, many by accident. (609 WUL)

Ranching. Scott Wrobel. This book describes what is involved in raising beef cattle and how ranchers feed, care for, transport, and sell their livestock. (636.2 WRO)

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## CATEGORY: SCIENCE & MATH

Digging up Dinosaurs. Aliko. How a skeleton is assembled for display in a museum. (567.9 ALI)

All About Frogs. (E ARN)

All About Sharks. (597.3 ARN)

A series by Jim Arnosky. Discusses the life cycle, habitats and behavior of each creature.

Pigs Will be Pigs: Fun with Math and Money.

Amy Axelrod. The hungry Pig family learns about money and buying power as they turn the house upside down looking for enough money to buy dinner at the local restaurant. A series. (E AXE)

Flash, Crash, Rumble & Roll. Franklyn Branley. Safety steps to follow. (551.5 BRA)

Floating in Space. Franklyn Branley. Examines life aboard a space shuttle, describing how astronauts deal with weightlessness, how they eat and exercise, some of the work they do, etc. (629.47 BRA)

The Planets in Our Solar System. Franklyn Branley. Describes the nine planets and other bodies of the solar system; includes directions for making models. (523.4 BRA)

What Makes Day and Night? Franklyn Branley. A simple explanation of how the rotation of the earth causes night and day. (525 BRA)

Counting on Frank. Rod Clement. A boy and his dog present amusing counting, size comparison, and mathematical facts. (513.5 CLE)

Bat Loves the Night. Nicola Davies and Sarah Fox-Davies. Bat wakes up, flies into the night, uses the echoes of her voice to navigate, hunts for her supper, and returns to her roost to feed her baby. Includes many facts about bats. (E DAV)

Ant Cities. Arthur Dorros. Explains how ants live and work together to build and maintain their cities. (595.79 DOR)

Archaeologists Dig for Clues. Kate Duke. Provides an introduction to the detective-like work of archaeologists who search for clues in the ground to learn how people lived in the past. (930 DUK)

Snowballs. Lois Ehlert. Some children create a family out of snow. Includes labeled pictures of all the items they use, as well as information about how snow is formed. (E EHL)

Spiders and Their Web Sites. Margery Facklam. Characteristics and habits of 12 different spiders. (595.4 FAC)

In the Small, Small Pond. Denise Fleming. Illustrations and rhyming text describe the activities of animals living in and near a small pond as spring turns to autumn. (E FLE)

Any science books by Gail Gibbons:

Galaxies, Galaxies. (E GIB)

Planet Earth Inside and Out (550 GIB)

More, Fewer, Less. Tana Hoban. Photographs illustrate groupings of objects in larger and smaller numbers. (511.3 HOB)

Animals in Flight. Steve Jenkins. Pictures and text describe how animals fly and glide. (573.7 JEN)

\*What Do You Do With a Tail like This? Steve Jenkins. Looks at the way in which different animals use their ears, eyes, mouths, noses, feet and tails. [Caldecott] (573.8 JEN)

The Edible Pyramid. Loreen Leedy. Uses the USDA food guide pyramid to show the healthy way to eat including how many servings from different food groups. (613.2 LEE)

2 X 2 = Boo Loreen Leedy.

Math examples in the world around us. (513.2 LEE)

Panther. Jonathan London. A night in the life of a female Florida panther and her three kittens. (599.75 LON)

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### CATEGORY: FAMILY, HOME, SCHOOL AND NEIGHBORHOOD

\*Song and Dance Man. Karen Ackerman. Grandpa demonstrates his vaudeville act for his visiting grandchildren. [Caldecott] (E ACK)

\*Madeline. Ludwig Bemelmans. Madeline is the smallest, bravest, and most adventurous of 12 little girls in a Paris boarding school. [Caldecott] (E BEM)

Shrinking Violet. Cari Best. Violet, who is very shy, finally comes out of her shell when she is cast in the school play and saves it from disaster. (E BES)

Circus Girl. Tomasz Bogacki. When a new girl comes to school while the circus is in town, she helps two classmates become friends. (E BOG)

Who's Afraid of the Dark? Crosby Bonsall. A boy teaches his dog to be unafraid of the dark. (E BON)

The One in the Middle is the Green Kangaroo. Judy Blume. Performing the school play gives Freddie confidence. (E BLU)

\*Dandelions. Eve Bunting. Zoe and her family make a new home in Nebraska territory. [Bluebonnet] (FIC BUN)

Jin Woo. Eve Bunting. Davey is dubious about having a new adopted brother from Korea. (E BUN)

\*Smoky Night. Eve Bunting. When riots break out in the streets of their neighborhood, a young boy and his mother learn the values of getting along with others. [Caldecott] (FIC BUN)

\*Train to Somewhere. Eve Bunting. In the late 1800's, Marianne travels west on the Orphan Train in hopes of being placed with a caring family. [Bluebonnet] (FIC BUN)

Ant Plays Bear. Betsy Byars. Ant and his brother play a game, discuss growing up, hear a scary noise, and learn to be friends. (E BYA)

More Stories Julian Tells. Ann Cameron. Short stories of mischief, magic and imagination from childhood. (FIC CAM)

Miss Rumphius. Barbara Cooney. The story of one woman's lifelong search to fulfill her grandfather's wish that she do something to help people. (E COO)

The Bat Boy & his Violin. Gavin Curtis. Reginald is more interested in his violin than in his father's job managing a bad team, but when Papa makes him bat boy, his music inspires the team to victory. (E CUR)

Gator Aid. Jane Cutler. Imaginative second-grader Edward swears he saw a baby alligator in the Shaw Park lake, but no one believes him. (FIC CUT)

Agatha's Feather Bed, Not Just Another Wild Goose Story. Carmen Deedy. When Agatha buys a new feather bed, six angry naked geese show up to get their feathers back. (E DEE)

Now One Foot, Now the Other. Tomie De Paola. When Bobby's grandfather suffers a stroke, he teaches him to walk again. (E DE)

David's Drawings. Cathryn Falwell. A shy African American boy arriving at a new school makes friends with his classmates by drawing a picture of a tree. (E FAL)

A Big Cheese for the White House: the True Tale of a Tremendous Cheddar. Candace Fleming. In 1802, in Cheshire, Massachusetts, Elder John Leland organizes his fellow townspeople to make a big cheese for President Jefferson who up until that time had been forced to eat inferior cheese. (E FLE)

Miss Malarkey Doesn't Live in Room 10. Judith Finchler. A first-grade boy is shocked, then pleased, when he discovers that his teacher has a life away from school. A series. (E FIN)

\*The Patchwork Quilt. Valerie Flournoy. Using scraps cut from the family's old clothing, a beautiful quilt is made that tells a family's story. [Coretta Scott King] (E FLO)

The Hickory Chair. Lisa Rowe Fraustino. A blind boy tells of his warm relationship with his grandmother and the gift she left for him after her death. (E FRA)

\*The Lotus Seed. Sherry Garland. A young Vietnamese girl saves a lotus seed and carries it with her everywhere to remember the homeland she has to flee. [Bluebonnet] (E GAR)

Grandpa's Face. Eloise Greenfield. Tamika becomes afraid after seeing her beloved grandfather make a mean face while he rehearses a play. (E GRE)

Daddy Makes the Best Spaghetti. Anna Hines. Not only does Corey's father make the best spaghetti, but he also dresses like Batman and acts like a barking dog. (E HIN)

Aunt Flossie's Hats. Elizabeth Howard. Sara and Susan hear stories about hats. (E HOW)

Summer With Elisa. Johanna Hurwitz. During the summer between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Elisa struggles to write her brother Russell at camp and then enjoys a family vacation in the country. (FIC HUR)

Don't Forget the Bacon. Pat Hutchins. On the way to the store the groceries are forgotten. (E HUT)

\*Ben's Trumpet. Rachel Isadora. Ben's dream comes true. [Caldecott] (E ISA)

One of Three. Angela Johnson. A series of candid reflections by the youngest of three sisters on her daily relationships with her older sisters and family. (E JOH)

Santa Calls. William Joyce. Art Aimesworth receives a mysterious summons from Santa Claus and he shares a Christmas adventure with his sister that brings them closer. (E JOY)

The Ugly Vegetables. Grace Lin. A little girl thinks her mother's garden is the ugliest in the neighborhood until she discovers that Chinese vegetable soup smells best of all. (E LIN)

\*The Hundred Penny Box. Sharon Mathis. A

tender relationship between Michael and his great-great aunt. [Newbery] (E MAT)

There's a Nightmare in My Closet. Mercer Mayer. A boy decides to shoot the creature lurking in his closet. (E MAY)

\*Goin' Someplace Special. Pat McKissack. In segregated 1950's Nashville, a young African-American girl braves a series of obstacles to get to one of the few integrated places in town: the public library. [Bluebonnet] (E MCK)

Little Oh. Laura Melmed. A mother tells her son the story of Little Oh, a girl made of paper who becomes separated from her human mother. (E MEL)

Gus and Grandpa and Show-and-Tell. Claudia Mills. Gus despairs of coming up with something interesting and impressive for his class show and tell, until Grandpa gives him a great idea. (E MIL)

Different, Just Like Me. Lori Mitchell. While preparing for a visit to her grandmother, a young girl notices that, like the flowers in Grammie's garden, people who are different from one another also share similarities and it's okay to like them all the same. (E MIT)

Regina's Big Mistake. Marissa Moss. When told to draw a jungle in art class, Regina experiences feelings of failure but manages to create a beautiful picture that's all her own. (E MOS)

Get Out of Bed. Robert Munsch. Amy's mother, father, brother, and school principal use very unusual measures to try to get the sleepy girl out of bed. (E MUN)

The Broken Cat. Lyn Perkins. Andy asks his mother to tell the story about breaking her arm while they wait for the vet to determine what is wrong with their cat. (E PER)

The Keeping Quilt. Patricia Polacco. A homemade quilt ties together four generations of an immigrant Jewish family. (E POL)

Thundercake. Patricia Polacco. Grandma finds a way to dispel her grandchild's fear of thunderstorms. (E POL)

Auntie Claus. Elise Primavera. When her eccentric Auntie Claus leaves for her annual business trip, Sophie stows away in her luggage, travels with her to the North Pole, and discovers that her aunt is really Santa's sister! (E PRI)

The Big Green Pocketbook. Candice Ransom. A little girl fills a pocketbook she carries with mementos of the places she and her mother visit when they go to town. (E RAN)

Pumpkins. Mary Lyn Ray. A man harvests and sells a bountiful crop of pumpkins so that he will be able to preserve the field from developers. (E RAY)

The Bird House. Cynthia Rylant. A young girl alone without family is led to a special old woman's home one by following flocks of birds. (E RYL)

\*The Relatives Came. Cynthia Rylant. A girl recounts what it is like when the relatives come to visit from Virginia. [Caldecott] (E RYL)

Lucky Pennies and Hot Chocolate. Carol Diggory Shields and Hiroe Nakata. A grandfather and his grandson enjoy sharing. (E SHI)

In the Time of the Drums. Kim L. Siegelson and J. Brian Pinkney. Mentu, an American-born slave boy, watches his beloved grandmother, Twi, lead the insurrection at Teakettle Creek of Ibo people arriving from Africa on a slave ship. (E SIE)

\*The Gardener. Sarah Stewart. A young girl leaves the city to work in her uncle's city bakery during the depression. [Caldecott] (E STE)

Storm in the Night. Mary Stolz. While sitting through a fearsome thunderstorm Grandfather tells boyhood stories. (E STO)

Saturday Sancocho. Leyla Torres. Maria Lili and her grandmother barter a dozen eggs at the market square to get the ingredients to cook their traditional Saturday chicken sancocho. Includes recipe. (E TOR)

Mailing May. Michael O. Tunnell and Ted Rand. In 1914, because her family cannot not afford a train ticket to her grandmother's town, May gets mailed and rides the mail car to see her grandmother. (E TUN)

Ira Sleeps Over. Bernard Waber. Sleeping over is not the same as at home. (E WAB)

McDuff and the Baby. Rosemary Wells. McDuff the terrier enjoys reading the paper with Fred and taking walks with Lucy, but all that changes when they bring a new baby home. A series. (E WEL)

Noisy Nora. Rosemary Wells. Feeling neglected Nora makes more and more noise to attract her parents' attention. (E WEL)

Junk, Sweet Junk. Molly Wigand and Barry Goldberg. Tommy, Chuckie, and Angelica help Tommy's grandfather throw away the useless junk he has accumulated, but the children find new uses for most of it and Grandpa decides it has value after all. (E WIG)

\*Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale. Mo Willems. Trixie becomes very unhappy when she accompanies her daddy to the Laundromat and realizes she has lost her stuffed bunny. [Caldecott] (E WIL)

Galimoto. Karen Williams. Walking through his village, a young African boy finds the materials to make a special toy. (E WIL)

\*A Chair for My Mother. Vera B. Williams. Rosa's mother deserves to relax after waitressing all day. [Caldecott] (E WIL)

Apple Pie 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Janet S. Wong. A Chinese American child fears that the food her parents are preparing to sell on the Fourth of July will not be eaten. (E WON)

\*Coming on Home Soon. Jacqueline Woodson. After Mama takes a job in Chicago during World War II, Ada Ruth stays with Grandma but misses her mother who loves her more than rain and snow. [Caldecott] (E WOO)

\*Owl Moon. Jane Yolen. A father and daughter look for a Great Horned Owl. [Caldecott] (E YOL)

William's Doll. Charlotte Zolotow. A little boy wants a doll but the other children call him a sissy. (E ZOL)

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## CATEGORY: BIOGRAPHY

Picture Book Biographies by David Adler, including:

A Picture Book of:

Christopher Columbus. (92 COL)

Martin Luther King, Jr. (92 KIN)

Abraham Lincoln. (92 LIN)

Rosa Parks. (92 PAR)

Harriet Tubman. (92 TUB)

George Washington. (92 WAS)

\*Lou Gehrig, the Luckiest Man. David Adler. Traces the life of the Yankees' star ballplayer, focusing on his character and his struggle with the terminal disease ALS. [Bluebonnet] (92 GEH)

A Weed is a Flower: The Life of George Washington Carver. Aliko. Brief text and pictures present the life of the man, born a slave, who became the scientist and devoted his entire life to helping the South improve its agriculture. (92 CAR)

\*The Pot that Juan Built. Nancy Andrews-Goebel. A rhyme summarizes the life's work of renowned Mexican potter Juan Quezada. [Bluebonnet] (738 AND)

Rare Treasure. Don Brown. Describes the life of the English girl whose discovery of an Ichthyosaurus fossil led to a lasting interest in prehistoric animals. (92 ANN)

Home Run. Robert Burleigh. A poetic account of the legendary Babe Ruth as he prepares to hit a home run. (E BUR)

Bigmama's. Donald Crews. Visiting Bigmama's house in the country, young Donald finds his relatives full of news, and the old place and its surroundings just the same as the year before. (92 CRE)

George Washington's Mother. Jean Fritz. The life of the mother of our 1<sup>st</sup> president and her relationship with her children. (92 WAS)

Hank Aaron. Peter Golenbock. The life story of the Hall of Fame baseball player who broke Babe Ruth's career home run record. (92 AAR)

Bigfoot Wallace. Jo Harper. His adventures as he travels to Texas, participates in battles against Mexico, serves time as a hostage, and pioneers the American West. (92 WAL)

Best Cowboy in the West: The Story of Nat Love. Judy Hominick. A famous cowboy, nicknamed Deadwood Dick, born a slave, left home for the west, and became known as the best roper and best shot in the West. (92 LOV)

\*My Great-Aunt Arizona. Gloria Houston. An Appalachian girl, Arizona Houston Hughes, grows up to become a teacher who influences generations of school children. [Bluebonnet] (E HOU)

Henry Hikes to Fitchburg. Donald Johnson. While a friend works hard to earn the train fare to Fitchburg, young Henry Thoreau walks the 30 miles through woods and fields, enjoying nature and the time to think great thoughts. (E JOH)

\*Harvesting Hope: The Story of Cesar Chavez. Kathleen Krull. Tells of his life from age ten when he and his family lived happily on their Arizona ranch, to age thirty-eight when he led a peaceful protest against California migrant workers' miserable working conditions. [Bluebonnet] (92 CHA)

Black Cowboy, Wild Horses: A True Story. Julius Lester. An African-American cowboy is so in tune with wild mustangs that they accept him into the herd. (E LES)

Snowshoe Thompson. Nancy Smiler Livinson. One winter John Thompson skis across the Sierra Nevada Mountains and creates a path upon which mail and people may travel, thus earning his nickname, "Snowshoe Thompson." (92 THO)

Aunt Clara Brown. Linda Lowery. A biography of the freed slave who makes her fortune in Colorado and used her money to bring other former slaves there to begin new lives. (92 BRO)

Holt and the Cowboys. Jim McCafferty. Recounts the experiences of the African-American soldier who, after serving in the Civil War as a Confederate cavalry scout, traveled to Texas and became a cowboy. (92 COL)

\*The Buffalo Nickel. Taylor Morrison. A biography of sculptor, James Earle Fraser, who sculpted the buffalo nickel, and who grew up in Dakota Territory among the Sioux. [Bluebonnet] (92 FRA)

\*The Glorious Flight: Across the Channel with Louis Bleriot. Alice & Martin Provensen. Another record setting flight in the early days of the airplane. [Caldecott] (92 BLE)

\*Martin's Big Words: The Life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Doreen Rappaport. Looks at the life of Dr. King, explaining his work to bring about a peaceful end to segregation. [Caldecott] (92 KIN)

If a Bus Could Talk. Faith Ringgold. A biography of Rosa Parks whose refusal to give up her seat on bus led to the boycott, which lasted more than a year in Montgomery, Alabama. (92 PAR)

They Called her Molly Pitcher. Anne Rockwell. A picture book bio of Molly Pitcher who was made a sergeant by Gen. George Washington for her bravery in battle. (92 PIT)

\*When Marion Sang: The True Recital of Marion Anderson the Voice of a Century. Pam Munoz Ryan. An introduction to the great singer Marion Anderson, who was the first African-American to perform at the Metropolitan Opera. [Bluebonnet] (92 AND)

\*So You Want to be President. Judith St. George. Presents an assortment of facts about the qualifications and characteristics of U.S. presidents, from George Washington to Bill Clinton. [Bluebonnet] (973 ST)

Purple Mountain Majesties. Barbara Younger. A brief bio of the author and college professor whose travels across the U.S. inspired her to write the poem, "America the Beautiful." (92 BAT)

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Cam Jansen and the Chocolate Fudge Mystery. David Adler. When Cam and Eric uncover a mystery while selling fudge, Cam uses her photographic memory to stop a crime. A series. (FIC ADL)

Miss Nelson Has a Field Day. Harry Allard. The notorious Viola Swamp is back to shape-up the school's football team. A series. (E ALL)

\*Shoeless Joe and Black Betsy. Phil Bildner. An original "tall-tale" in which Shoeless Joe Jackson goes into a hitting slump just before he is to start his minor league career, so he asks his friend to make him a special bat to help him hit. [Bluebonnet] (E BIL)

Freckle Juice. Judy Blume. Andrew gets a recipe for freckles. (FIC BLU)

A Bear Called Paddington. Michael Bond. A small bear's adventures in London. A series. (FIC BON)

\*The Mouse and the Motorcycle. Beverly Cleary. A boy's friendship with a mouse. A series. [Laura Ingalls Wilder] (FIC CLE)

Ramona, the Brave. Beverly Cleary. Six-year-old Ramona tries to cope with an unsympathetic first grade teacher. A series. (FIC CLE)

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. Roald Dahl. Charlie meets disaster when he tours Willy Wonka's Chocolate Factory. (FIC DAH)

City Green. DyAnne DiSalvo-Ryan. Marcy and Miss Rosa start a campaign to clean up and empty lot and turn it into a community garden. (E DIS)

\*The Man Who Walked Between the Towers. Mordicai Gerstein. A joyful true story of Philippe Petit's 1974 tightrope walk between the World Trade Center Towers. [Caldecott] (791.3 GER)

Sunny Side Up. Patricia Reilly Giff. Summer for Richard Best means facing the two ordeals of summer school and losing his best friend who is moving to Sunny Side Up. A series. (E GIF)

Pinky and Rex and the Bully. James Howe. Pinky learns the importance of identity as he defends his favorite color pink and his friendship with a girl Rex from the neighborhood bully. A series. (E HOW)

Babe: the Gallant Pig. Dick King-Smith. A piglet destined for the butcher shop, arrives at the farmyard, is adopted by an old sheep dog, and discovers a special secret to success. (FIC KIN)

Horrible Harry Moves Up to Third Grade. Suzy Kline. Harry and his friends start off third grade with a new room and a field trip to an old copper mine to study rocks. A series. (FIC KLI)

\*Strawberry Girl. Lois Lenski. A family arouses the enmity of their lazy and proud neighbors. [Newbery] (FIC LEN)

Amelia Bedelia's Family Album. Peggy Parish. Amelia Bedelia entertains Mr. And Mrs. Rogers by showing them her family album and describing what her relatives do. A series. (E PAR)

Dogzilla. David Pilkey. A monstrous mutt terrorizes the residents of Mousopolis, in this spoof of the Godzilla movies. (E PIL)

\*Noah's Ark. Jerry Pinkney. Retells the biblical story of the great flood and how Noah and his family faithfully responded to God's call to save life on earth. [Caldecott] (222 PIN)

Henry and Mudge and the Careful Cousin. Cynthia Rylant. At first Henry's cousin doesn't like his cookies or dog Mudge's slobbery kisses, but when they all play frisbee, she begins to enjoy her visit. A series. (E RYL)

Mr. Putter and Tabby Bake a Cake. Cynthia Rylant. With his fine cat Tabby at his side, Mr. Putter bakes a Christmas cake for his neighbor, Mrs. Teaberry. A series. (E RYL)

Poppleton. Cynthia Rylant. Poppleton the Pig makes a friend, reads a library book, and helps a sick friend get better. A series. (E RYL)

Wayside School Is Falling Down. Louis Sachar. Episodes from Wayside School, accidentally built sideways with one classroom on each story. A series. (FIC SAC)

\*Math Curse. Jon Scieszka. A story about one student who thinks everything in life is about a math problem. [Bluebonnet] (E SCI)

\*The Stinky Cheese Man and other Fairly Stupid Tales. Jon Scieszka. Madcap revisions of some familiar fairy tales. [Bluebonnet] (E SCI)

The Boxcar Children. Gertrude Chandler Warner. Four orphans, two boys and two girls, set up housekeeping in an old boxcar. A series. (FIC WAR)

Charlotte's Web. E.B. White. A spider saves her friend Wilbur the pig. (FIC WHI)

\*Comes a Wind. Linda Arms White. While visiting their mother's ranch, two brothers who constantly try to best each other swap tall tales about big winds and are surprised by the fiercest wind they have ever seen. [Bluebonnet] (E WHI)

The Velveteen Rabbit. Margery Williams Bianco. A toy rabbit becomes real. (FIC BIA)