A PLACE IN THE SUN
by Jill Rubalcaba (J RUBALCA)
In ancient Egypt, the gifted young son of a sculptor is taken into slavery when he attempts to save his father's life, and is himself almost killed before his exceptional talent leads Pharoah to name him Royal Sculptor.

THE MIDDLE AGES

HARALD AND THE GREAT STAG
by Donald Carrick (E CARRICK)
When Harald, who lives in England during the Middle Ages, hears that the Baron and his guests are planning to hunt the legendary Great Stag, he devises a clever scheme to protect the animal.

FIRE BED AND BONE
by Henrietta Branford (J BRANFOR)
In 1381 in England, a hunting dog recounts what happens to his beloved master Rufus and his family when they are arrested on suspicion of being part of the peasants' rebellion led by Wat Tyler and the preacher John Ball.

THE DOOR IN THE WALL
by Marguerite DeAngeli (J DEANGEL)
Robin struggles with his lameness in thirteenth century England. He is assisted in his search for self-worth by Brother Luke, a monk who tells him, "It is better to have crooked legs than a crooked spirit."

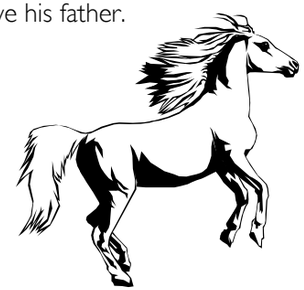
A BOY AND HIS BEAR
by Harriet Graham (J GRAHAM)
Dickon rescues his bear cub friend from certain death at the hands of bear catchers in Medieval England. Told in part from the point of view of the cub.

A PROUD TASTE FOR SCARLET AND MINIVER
by E.L. Konigsburg (J KONIGSB)
While waiting in heaven for divine judgement to be passed on her second husband, Eleanor of Aquitaine and three of the people who knew her well recall the events of her life.

ADAM OF THE ROAD
by Elizabeth Gray Vining (J VINING)
The adventures of eleven-year-old Adam as he travels the open roads of thirteenth-century England searching for his missing father, a minstrel, and his stolen red spaniel, Nick.

CRISPIN: THE CROSS OF LEAD
by Avi (Y AVI)
Falsely accused of theft and murder, an orphaned peasant boy in fourteenth-century England flees his village and meets a larger-than-life juggler who holds a dangerous secret.

THE TRUMPETER OF KRAKOW
by Eric Kelly (Y KELLY)
A Polish family in the Middle Ages guards a great secret treasure and a boy's memory of an earlier trumpeter of Krakow makes it possible for him to save his father.



I RODE A HORSE OF MILK WHITE JADE
by Diane L. Wilson (Y WILSON)
Oyuna tells her granddaughter the story of how love for her horse enabled her to win a race and bring good luck to her family living in Mongolia in 1339.

16TH CENTURY JAPAN

THE SAMURAI'S TALE
by Erik Haugaard (J HAUGAAR)
In turbulent sixteenth-century Japan, orphaned Taro is taken in by a general serving the great warlord Takeda Shingen and grows up to become a samurai fighting for the enemies of his dead family.

VALLEY OF THE BROKEN CHERRY TREES
by Lensey Namioka (J NAMIOKA)
In Japan during the 16th century two unemployed samurai attempt to discover who is mutilating the cherry trees in the valley of Lord Ohmori.

1800 – 1900'S

NORY RYAN'S SONG
by Patricia Reilly Giff (J GIFF)
When a terrible blight attacks Ireland's potato crop in 1845, twelve-year-old Nory Ryan's courage and ingenuity help her family and neighbors survive. The sequel is *Maggie's Door.*

THE ROAD FROM HOME
by David Kherdian (JB KHERDIA)
A biography of the author's mother concentrating on her childhood in Turkey before the Turkish government deported its Armenian population.

YEAR OF IMPOSSIBLE GOODBYES
by Sook Nyul Choi (J CHOI)
A young Korean girl survives the oppressive Japanese and Russian occupation of North Korea during the 1940's, to later escape to freedom in South Korea.

WORLD WAR I

THE YEAR OF THE PERFECT CHRISTMAS TREE: An Appalachian Story
by Gloria Houston (E HOUSTON)
Ruthie and her mother set out to fulfill their obligation of getting the perfect Christmas tree to the town for the holiday celebration, since Papa has left the Appalachian area to go to war.

WAITING FOR THE EVENING STAR
by Rosemary Wells (E WELLS)
Growing up between 1909 and 1917, Berty enjoys the slow-rolling wheel of time on his Vermont farm and cannot understand his older brother's desire to see other parts of the world.

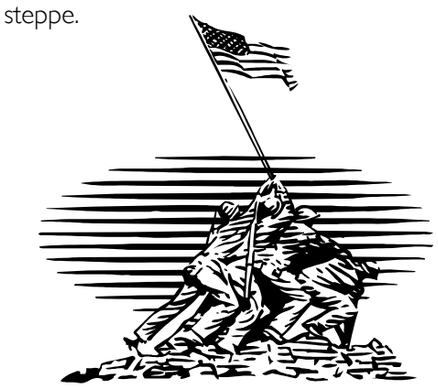
LORD OF THE NUTCRACKER MEN
by Iain Lawrence (J LAWRENC)
An English boy during World War I comes to believe that the battles he enacts with his toy soldiers control the war his father is fighting on the front.

FIRE IN THE HILLS
by Anna Myers (Y MYERS)
In 1918 in the hills of eastern Oklahoma, sixteen-year-old Hallie faces many changes in her life after her mother dies and she takes over caring for the family.

WORLD WAR II

YEAR OF IMPOSSIBLE GOODBYES
by Sook Nyui Choi (J CHOI)
A young Korean girl survives the oppressive Japanese and Russian occupation of North Korea during the 1940s, to later escape to freedom in South Korea.

THE ENDLESS STEPPE: GROWING UP IN SIBERIA
by Esther Hautzig (J HAUTZIG)
During WWII, when she was eleven years old, the author and her family were arrested in Poland by the Russians as political enemies and exiled to Siberia. She recounts here the trials of the following five years spent on the harsh Asian steppe.



LOVE YOU, SOLDIER
by Amy Hest (J HEST)
Katie, a Jewish girl living in New York City during World War II, sees many dynamic changes in her world as she ages from seven to ten waiting for her father to return from the war.

NORTH TO FREEDOM
by Anne Holm (J HOLM)
After escaping from an Eastern European concentration camp where he has spent most of his life, a twelve-year-old boy struggles to cope with an entirely strange world as he flees northward to freedom in Denmark.

CAPTAIN'S COMMAND
by Anna Myers (J MYERS)
Even as Christmas approaches and Gail longs to hear that her soldier father has not been killed in World War II, the sixth grader helps bring her handicapped uncle back to life.

UNDER THE BLOOD-RED SUN
by Graham Salisbury (J SALISBU)
Tomikazu Nakaji's biggest concerns are baseball, homework, and a local bully, until life with his Japanese family in Hawaii changes drastically after the bombing of Pearl Harbor in December 1941.

THE CAY
by Theodore Taylor (J TAYLOR)
When the freighter on which they are traveling is torpedoed by a German submarine during World War II, an adolescent white boy, blinded by a blow on the head, and an old black man are stranded on a tiny Caribbean island.

JOURNEY TO TOPAZ
by Yoshiko Uchida (J UCHIDA)
After the Pearl Harbor attack an eleven-year-old Japanese-American girl and her family are forced to go to an aliens camp in Utah. The sequel is *Journey Home*.

SUMMER OF MY GERMAN SOLDIER
by Bette Greene (Y GREENE0
Sheltering an escaped German prisoner of war is the beginning of some shattering experiences for a 12-year-old Jewish girl in Arkansas.

GOOD NIGHT, MR. TOM
by Michelle Magorian (Y MAGORIA)
A battered child learns to embrace life when he is adopted by an old man in the English countryside during the Second World War.

THE LAST MISSION
by Harry Mazer (Y MAZER)
In 1944 a 15-year-old Jewish boy tells his family he will travel in the West but instead, enlists in the United States Air Corps and is subsequently taken prisoner by the Germans.

THE MACHINE GUNNERS
by Robert Westall (Y WESTALL)
After an air raid, a group of English children find a German machine gun and hide it from adults who are looking for it.

THE HOLOCAUST

THE NIGHT CROSSING
by Karen Ackerman (J ACKERMA)
In 1938, having begun to feel the persecution that all Jews are experiencing in their Austrian city, Clara and her family escape over the mountains into Switzerland.

WAITING FOR ANYA
by Michael Morpurgo (J MORPURG)
Jo lives in a village on the French/Spanish border in the Pyrenees mountains during the German occupation of France in WWII. When he meets Benjamin, a man trying to smuggle Jewish children across to safety in Spain, Jo finds that his life, and the lives of others, depends on how well he keeps his dangerous secret.

THE DEVIL'S ARITHMETIC
by Jane Yolen (J YOLEN)
Hannah opens the door during a Passover Seder, and finds herself in Poland during World War II.

DIARY OF A YOUNG GIRL
by Anne Frank (JB FRANK)
In a few cramped rooms, a young girl in hiding chronicles her passage from child to woman.

MISCHLING SECOND DEGREE
by Ilse Koehn (JB KOEHN)
The true story of a German girl who became a leader among the Hitler Youth while her family kept the secret of her Jewish heritage.

THE UPSTAIRS ROOM
by Johanna Reiss (JB REISS)
A Dutch Jewish girl describes the two-and-one-half years she spent in hiding in the upstairs bedroom of a farmer's house during World War II. The sequel is *Journey Back*.

BEHIND THE SECRET WINDOW
by Nelly Toll (JB TOLL)
The author recalls her experiences when she and her mother were hidden from the Nazis by a Gentil couple in Lwow, Poland, during WWII.

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STORIES FROM WORLD HISTORY

For kids

Ancient Egypt, The Middle Ages, 16th Century Japan, 1800-1900's, WWI, WWII and *The Holocaust.*

ANCIENT EGYPT

MARA, DAUGHTER OF THE NILE
by Eloise McGraw (Y MCGRAW)
The adventures of an ingenious Egyptian slave girl who undertakes a dangerous assignment as a spy in the royal palace of Thebes, in the days when Queen Hatshepsut ruled.

MIRIAM
by Beatrice Gormley (J GORMLEY)
While living in Pharoah's palace in ancient Egypt, Miriam, the sister of Moses in the Hebrew scriptures, struggles to remain loyal to her people and her God.