

Read Across America!

Alabama

Primary

A Black Elephant with a Brown Ear (In Alabama) by Bill Traylor

Elementary

I Am Rosa Parks by Rosa Parks

Upper Elementary

Alabama Moon by Walt Key

**The Watsons Go to Birmingham - 1963* by Christopher Paul Curtis

Run Away Home by Pat McKissack

Bird by Angela Johnson

Alaska

Primary

Running with the Big Dogs: A Sled Dog Puppy Grows Up in Denali National Park, Alaska by Lori Yanuchi

Elementary

The Year of Miss Agnes by Kirkpatrick Hill

Upper Elementary

The Great Eagle Spirit by Hal Granum

Arizona

Primary

Arizona Charlie and the Klondike Kid by Julie Lawson

Desert Trip by Barbara Steiner

Elementary

Charlie Moves to Arizona (Charlie's great adventure) by C.A. Goody

Arkansas

Primary

Amistad: The Story of a Slave Ship: Station Stop 3 by Patricia McKissack

Elementary

Casey Jones (On My Own Folklore) by Stephen Krensky

Upper Elementary

I've Already Forgotten Your Name, Philip Hall! By Bette Greene

California

Primary

Smoky Night (Caldecott Medal Book) by Eve Bunting

Earthquake by Milly Lee

Elementary

Lion Singer by Sylvia Ross

Surfer Dog by Elizabeth Spurr

Upper Elementary

Earthquake!: A Story of the San Francisco Earthquake (Once Upon America) by Kathleen V. Kudlinski

**Higher Power of Lucky* by Susan Patron

**Al Capone Does My Shirts* by Gennifer Choldenko

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Colorado

Primary

Grandfather's Christmas Tree by Keith Strand

Elementary

In the Heart of the Rockies by G.A. Henty

Prairie School by Avi

Upper Elementary

The Coach That Never Came by Patricia Beatty

Nowhere, Now Here by Ann Howard Creel

Connecticut

Primary

The Middle Moffat by Eleanor Estes

Elementary

Little Maid of Old Connecticut by Alice Turner Curtis

Upper Elementary

Windcatcher by Avi

Where the Great Hawk Flies by Liza Ketchum

A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court by Mark Twain

**The Witch of Blackbird Pond* by Elizabeth George Speare

Delaware

Elementary

Reaching Tidewater: Life on the Delaware Canal by Noreen F. Moore

Upper Elementary

Moon of Two Dark Horses by Sally M. Keehn

Florida

Primary

Chessie: The Meandering Manatee by Carol A. Amato

Elementary

The Goose's Gold (A to Z Mysteries) by Ron Roy

Panther Girl by Maity Schrecengost

My Name is Sally Little Song by Brenda Woods

Upper Elementary

**Because of Winn-Dixie* by Kate DiCamillo

A Key Keepers Mystery: The Game Begins by Liz Shore

Manatee Blues by Laurie Halse Anderson

Georgia

Primary

Georgia Music by Helen V. Griffith

Elementary

Eight Paws to Georgia by Pamela Bauer Mueller

Upper Elementary

Moonpie and Ivy by Barbara O'Conner

Blue Ridge by John Harper

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Hawaii

Primary

The Best Hawaiian Style Mother Goose by Kevin Sullivan

Luka's Quilt by Georgia Guback

Elementary

The Broccoli Tapes by Jan Slepian

Upper Elementary

Kaiulani: The People's Princess, Hawaii, 1889 by Ellen Emerson White

Idaho

Primary

Snowboard Twist (Outdoor Adventures) by Jean Craighead George

Elementary

Fire Storm by Jean Craighead George

Upper Elementary

**Walk Two Moons* by Sharon Creech

Fire in the Hole! by Mary Cronk Farrell

Illinois

Elementary

Growing Seasons by Carolyn Pratt

On The Wings of Heroes by Richard Peck

Upper Elementary

**The Great Fire* by Jim Murphy

**A Long Way from Chicago* by Richard Peck

**A Year Down Yonder* by Richard Peck

SURVIVAL! Fire (Chicago, 1871) by Kathleen Duey

Indiana

Primary

A Goose Named Gilligan by Jerry M. Hay

Elementary

Ahyoka and the Talking Leaves by Connie Roop

Ruthie's Gift by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

Upper Elementary

Throwing Stones by Kristi Collier

The Teacher's Funeral: A Comedy in Three Parts by Richard Peck

Iowa

Primary

Junkyard Junction: Squirt's New Home by James Pottebaum and Kelly

Johns

Elementary

Cora Frear by Susan E. Goodman

Upper Elementary

Blue Jasmine by Kashmira Sheth

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Kansas

Primary

Twister Twyla: The Kansas Cowgirl by Jerri Gerretson

Aunt Minnie and the Twister by Mary Skillings Prigger

Elementary

Billy's Mountain by Steve Richardson

Upper Elementary

Steal Away Home by Lois Ruby

Kentucky

Primary

My Mountain Song by Shutta Crum

Elementary

Keeper of the Doves by Betsy Byars

Upper Elementary

Tadpole by Ruth White

Louisiana

Primary

Clovis Crawfish and the Big Betail by Mary Alice Fontenot

Elementary

Mister and Me by Kimberly Willis Holt

Upper Elementary

Fiddle Fever by Sharon Arms Doucet

The Red Rose Box by Brenda Woods

Maine

Primary

Birdie's Lighthouse by Deborah Hopkinson

The Sea Chest by Tony Buzzeo

Elementary

The Seal Island Seven by Susan Bartlett

Upper Elementary

**Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy* by Gary D. Schmidt

Maryland

Elementary

Catie and Josephine by Jonathan Scott Fuqua

Upper Elementary

Amelia's War by Ann Rinaldi

The Art of Keeping Cool by Janet Taylor Lisle

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Massachusetts

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Letting Swift River Go by Jane Yolen

Tattered Sails by Verla Kay

Elementary

Three Young Pilgrims by Cheryl Harness

The Pilgrims of Plimoth by Marcia Sewall

Upper Elementary

A Break with Charity: A Story about the Salem Witch Trials by Ann Rinaldi

Someday by Jackie French Koller

**Olive's Ocean* by Kevin Henkes

Michigan

Primary

By the Light of the Moon: A Story of Kindness and Friendship Above the

Mighty Mac by Lisa Dos Santos

Elementary

Night of the Full Moon by Gloria Whelan

Upper Elementary

The Loon Feather by Iola Fuller

Minnesota

Primary

Marven of the Great North Woods by Kathryn Lasky

Elementary

Bigger by Patricia Calvert

Upper Elementary

The Foxman by Gary Paulsen

The Shrouding Woman by Loretta Elsworth

Mississippi

Primary

Monday on the Mississippi by Marilyn Singer

Elementary

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain

I Dream of Trains by Angela Johnson

Upper Elementary

Let the Circle Be Unbroken by Mildred D. Taylor

Night Cry by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

Missouri

Elementary

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain

Upper Elementary

Sooner by Patricia Calvert

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Montana

Elementary

When the Circus Came to Town by Laurence Yep

Upper Elementary

Rescue Josh Mcguire by Ben Mikaelson

**Hattie Big Sky* by Kirby Larson

Nebraska

Primary

Prairie Friends by Nancy Smiler Levinson

Elementary

Dandelions by Eve Bunting

Upper Elementary

Worth by A. LaFaye

Nevada

Elementary

Weird Stories from the Lonesome Café by Judy Cox

Upper Elementary

Washoe Seasons of Life: A Native American Story by Karen Wallis

New Hampshire

Elementary

Dillon Dillon by Kate Banks

Upper Elementary

The Sin Eater by Gary D. Schmidt

Heart of a Chief by Joseph Bruchnac

New Jersey

Primary

The 18 Penny Goose by Sally M. Walker

Elementary

The Battlefield Ghost by Margery Cuyler

Upper Elementary

The Edison Mystery: Qwerty Stevens, Back in Time by Dan Gutman

Tales of the Atlantic Pirates by Geoffrey Girard

New Mexico

Primary

The Dirty Cowboy by Amy Timberlake

Elementary

The Mystery of the Lost Village by Gertrude Chandler Warner

Upper Elementary

Kokopelli's Flute by Will Hobbs

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New York

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What Zeesie Saw on Delancey Street by Elsa Okon Rael

Elementary

Fleabiscuit Sings! by Marlene Fanta Shyer

Upper Elementary

Between Madison and Palmetto by Jacqueline Woodson

From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by E.L. Konigsburg

North Carolina

Primary

Rescue on the Outer Banks by Candice F. Ransom

Freedom on the Menu: the Greensboro Sit-Ins by Carol Boston

Weatherford

Elementary

Back Home by Gloria Jean Pinkney

Upper Elementary

**Surviving the Applewhites* by Stephanie S. Tolan

North Dakota

Elementary

Spaceship Over North Dakota by Kevin Kremer

Upper Elementary

Jake's Orphan by Peggy Brooke

Blizzard's Wake by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

Ohio

Primary

Ohio Thunder by Denise Dowling Mortensen

Elementary

Danger Along the Ohio by Patricia Willis

Night Boat to Freedom by Margot Theis Raven

Upper Elementary

Gina.Jamie.Father.Bear. by George Ella Lyon

Oklahoma

Primary

Don't Forget Winona by Jeanne Whitehouse Peterson

Green Snake Ceremony by Sherrin Watkins

Elementary

I Have Heard of a Land by Joyce Carol Thomas

Angels in the Dust by Margot Theis Raven

Upper Elementary

The Starplace by Vicki Grove

**Out of the Dust* by Karen Hesse

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Oregon

Primary

Apples to Oregon by Deborah Hopkinson

Elementary

The Mystery of Devil's Gulch by Patricia Rose Upczak

Emily's Runaway Imagination by Beverly Cleary

Upper Elementary

Operation Clean Sweep by Darlene Bailey Beard

Pennsylvania

Primary

The Egg Tree by Katherine Milhous

Sparrow Jack by Mordicai Gerstein

Elementary

Brady by Jean Fritz

The Prometheus Project: Trapped by Douglas E. Richards

Upper Elementary

The Bread Sister of Sinking Creek by Robin Moore

The Philadelphia Adventure by Lloyd Alexander

**An American Plague: The True and Terrifying Story of the Yellow Fever*

Epidemic of 1793 by Jim Murphy

Rhode Island

Primary

Alfred Visits Rhode Island by Elizabeth O'Neill

Elementary

Little Maid of Narragansett Bay by Alice Turner Curtis

Upper Elementary

The Crying Rocks by Janet Taylor Lisle

South Carolina

Elementary

Secret Holes by Pansie Hart Flood

Upper Elementary

The Girl Who Ate Chicken Feet by Sandy Richardson

The Keeping Room by Anna Myers

South Dakota

Primary

Alfred Visits South Dakota by Missie Mcpherson

Elementary

Prairie Summer by Bonnie Geisert

Little Town on the Prairie by Laura Ingalls Wilder

Upper Elementary

Prairie Whispers by Frances Arrington

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Tennessee

Primary

Swamp Angel by Anne Isaacs

Daniel's Duck by Clyde Robert Bulla

Elementary

Sweet By and By by Patricia Hermes

Upper Elementary

Graveyard Girl by Anna Myers

Cold in Summer by Tracy Barrett

Texas

Primary

Ten Cows to Texas: Handprint Books by Peggy Mercer

The Foot-Stomping Adventures of Clementine Sweet by Kitty Griffin

Elementary

West Texas Chili Monster by Judy Cox

Upper Elementary

Lucky Lady by Susan Saunders

Our House on Hueco by Carlos Nicolas Flores

Utah

Elementary

Hannah Stands Tall by Shirley Rees

Upper Elementary

The Great Brain Is Back by John D. Fitzgerald

Vermont

Primary

Here Comes Darrell by Leda Schubert

A Christmas Like Helen's by Natalie Kinsey-Warnock

Nora's Ark by Natalie Kinsey-Warnock

Elementary

A Llama in the Family by Johanna Hurwitz

Upper Elementary

Stray Voltage by Eugenie Doyle

Virginia

Primary

One Christmas Dawn by Candice F. Ransom

Elementary

Moonshiner's Son by Carolyn Reeder

Upper Elementary

**Belle Prater's Boy* by Ruth White

Virginia Bound by Amy Butler

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Washington

Primary

Salt & Pepper at the Pike Place Market by Carol A. Losi

Dear Ichiro by Jean Davies Okimoto

Elementary

The Secret Voice of Gina Zhang by Dori Jones Yang

Upper Elementary

**Our Only May Amelia* by Jennifer L. Holm

Jackie's Wild Seattle by Will Hobbs

Hannah West in Deep Water by Linda Johns

West Virginia

Primary

Little Ned Stories: A Chapter-Picture Book for Kids by Edward Allen Faine

Elementary

**Shiloh* by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

Witch Catcher by Mary Downing Hahn

Upper Elementary

The Haunting of Swain's Fancy by Brenda Seabrooke

Dream Soul by Laurence Yep

A Blue-Eyed Daisy by Cynthia Rylant

Wisconsin

Primary

The Deer in the Wood (Little House) by Laura Ingalls Wilder

The Giant Ball of String by Arthur Geisert

Elementary

Caddie Woodlawn by Carol Ryrie Brink

Upper Elementary

Ida B: . . . and Her Plans to Maximize Fun, Avoid Disaster, and (Possibly)

Save the World by Katherine Hannigan

Wyoming

Primary

Dinosaur Hunter by Elaine Marie Alphin

Elementary

One Day in the Alpine Tundra by Jean Craighead George

Upper Elementary

**Hope Was Here* by Joan Bauer

Walker's Crossing by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

Start by marking "Black Elephant With a Brown Ear (in Alabama)" as Want to Read: Want to Read savingâ€¦ Want to Read. "Bill Traylor was born into slavery and worked as a farmer most of his life; in the years between 1939 and 1942, the elderly, untutored black artist made over 1200 paintings on scraps of paper and cardboard. Porte has taken 10 pieces of art, reproduced here in full-color, and has told an imaginative tale for each one....Porte's writings, which are light and folksy in tone, "Bill Traylor was born into slavery and worked as a farmer most of his life; in the years between 1939 and 1942, the elderly, untutored black artist made over 1200 paintings on scraps of paper and cardboard. Buy a cheap copy of A Black Elephant With a Brown Ear (In book by Barbara Ann Porte. A witty collection of eleven short stories was inspired by a series of intriguing paintings created more than fifty years ago and seen by the author in a museum. Free shipping over \$10. "Bill Traylor was born into slavery and worked as a farmer most of his life; in the years between 1939 and 1942, the elderly, untutored black artist made over 1200 paintings on scraps of paper and cardboard. Porte has taken 10 pieces of art, reproduced here in full-color, and has told an imaginative tale for each one....Porte's writings, which are light and folksy in tone, explore a world of possibilities."--School Library Journal. Rosa Louise McCauley Parks (February 4, 1913 â€" October 24, 2005) was an American activist in the civil rights movement best known for her pivotal role in the Montgomery bus boycott. The United States Congress has called her "the first lady of civil rights" and "the mother of the freedom movement". On December 1, 1955, in Montgomery, Alabama, Parks rejected bus driver James F. Blake's order to relinquish her seat in the "colored section" to a white passenger, after the whites-only section was filled

Civil rights activist Rosa Louise McCauley was born on February 4, 1913, in Tuskegee, Alabama. On December 1st, 1955, Rosa Parks refused to give up her seat on a bus to a white man who was standing as all the "white" seats had been taken. She was arrested and on December 5th, a boycott of the buses started that lasted for 381 days. The boycott only ended when shop keepers in Montgomery urged a settlement as their livelihoods were being ruined as so few African-Americans went into Montgomery to do any shopping. In 1956, the Supreme Court deemed that segregation on buses was unconstitutional. Al