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Red Land, Yellow River

A True Story of the Berlin Airlift and the Candy that
Dropped from the Sky. Life was grim in 1948 West
Berlin, Germany. Josef Stalin blockaded all ground
routes coming in and out of Berlin to cut off West
Berliners from all food and essential supplies. Without
outside help, over 2.2 million people would die. Thus
began the Berlin Airlift, a humanitarian rescue mission

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that utilized British and American airplanes and pilots to fly in needed supplies. As one of the American pilots participating in the Airlift mission, Lt. Gail S. Halvorsen helped to provide not only nourishment to the children but also gave them a reason to hope for a better world. From one thoughtful, generous act came a lifelong relationship between Lt. Gail and the children of Berlin. This is the true story of a seven-year-old girl named Mercedes who lived in West Berlin during the Airlift and of the American who came to be known as the Chocolate Pilot. Artist Gijsbert van Frankenhuyzen's evocative paintings illuminate Margot Theis Raven's powerful story of hope, friendship and remembrance. About the Author: Margot Theis Raven has been a professional writer working in the fields of radio, television, magazines, newspapers, and children's books for thirty years. She has won five national awards, including an IRA Teacher's Choice award. Ms. Raven earned her degree in English from Rosemont College and attended Villanova University for theater study, and Kent State University for German language. Ms. Raven splits her time living in Concord, MA, Charleston, SC and West Chesterfield, NH. About the Illustrator: Born in the Netherlands, Gijsbert van Frankenhuyzen studied at the Royal Academy of Arts in Holland. He immigrated to the United States in 1976, and years later he became a children's book illustrator. Mercedes and the Chocolate Pilot is Nick's ninth children's book with Sleeping Bear Press.

The Children of Topaz

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The scent of Old Witch's scrumptious Halloween pie lures Vampire and Ghoul, Ghost and Banshee, Zombie and Skeleton, from their lairs for a midnight feast. This wonderful read-aloud romp, full of spooky sounds and midnight magic, sure to be a Halloween favorite.

School Spirits

Seymour Simon's Extreme Earth Records

A magical exploration of the ancient landscape of forests and the ancient genre of fairytales, drawing fascinating and surprising connections between the two, by the author of the bestselling *A Book Of Silence*

Sky Jumpers

“What an exciting, inspiring, and wonderfully-written book this is. Each page has lessons for today, and it is also a thrilling narrative to read.”—Walter Isaacson, #1 New York Times Bestselling Author of *Steve Jobs*

The masterfully told story of the unlikely men who came together to make the Berlin Airlift one of the great military and humanitarian successes of American history. On the sixtieth anniversary of the Berlin Airlift, Andrei Cherny tells a remarkable story with profound implications for the world today. In the tradition of the best narrative storytellers, he brings together newly unclassified documents, unpublished letters and diaries, and fresh primary interviews to tell the story of the ill-assorted group of castoffs and

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second-stringers who not only saved millions of desperate people from a dire threat but changed how the world viewed the United States, and set in motion the chain of events that would ultimately lead to the dismantling of the Berlin Wall and to America's victory in the Cold War. On June 24, 1948, intent on furthering its domination of Europe, the Soviet Union cut off all access to West Berlin, prepared to starve the city into submission unless the Americans abandoned it. Soviet forces hugely outnumbered the Allies', and most of America's top officials considered the situation hopeless. But not all of them. Harry Truman, an accidental president, derided by his own party; Lucius Clay, a frustrated general, denied a combat command and relegated to the home front; Bill Tunner, a logistics expert downsized to a desk job in a corner of the Pentagon; James Forrestal, a secretary of defense beginning to mentally unravel; Hal Halvorsen, a lovesick pilot who had served far from the conflict, flying transport missions in the backwater of a global war—together these unlikely men improvised and stumbled their way into a uniquely American combination of military and moral force unprecedented in its time. This is the forgotten foundation tale of America in the modern world, the story of when Americans learned, for the first time, how to act at the summit of world power—a masterful and exciting work of historical narrative, and one with strong resonance for our time.

The Berlin Airlift

Imagine exploring the most extreme parts of our

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amazing planet—trekking through the driest desert, climbing the snowiest mountaintops, and diving to the deepest regions of the ocean floor. Seymour Simon, the dean of children's science nonfiction, investigates Earth's biggest, smallest, deepest, and coldest environments, animals, plants, and most severe weather. These mind-bending facts and photographs invite readers on an exciting, and sometimes unbelievable, scientific expedition of Earth's most amazing records!

Steam Train, Dream Train 1-2-3

Acclaimed historian Barry Turner presents a new history of the Cold War's defining episode. Berlin, 1948 - a divided city in a divided country in a divided Europe. The ruined German capital lay 120 miles inside Soviet-controlled eastern Germany. Stalin wanted the Allies out; the Allies were determined to stay, but had only three narrow air corridors linking the city to the West. Stalin was confident he could crush Berlin's resolve by cutting off food and fuel. In the USA, despite some voices still urging 'America first', it was believed that a rebuilt Germany was the best insurance against the spread of communism across Europe. And so over eleven months from June 1948 to May 1949, British and American aircraft carried out the most ambitious airborne relief operation ever mounted, flying over 2 million tons of supplies on almost 300,000 flights to save a beleaguered Berlin. With new material from American, British and German archives and original interviews with veterans, Turner paints a fresh, vivid picture the

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airlift, whose repercussions – the role of the USA as global leader, German ascendancy, Russian threat – we are still living with today.

Mercedes and the Chocolate Pilot

"World War II was over, and Berlin was in ruins. US Air Force Lieutenant Gail Halvorsen knew the children of the city were suffering. They were hungry and afraid. The young pilot wanted to help, but what could one man in one plane do?"--Dust jacket flap.

And Then It's Spring

Presents the story of how an American pilot participated in the Berlin Airlift and decided to drop candy for the German children caught behind the post-World-War II Soviet blockade, an effort intended to heal the wounds of war.

Christmas from Heaven

Are you looking for a brief introduction to children's literature genres that leaves time to read actual works of children's literature? This new, significantly revised, and streamlined edition of Children's Literature, Briefly introduces the reader to the essential foundations of each children's literature genre, supported by practical features and tools to suggest quality books and activities to advance literacy in the classroom. As new teachers build their classroom libraries, the brevity of this affordable new edition ensures that readers have the resources to

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purchase and time to read actual children's literature. New! Briefer chapters provide essential information on genres, text quality, and censorship, ensuring that new teachers are prepared to teach and read children's literature. Learn to address issues of children's motivation through the use of children's literature in the classroom in Chapter 17. Read descriptions of how children's literature can be used to advance literacy in the classroom in Chapter 18. A unique, colorful illustration guide identifies the visual elements children's literature illustrators use and explains how to evaluate a book by its pictures. Top 10 Favorites as end-of-chapter features provide new teachers with the latest in quick-reference booklists that name the best of the best in children's literature. Notable authors and illustrators features help new teachers get a head start on choosing quality literature. New! Searchable database of 20,000 children's literature titles has been reprogrammed for faster search capabilities, including: Searching for a specific book, Customized searching for award winners or for books by grade level, Tailoring a booklist for a specific child or classroom activity. New! A CD tutorial supports readers in the use of the CD database for the first time. Tech Notes throughout the text suggest where and when to engage the use of the searchable database in coursework and in the classroom. Book jacket.

Moon Without Magic

Sir Ernest Shackleton and his expedition team's journey to the Antarctic continent in 1914 goes

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terribly wrong after their boat is trapped and crushed by ice, leaving them stranded in the most harsh conditions and fighting for their very lives with every step they took. Reprint.

Brothers in Valor

A moving primary source sheds light on the experience of Japanese American children imprisoned in a World War II internment camp. A classroom diary created by Japanese American children paints a vivid picture of daily life in a so-called "internment camp." Mae Yanagi was eight years old when she started school at Topaz Camp in Utah. She and her third-grade classmates began keeping an illustrated diary, full of details about schoolwork, sports, pets, holidays, and health--as experienced from behind barbed wire. Diary pages, archival photographs, and narrative nonfiction text convey the harsh changes experienced by the children, as well as their remarkable resilience.

Two Men and a Car: Franklin Roosevelt, Al Capone, and a Cadillac V-8

THE SNAKE HAS ALL THE LINES

Miss Smith's class can't wait for story time. When their teacher reads from her incredible storybook, the worlds she describes come alive-literally! So when the class takes a field trip to the local aquarium, reading magic brings favorite nautical characters to life, including Long John Silver and the Swiss Family

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Robinson. From swimming with the Little Mermaid to rescuing their treasured storybook from scurvy pirates, it's another rollicking reading adventure Miss Smith's class - and readers - won't soon forget.

The Candy Bomber

Rudi, Helmuth, and Karl are best friends from church. But soon it looks like they may have other Sunday activities--they are forced to join Hitler's youth group. Quickly the boys learn of the ruthlessness and violence of the Nazis. They see their Jewish classmates disappear forever, see families terrorized, and witness the brutal horrors of Kristallnacht, the Night of Broken Glass. The boys realize they must fight for a Germany free of Hitler, even though it will put their lives at risk, and so they launch a clandestine propaganda campaign against the regime. Will they carry on through the terror? Or will the Nazis destroy them before they can spread the truth? This novel is based on the true story of three German teens who had the courage to stand by their convictions--and paid the price. A Junior Library Guild Selection.

Gladys Aylward

Florence Nightingale the Angel of the Crimea : A Story for Young People Step by step, and all unconsciously, Florence Nightingale had been training her hand and eye to follow the dictates of her keen mind and loving heart. Now, grown a young woman, she began to think seriously how she should apply this training.

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What should she do with her life? Should she go on like her friends, in the quiet pleasant ways of country life? The squire's daughter was busy enough, surely. Every hour of the day was full of useful, kindly work, of happy, healthy play; should she be content with this? Her heart told her that she was not content. In her friendly visiting among the sick poor she had seen much misery and suffering, far more than she and all the other kindly ladies could attempt to relieve. She felt that something more was needed; she began to look around to see what was being done in the larger world. It was about this time that she met Elizabeth Fry, the noble and beautiful friend of the prisoner. Mrs. Fry was then an elderly woman, with all the glory of her saintly life shining about her; Florence Nightingale an earnest and thoughtful girl of perhaps eighteen or twenty. It is pleasant to think of that meeting. I do not know what words passed between them, but I can almost see them together, the beautiful stately woman in her Quaker dress, the slender girl with her quiet face and earnest eyes; can almost hear the young voice, questioning, eager and ardent; the elder answering, grave and sedate, words full of weight and wisdom, of sweetness and tenderness. This interview was one of the great moments of Florence Nightingale's early life.

Halloween Pie

*Includes pictures *Includes accounts of the blockade and airlift by Berliners, American officials, and pilots
*Includes online resources and a bibliography for further reading *Includes a table of contents "Here in

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Berlin, one cannot help being aware that you are the hub around which turns the wheel of history. If ever there were a people who should be constantly sensitive to their destiny, the people of Berlin, East and West, should be they." - Martin Luther King, Jr. In the wake of World War II, the European continent was devastated, and the conflict left the Soviet Union and the United States as uncontested superpowers. This ushered in over 45 years of the Cold War, and a political alignment of Western democracies against the Communist Soviet bloc that produced conflicts pitting allies on each sides fighting, even as the American and Soviet militaries never engaged each other. Though it never got "hot" between the two superpowers, the Cold War was a tense era until the dissolution of the USSR, and nothing symbolized the split more than the division of Berlin. Berlin had been a flashpoint even before World War II ended, and the city was occupied by the different Allies even as the close of the war turned them into adversaries. If anyone wondered whether the Cold War would dominate geopolitics, any hopes that it wouldn't were dashed by the Soviets' blockade of West Berlin in April 1948, ostensibly to protest the currency being used in West Berlin but unquestionably aiming to extend their control over Germany's capital. By cutting off all access via roads, rail, and water, the Soviets hoped to force the Allies out, and at the same time, Stalin's action would force a tense showdown that would test their mettle. In response to the blockade, the British, Americans, Canadians, and other Allies had no choice but to either acquiesce or break the blockade by air, hoping (correctly) that the Soviets wouldn't dare shoot down planes being used strictly for civilian

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purposes. Over the course of the next year, over 200,000 flights were made to bring millions of tons of crucial supplies to West Berlin, with the Allies maintaining a pace of landing a plane in West Berlin every 30 seconds at the height of the Airlift. As the success of the Berlin Airlift became clear, the Soviets realized the blockade was ineffective, and both sides were able to save face by negotiating an end to the blockade in April 1949, with the Soviets ending it officially on May 12. The Airlift would technically continue until September, but for all intents and purposes, the first crisis of the Cold War had come to an end, and most importantly, the confrontation remained "cold." For the next decade, West Berlin remained a haven for highly-educated East Germans who wanted freedom and a better life in the West, and this "brain drain" was threatening the survival of the East German economy. In order to stop this, access to the West through West Berlin had to be cut off, so in August 1961, Soviet premier Nikita Khrushchev authorized East German leader Walter Ulbricht to begin construction of what would become known as the Berlin Wall. The wall, begun on Sunday August 13, would eventually surround the city, in spite of global condemnation, and the Berlin Wall itself would become the symbol for Communist repression in the Eastern Bloc. The Berlin Airlift: The History and Legacy of the First Major Crisis of the Cold War chronicles the history that led to the Soviet blockade and the famous relief efforts undertaken to beat it. Along with pictures of important people, places, and events, you will learn about the Berlin Airlift like never before, in no time at all.

The Berlin Candy Bomber

In 1948, during the Russian siege of Berlin, Gail Halvorsen was one of hundreds of US pilots involved in the airlift to bring food and supplies to the people of the divided city. When he came across a group of children, he was impressed to share with them the two sticks of gum he had in his possession, and he later promised to drop several small bundles of candy using parachutes crafted from handkerchiefs as he flew by. This moment of kindness grew into a world-famous operation named "Little Vittles" as Gail Halvorsen became the Candy Bomber and was soon dropping candy for children all over the city. The siege ended in 1949, but the story of "Uncle Wiggly Wings" and the candy-filled parachutes lives on--a symbol of human charity. Gail has received many awards for his efforts and was highlighted in the film Meet the Mormons. In this anniversary edition of The Berlin Candy Bomber, enjoy a foreword by Gerald R. Molen, producer of the award-winning film Schindler's List, and additional high-resolution images of Gail Halvorsen's life and Operation "Little Vittles."

My Name Is Not Isabella

When Mao's Cultural Revolution took hold in China in June 1966, Ange Zhang was thirteen years old. His father was a famous writer. Shortly after the revolution began, many of Ange's classmates joined the Red Guard, Mao's youth movement, and they drove their teachers out of the classrooms. But in the weeks that followed, Ange discovered that his father's

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fame as a writer now meant that he was a target of the new regime. When his father was arrested, he began to question everything that was happening in his country. Finally, Ange was forced to join many other young urban Chinese students in the countryside for re-education where he found the emotional space to develop his own artistic talent and to find that he, like his father, was an artist — except that Ange's talent lay in painting and drawing. This dramatic, painful autobiographical story is complemented by photographs, many drawn from Ange's personal collection, as well as a non-fiction section that explains the historical period and is also illustrated with archival images.

Factory Girl

New York Times Bestseller! Just How Big Can a Little Girl Dream? Ask Isabella She takes a wild ride-and discovers the sky's the limit! "This story speaks frankly about self-identity and self affirmation as Isabella decides at the end that she is actually herself because she possesses the best parts of all of the women she looks up to." -ForeWord Magazine "The colorful mixed-media artwork reinforces the fanciful, upbeat tone of the book. Use this story to ignite young readers' interest in women's history." -School Library Journal Who Is Your Hero? Isabella's include U.S. Astronaut Sally Ride, activist Rosa Parks, and sharpshooter Annie Oakley-but there's no bigger hero than Isabella's own mommy! Join Isabella on an adventure of discovery-and find out how imagining to be these extraordinary women teaches her the importance of

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being her extraordinary self. A rollicking read-aloud and terrific "read-to-myself" story, *My Name Is Not Isabella* is capturing hearts and awards, including: Silver ForeWord Book of the Year Award for Picture Books Gold Moonbeam Children's Book Award Gold Independent Publisher Book Award Amelia Bloomer List Jennifer Fosberry is a science geek turned children's book writer. Until recently, she worked as a project manager in Silicon Valley in the high-tech electronic field. She currently divides her time between the San Francisco Bay Area and Costa Rica with her husband and three children. Mike Litwin combines a variety of media to create scenes that serve the imagination and education of women. A graduate of the East Carolina University School of Art and Design, he plays both designer and illustrator with an often wacky, always delightful style that uniquely blends playful innocence with devilish mischief. Illustrating and telling stories for children is his passion, his entertainment, and his dream. He currently lives in Greenville, North Carolina, with his wife and three daughters.

The Candymakers

An informative resource for formal studies of the Prydain Chronicles, as well as an excellent opportunity to delve into the fantastic workings of Prydain "The Prydain Companion is more than a quick reference or handy glossary, though it is all of that as well. Instructive, certainly. But, like any good companion, a pleasure to be with over a long period of time." —Lloyd Alexander, from the foreword This

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intriguing volume is at once a wonderful reference resource and a vehicle for exploration and discovery in itself. Complete with a biographical sketch of Lloyd Alexander, a personal foreword by Mr. Alexander, a "How to Use the Companion" section from the author, pronunciation keys, excerpts throughout, and—most substantially—an alphabetical guide to the peoples, places, and objects of the Prydain Chronicles, *The Prydain Companion* is a one-stop reference book for a beloved world of fantasy and magic. For those who love the works of Lloyd Alexander—young readers, teachers, researchers, all—and those who are only beginning to know them, here is a worthy and useful travelmate.

Shipwreck at the Bottom of the World

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The Prydain Companion

Juan Garcia Esquivel was born in Mexico and grew up to the sounds of mariachi bands. He loved music and became a musical explorer. Defying convention, he created music that made people laugh and planted images in their minds. Juan's space-age lounge music popular in the fifties and sixties has found a new generation of listeners.

The Berlin Airlift

A jinni grants Aminah three wishes with the rising of each full moon. His magic brings Aminah food, clothing, and shelter, but Aminah cannot achieve true happiness until she has helped the suffering people she has left behind. Aminah and Jinni have to rely on wit, luck, and a bit of sorcery in order to find the lamp and survive thieving bands, pirates, and their biggest challenge of all: Princess Badr.

The Candy Bombers

In the early hours of June 26, 1948, phones began ringing across America, waking up the airmen of World War II—pilots, navigators, and mechanics—who were finally beginning normal lives with new houses,

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new jobs, new wives, and new babies. Some were given just forty-eight hours to report to local military bases. The president, Harry S. Truman, was recalling them to active duty to try to save the desperate people of the western sectors of Berlin, the enemy capital many of them had bombed to rubble only three years before. Soviet dictator Joseph Stalin had ordered a blockade of the city, isolating the people of West Berlin, using hundreds of thousands of Red Army soldiers to close off all land and water access to the city. He was gambling that he could drive out the small detachments of American, British, and French occupation troops, because their only option was to stay and watch Berliners starve—or retaliate by starting World War III. The situation was impossible, Truman was told by his national security advisers, including the Joint Chiefs of Staff. His answer: "We stay in Berlin. Period." That was when the phones started ringing and local police began banging on doors to deliver telegrams to the vets. Drawing on service records and hundreds of interviews in the United States, Germany, and Great Britain, Reeves tells the stories of these civilian airmen, the successors to Stephen Ambrose's "Citizen Soldiers," ordinary Americans again called to extraordinary tasks. They did the impossible, living in barns and muddy tents, flying over Soviet-occupied territory day and night, trying to stay awake, making it up as they went along and ignoring Russian fighters and occasional anti-aircraft fire trying to drive them to hostile ground. The Berlin Airlift changed the world. It ended when Stalin backed down and lifted the blockade, but only after the bravery and sense of duty of those young heroes had bought the Allies enough

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time to create a new West Germany and sign the mutual defense agreement that created NATO, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. And then they went home again. Some of them forgot where they had parked their cars after they got the call.

Wishing Moon

A concise, engaging, practical overview of children's literature that keeps the focus on the books children read. This brief introduction to children's literature genres leaves time to actually read children's books. Written on the assumption that the focus of a children's literature course should be on the actual books that children read, the authors first wrote this book in 1996 as a "textbook for people who don't like children's literature textbooks." Today it serves as an overview to shed light on the essentials of children's literature and how to use it effectively with young readers, from PreK to 8th grade. The authors use an enjoyable, conversational style to achieve their goal of providing a practical overview of children's books that offers a framework and background information, while keeping the spotlight on the books themselves.

I Am David

Aminah is an orphan living on the streets of Al Kal'as. Desperate, she appeals to Princess Badr for work. The princess responds by throwing her husband, Aladdin's, seemingly worthless lamp at her. But to Aminah's surprise, the lamp is magic.

Gossip from the Forest

Based upon the diary of a third-grade class of Japanese-American children being held with their families in an internment camp during World War II, *The Children of Topaz* gives a detailed portrait of daily life in the camps where Japanese-Americans were taken during the war. There are many primary source documents including the children's drawings, maps of the camp, and photographs depicting the harsh, wartime attitudes toward these families.

Desert Diary

Nowadays it's no big deal or a girl to travel seventy-five miles. But when Charlotte May Pierstorff wanted to cross seventy-five miles of Idaho mountains to see her grandma in 1914, it was a very big deal indeed. There was no highway except the railroad, and a train ticket would have cost her parents a full day's pay. Here is the true story of how May got to visit her grandma, thanks to her won spunk, her father's ingenuity, and the U.S. mail. 00-01 CA Young Reader Medal Masterlist and 01 Colorado Children's Book Award (Pic. Bk Cat.)

Beauty and the Beastly Children

Simple text reveals the anticipation of a boy who, having planted seeds while everything around is brown, fears that something has gone wrong until, at last, the world turns green. By the Caldecott-winning artist of *A Sick Day for Amos McGee*.

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Esquivel!

When Patrick moves to a new town, he is confronted by a ghostly boy who seeks his help.

Candy Bomber

Nelson Mandela is one of the great moral and political leaders of our time: an international hero whose lifelong dedication to the fight against racial oppression in South Africa won him the Nobel Peace Prize and the presidency of his country. Since his triumphant release in 1990 from more than a quarter century of imprisonment, Mandela has been at the center of the most inspiring political drama in the world. *Mandela: An Illustrated Autobiography* tells the extraordinary story of Nelson Mandela's life, an epic of struggle, setback, renewed hope, and ultimate triumph. With nearly 200 stunning photographs - many of them published here for the first time - and with text adapted from his remarkable memoir *Long Walk to Freedom*, this moving book captures the indomitable spirit of a moral giant and dramatically portrays his struggle toward freedom. Mandela's journey is vividly and eloquently recounted: the development of his political consciousness, his pivotal role in the formation of the African National Congress Youth League, his years underground - which led to a sentence of life imprisonment in 1964 - and his twenty-seven years behind bars. He also movingly recounts the momentous events leading up to his victory in South Africa's first-ever multiracial elections in 1994.

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Daring Young Men

After the love of Beauty turns him from a Beast into a handsome prince, Auguste fails to reform the bad habits of his past and sees the spell passed on to his three sons.

Miss Smith Under the Ocean

Twelve-year-old Emily Watson desperately needs to keep her job in the overcrowded Acme Garment Factory where she works for four dollars a week, but when tragedy strikes, she must decide where her loyalties lie. Simultaneous.

Children's Literature, Briefly

It is December 8, 1941, the day after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, and President Franklin Delano Roosevelt leads a nation in crisis. He must make a speech to a joint session of Congress that will build support for America's entry to World War II, but to do that he needs an armored vehicle in which to make the short trip from the White House to the Capitol Building. According to legend, the car Roosevelt rode in that day, borrowed from the FBI's impound lot, was an armored Cadillac V-8 built for gangster Al Capone in the late 1920s to shield himself from enemies. Is the legend true, or is it an American tall tale in the tradition of Paul Bunyan or John Henry? Either way, it's an ideal vehicle to compare and contrast the lives of two American men who grew up within miles of one another: one a great president, the other an infamous

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Mandela

Four children have been chosen to compete in a national competition to find the tastiest confection in the country. Who will invent a candy more delicious than the Oozing Crunchorama or the Neon Lightning Chew? Logan, the Candymaker's son, who can detect the color of chocolate by touch alone? Miles, the boy who is allergic to merry-go-rounds and the color pink? Daisy, the cheerful girl who can lift a fifty-pound lump of taffy like it's a feather? Or Philip, the suit-and-tie wearing boy who's always scribbling in a secret notebook? This sweet, charming, and cleverly crafted story, told from each contestant's perspective, is filled with mystery, friendship, and juicy revelations.

Mailing May

Cuddle up with the beloved animal friends from the bestselling Steam Train, Dream Train and count on lots of fun! Little train enthusiasts will love counting from one to ten along with the dreamy train cars!

Children's Literature, Briefly

Twelve-year-old Hope lives in a post World War III town called White Rock where everyone must participate in Inventions Day, and though Hope's inventions always fail, her unique skill set comes in handy when bandits who want to steal precious medical supplies invade the town.

Nikola Tesla for Kids

Nikola Tesla was a physicist, scientist, electrical engineer, and world-renowned inventor whose accomplishments faded into oblivion after his death in 1943. Tesla was undeniably eccentric and compulsive; some considered him to be somewhat of a "mad" scientist. But in reality, he was a visionary. Many of his ideas and inventions that were deemed impossible during his lifetime have since become reality. He was the first to successfully use rotating magnetic fields to create an AC (alternating current) electrical power supply system and induction motor. He is now acknowledged to have invented the radio ahead of Marconi. Among other things, he developed the Tesla coil, an oscillator, generators, fluorescent tubes, neon lights, and a small remote-controlled boat. He helped design the world's first hydroelectric plant at Niagara Falls. Nikola Tesla for Kids is the story of Nikola Tesla's life and ideas, complete with a time line, 21 hands-on activities, and additional resources to better understand his many accomplishments.

Florence Nightingale the Angel of the Crimea : A Story for Young People

Gladys Aylward was a brave young lady who went to China on her own and was able to rescue 100 children from the Japanese army.

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