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The Story of Mankind	1922	Narrated by the author and written for his children (Hansje and Willem)	Non Fiction History	History of Western Civilization
The Voyages of Doctor Dolittle	1923	Narrator by 9 and 1/2- year-old Tommy Stubbins, a crewman	Fantasy Fiction	Anthropomorphism
The Dark Frigate	1924	Nineteen-year-old Philip Marsham	Historical Fiction	Pricary, Moral Predictaments
Tales from Silver Lands	1925	Various	Fairy Tales / Forklore	Hard Work, Courage, Loyalty
Shen of the Sea: Chinese Stories for Children	1926	Various	Fairy Tales / Forklore	Chinese Culture
Smoky, the Cowhorses	1927	Horse Smoky and Trainer Clint	Fictional Literature	Respect and Compassion
Gay Neck, the Story of a Pigeon	1928	Gay-Neck, a prized Indian pigeon, and his master	Historical Fiction	India Culture
The Trumpeter of Krakow	1929	15-year-old Joseph Charnetski from a Polish noble family from Kresy	Historical Fiction	Polish culture
Hitty, Her First Hundred Years	1930	Narration by a wooden 19th century doll named Mehitabel (Hitty) carved	Fictional Literature	Fortitude and Endurance
The Cat Who Went to Heaven	1931	Japanese artist and his housekeeper	Folktale	True Meaning of Love, Compassion, Mercy
Waterless Mountain	1932	Navajo Indian Dawn Boy, also known as "Younger Brother" or "Little Singer"	Fiction Literature	Navajo Culture
Young Fu of the Upper Yangtze	1933	13-year-old Young Fu Yuin-Fah, 1920s in Chungking	Fiction Literature	Chinese Culture
Invincible Louisa	1934	Louisa May Alcott	Biography	Sense of Morality
Dobry	1935	Young boy, Dobry, lives in small farming village in Bulgaria	Fictional Literature	Bulgaria Culture

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Caddie Woodlawn	1936	11-year-old tomboy name Caroline Augusta Woodlawn, nickname Caddie,	Historical Fiction	Relationship between white settlers and the Native Americans
Roller Skates	1937	10-year-old narrator Lucinda Wyman in New York City	Historical Fiction	Italian Immigrants
The White Stag	1938	Two sons of Nimrod: Hunor and Magyar	Fantasy Fiction	Asia/Europe Content
Thimble Summer	1939	10-year-old Garnet Linden lives on a Wisconsin farm in the 1930s	Children's Novel	Family and Adventure
Daniel Boone	1940	Daniel Boone, wilderness scout	Biography, Non Fiction Historical	Life, Death, Legacy of Danial Boone
Call it Courage	1941	Matfu, son of the Great Chief of Hikueru	Fiction Literature	Polynesian Culture
The Matchlock Gun	1942	Edward in 1756 in New York State	Historical Fiction	Dutch Culture
Adam of the Road	1943	11-year-old Adam in 13th Century England	HIstorical Fiction	Value of Patience and Perseverance
Johnny Tremain	1944	14-year-old apprentice Johnny Tremain	Historical Fiction	Tolerance of Disabilities, Humility
Rabbit Hill	1945	Little Georgie of the rabbit family	Fantasy	Anthropomorphism
Strawberry Girl	1946	10-year-old Burdie Boyer in the Florida backwoods	Realistic Fiction	Real Life in Florida Backwoods
Miss Hickory	1947	Miss Hickory, a doll made from an apple tree twig and hickory nut	Fairy Tale	Nature
The Twenty-One Balloons	1948	Professor William Waterman Sherman in 1883	Science Fiction / Fantasy	Innovation, Eccentricity, Cooperation
King of the Wind	1949	Arabian horse named Sham and stable boy named Agba	Historical Fiction - Adventure	Moroccan Culture
The Door in the Wall	1950	Boy named Robin in England in the MIddle Ages and Brother Luke, a friar	Historical Fiction	Perservance in the Face of Adversity

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Amos Fortune Free Man	1951	Amos Fortune, a young African prince of the tribe At-mun-shi, born in Africa	Biography	African American Culture
Ginger Pye	1952	Jerry Pye, resident in Cranbury, Connecticut, in 1919	Fiction Literature	Loyalty
Secret of the Andes	1953	Cusi, a modern Inca boy, from the Andes mountains	Historical Fiction	Inca Indian Culture
And Now Miguel	1954	12-year-old Miguel Chavez, a Hispanic- American shepherd from New Mexico	Fictional Literature	Hispanic Culture
The Wheel on the School	1955	Schoolchildren: Lina, Jella, Auka, Eelka, Pier and Dirk in Dutch fishing village	Realistic Fiction	Dutch Born American Culture
Carry On, Mr. Bowditch	1956	Nat Bowditch, 18th math wizard, during the Revolutionary War era in	Historical Fiction	Perservance, Commitment
Miracles on Maple Hill	1957	10-year-old Marly and her older brother Joe	Historical Fiction	Mortality, Regeneration and Neighborly Fellowship
Rifles for Watie	1958	16-year-old Jefferson Davis Bussey in Mississippi during the Civil War	Historical Fiction	War, Obstacles and Reconciliation
The Witch of Blackbird Pond	1959	16-year-old Katherine Tyler (known as Kit Tyler) in 17th century in England	Historical Fiction	Taking Responsibility and Making Wise Decisions
Onion John	1960	12-year-old Andy Rusch in New Jersey in the 1950's	Historical Fiction	Awaking of Self Awareness, Accepting Others
Island of the Blue Dolphins	1961	12-year-old Karana on an island off the coast of California in the early 1800s	Historical Fiction	Multicultural
The Bronze Bow	1962	Young Jewish boy, Daniel bar Jamin, who lives the same time as Jesus of	Action Packed Novel	Israeli Culture
A Wrinkle in Time	1963	Meg Murray, brother Charles and friend Calvin O'Keefe	Science Fiction - Fantasy	Battle of Good vs. Evil
It's Like This Cat	1964	14-year-old Dave Mitchell growing up in New York City	Realistic Fiction	Father/Son, Relationship of Acceptance
Shadow of a Bull	1965	12-year-old Manolo Olivar, son of Juan Olivar, a renowned bullfighter in Spain	Realistic Fiction	Multicultural

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I, Juan de Pareja	1966	Character of Pareja, a half-African slave of Velazquez	Biography, Historical Fiction	Multicultural
Up a Road Slowly	1967	7-year-old Julie matures through age 17	Coming of Age Novel	Transitions are Inevitable
From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler	1968	12-year-old Claudia Kincaid and her sibling 9-year-old James	Realistic Fiction	Family and Mystery Solving
The High King	1969	Taran, Welsh Assistant Pig-Keeper, joined by three other interesting	Fantasy Novel	Making Difficult Decisions, Taking Responsibility
Sounder	1970	Young boy referred only as "the boy" living in a sharecropper family in the	Fictional Literature	Prejudices African-Americans Face
The Summer of the Swans	1971	14-year-old Sara Byars and mentally challenged brother, Charlie	Fictional Literature	Coming of Age
Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of Nimh	1972	Widowed field mouse, Mrs. Frisby with her four small children	Fantasy	Anthropomorphism
Julie of the Wolves	1973	13-year-old orphaned Julie an Inuk girl	Adventure Realistic Novel	Culture of an Eskimo Girl
The Slave Dancer	1974	13-year-old Jessie Bollier	Historical Fiction	Prejudices African-Americans Face
The Grey King	1975	Will Stanton and his friend Bran Davies	Science Fiction Fantasy	Jealousy, Anger, Hate
M. C. Higgins, the Great	1976	13-year-old Mayo Cornelius Higgins who lives in the Appalachian	Coming of Age Novel	Alienation, Reconciliation, Understanding
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry	1977	Nine-year-old Cassie Logan and siblings Stacey (12), Christopher-John	Historical Fiction	Prejudices African-Americans Face
The Bridge to Terabithia	1978	11-year-old Jesse "Jess" Aarons and his next-door neighbor Leslie Burke	Coming of Age Novel	Friendship
The Westing Game	1979	16 potential heirs to Westing's will	Mystery	Information and How People Interpret
A Gathering of Days A New England Girl's Journal, 1830-32	1980	13-year-old Catherine and best friend Cassie in New Hampshire	Historical Fiction	Journal of a Humble Life

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Jacob Have I Loved	1981	Sara Louise Bradshaw and twin Caroline in Chesapeake Bay during	Coming of Age Novel	Sibling Rivalry and Jealousy
A Visit to Williams Blake's Inn	1982	Poetry for children with imaginary inn and unusual guests	Children's Picture Book	Search for Identity, Perseverance
Dicey's Song	1983	Dicey Tillerman and 3 siblings, Sammy, Maybeth, and James	Realistic Fiction	Reaching Out to Others
Dear Mr. Henshaw	1984	6th grade Leigh who is new in town	Juvenile Epistolary Novel	Overcome Life's Obstacles, Divorce, Positive attitude
The Hero and the Crown	1985	Aerin, only child of Arlbeth, king of Damar	Science Fiction Fantasy	Heroine
Sarah, Plain and Tall	1986	Sarah, young girl from late 1900s in midwestern United States	Historical Fiction	Loneliness, Abandonment, Coping with Change
The Whipping Boy	1987	Jemmy, a young orphaned boy	Adventure Novel	Power and Social Position
Lincoln: A Photobiography	1988	Biography of Civil War President Lincoln	Illustrated Biography	American History, The Civil War, Historical Figures
Joyful Noise: Poems for Two Voices	1989	Two-voice / choral group narrators	Non Fiction Poetry	Celebration of the Insect World
Number the Stars	1990	10-year-old Annemarie Johansen and her Jewish best friend Ellen Rosen	Historical Fiction based on true story of resistance to	Bravery, True Friendship
Maniac Magee	1991	Orphan Jeffrey Lionel (Maniac) Magee	Sports Novel	Homelessness, Family, Racism, Friendship
Shiloh	1992	Narrator, Marty Preston, from West Virginia	Realistic Fiction	Anthropomorphism
Missing May	1993	Narrator, 6-year-old orphan, Summer, in present day West Virginia	Fictional Literature	Grief, Grieving Process
The Giver	1994	12-year-old boy named Jonas	Science Fiction Fantasy	Freedom, Choice
Walk Two Moons	1995	Narrator Salamanca Tree Hiddle, better known as Sal.	Novel (Story within a story)	Grief, Discovery of Self-Identity, and Hope

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The Midwife's Apprentice	1996	Orphaned and apprentice teen named Alyce in medieval Europe	Historical Fiction	Perseverance in Adversity
The View from Saturday	1997	Eva Marie Olinski, paraplegic teacher, and four of her students	Realistic Fiction	Kindness and Courage
Out of the Dust	1998	14-year-old girl, Billie Joe	Historical Fiction	Loss and Forgiveness, Family, Environment
Holes	1999	Stanley Yelnats IV	Humor	Justice, Friendship, Integrity
Bud, Not Buddy	2000	10-year-old, Bud Caldwell in the Midwest in the late 1930s	Adventure Historical Fiction	Africian-American Culture
A Year Down Yonder	2001	15-year-old Mary Alice Dowdel on a farm in Illinois	Historical Fiction	Justice
A Single Shard	2002	12-year-old orphan, Tree-ear, in 12th- century Korea	Novel (12th Century)	Korea Culture
Crispin: The Cross of Lead	2003	13-year-old Crispin from England village in the 14th century	Historical Fiction	14th-Century English Culture
The Tale of Despereaux	2004	Mouse who lives in a castle named Despereaux Tilling; and his	Fantasy	Anthropomorphism
Kira-Kira	2005	Katie Takeshima and her sister set in the south in the 1950-60's	Historical Fiction	Japanese-American Culture
Criss Cross	2006	14-year-old Debbie and three middle school neighborhood friends	Realistic Fiction	Identify and Change
The Higher Power of Lucky	2007	10-year-old, Lucky lives in trailer in small town Hard Pan, California	Realistic Fiction	Abandonment
Good Masters! Sweet Ladies! Voices from a Medieval Village	2008	Characters ranging from a run-away boy to the lord's daughter, 19	Monologues and Dialogues	Adversity
The Graveyard Book	2009	Orphaned boy, named Nobody Owens, called Bod	Young Adult Fantasy Novel	Alienation
When You Reach Me	2010	6th grader Miranda's Sinclair from Upper West Side New York in 1978	Science Fiction, Mystery Novel	Independence, Redemption, Friendship

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Moon Over Manifest	2011	Abilene Tucker, adventurous 12-year- old girl in 1936	Historical Fiction	Community, Friendship, Prejudice, Class Discrimination
Dead End in Norvelt	2012	Jack Gantos, American school boy	Autobiographical Novel	Loyalty
The One and Only Ivan	2013	Gorilla named Ivan who has lived in the Big Top Mall for 27 years	Humor	Friendship
Flora and Ulysses	2014	Flora Belle Buckman, self proclaimed cynic	Adventure Novel	Seeing the World Differently
The Crossover	2015	Josh and Jordan, twin brothers, who share a love for basketball	Children's Book verse	Family
Last Stop on Market Street	2016	Young boy, CJ, and grandmother, Nana	Fictional Literature	Intergenerational Friendship, Community, Beauty
The Girl Who Drank the Moon	2017	Young girl named Luna	Fantasy	Family, Love
Hello Universe	2018	11-year-old Virgil also known as "Turtle"	Fictional Literature	Friendship, Teamwork, Courage, Selfacceptance
Merci Suarez Changes Gears	2019	6th-grader Mercedes "Merci" Suárez, heroine, is a student at a Florida elite	Fictional Literature	Cuban-American Culture
New Kid	2020	7th grader Jordan Banks	Graphic Novel	Racial Prejudice, Social Exclusion, Artistic Development
When You Trap a Tiger	2021	8-year-old Korean American girl named Lily and her family	Forklore	Korean American Culture