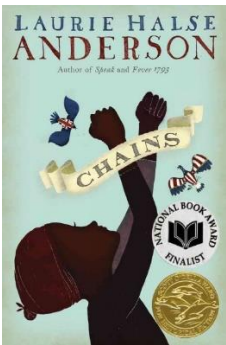


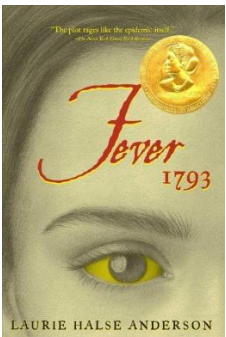


# Upper Elementary Historical Fiction Books

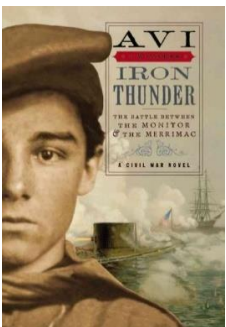
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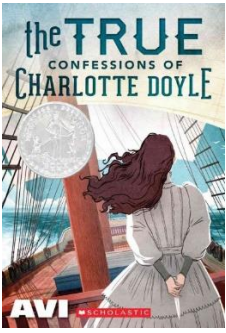
**Chains** (J AND) by Laurie Halse Anderson: After being sold to a cruel couple in New York City, a slave named Isabel spies for the rebels during the Revolutionary War. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



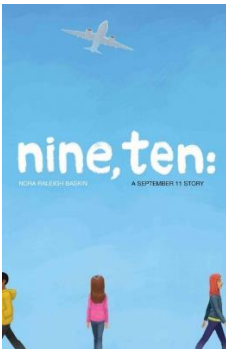
**Fever 1793** (J AND) by Laurie Halse Anderson: In 1793 Philadelphia, sixteen-year-old Matilda Cook, separated from her sick mother, learns about perseverance and self-reliance when she is forced to cope with the horrors of a yellow fever epidemic. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



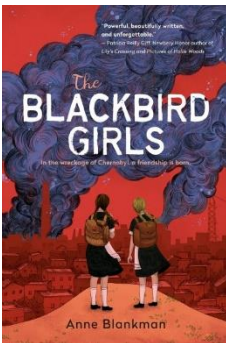
**Iron Thunder** (J AVI) by Avi: After his father is killed during the Civil War, thirteen-year-old Tom takes on a job to at the ironworks to support his family, and finds himself a target of ruthless spies when he begins assisting with the ironclad ship the "Monitor."



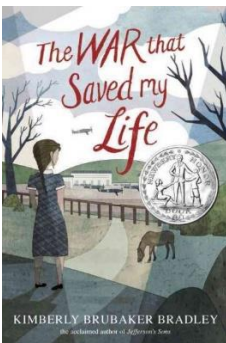
**[The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle](#) (JPB AVI) by Avi:** As the only passenger, and the only female, on a transatlantic voyage in 1832, thirteen-year-old Charlotte finds herself caught between a murderous captain and a mutinous crew. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



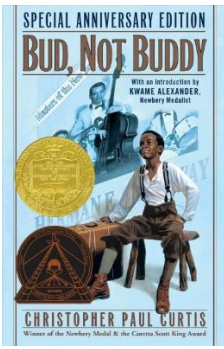
**[Nine, Ten: A September 11 Story](#) (J BAS) by Nora Raleigh Baskin:** Relates how the lives of four children living in different parts of the country intersect and are affected by the events of September 11, 2001. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



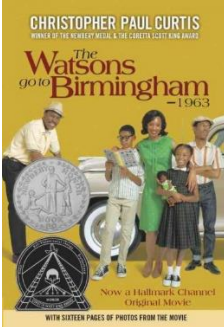
**[The Blackbird Girls](#) (J BLA) by Anne Blankman:** Relocating to Leningrad in the wake of the Chernobyl disaster, neighbors Valentina and Oksana, who have been taught to hate each other because of religious differences, uncover painful family secrets while learning what it means to trust another person. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



**[The War That Saved My Life](#) (J BRA) by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley:** A young disabled girl and her brother are evacuated from London to the English countryside during World War II, where they find life to be much sweeter away from their abusive mother. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



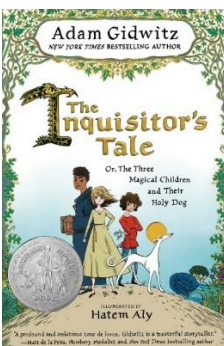
**[Bud, Not Buddy](#)** (J CUR and JPB CUR) by Christopher Paul Curtis: Ten-year-old Bud, a motherless boy living in Flint, Michigan, during the Great Depression, escapes a bad foster home and sets out in search of the man he believes to be his father--the renowned bandleader, H.E. Calloway of Grand Rapids. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



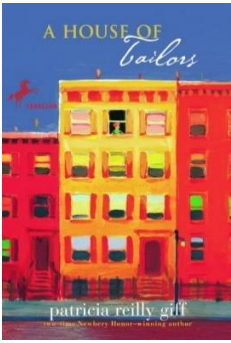
**[The Watsons Go to Birmingham, 1963](#)** (J CUR and JPB CUR) by Christopher Paul Curtis: The ordinary interactions and everyday routines of the Watsons, an African American family living in Flint, Michigan, are drastically changed after they go to visit Grandma in Alabama in the summer of 1963. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



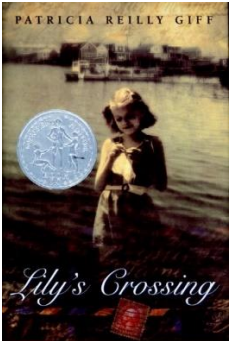
**[Stella by Starlight](#)** (J DRA) by Sharon M. Draper: When a burning cross set by the Klan causes panic and fear in 1932 Bumblebee, North Carolina, fifth-grader Stella must face prejudice and find the strength to demand change in her segregated town. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



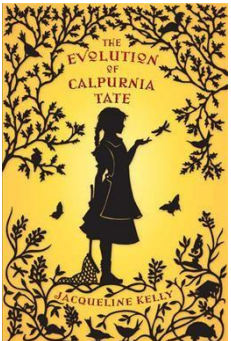
**[The Inquisitor's Tale: Or, the Three Magical Children and Their Holy Dog](#)** (J GID) by Adam Gidwitz: Crossing paths at an inn, thirteenth-century travelers impart the tales of a monastery oblate, a Jewish refugee, and a psychic peasant girl with a loyal greyhound, the three of whom join forces on a chase through France to escape persecution. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



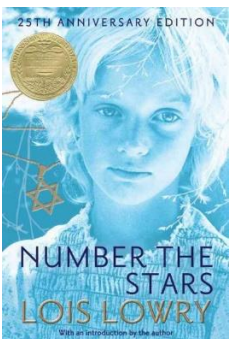
**[A House of Tailors](#) (JPB GIF) by Patricia Reilly Giff:** When thirteen-year-old Dina emigrates from Germany to America in 1871, her only wish is to return home as soon as she can, but as the months pass and she survives a multitude of hardships living with her uncle and his young wife and baby, she finds herself thinking of Brooklyn as her home. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



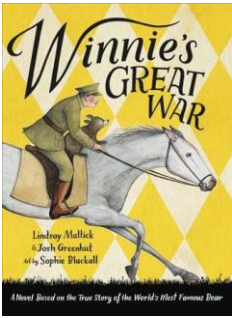
**[Lily's Crossing](#) (J GIF and JPB GIF) by Patricia Reilly Giff:** During a summer spent at Rockaway Beach in 1944, Lily's friendship with a young Hungarian refugee causes her to see the war and her own world differently. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



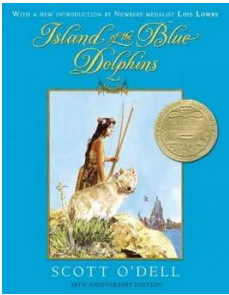
**[The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate](#) (J KEL) by Jacqueline Kelly:** In central Texas in 1899, eleven-year-old Callie Vee Tate is instructed to be a lady by her mother, learns about love from the older three of her six brothers, and studies the natural world with her grandfather, the latter of which leads to an important discovery. Also available as [eBook](#)



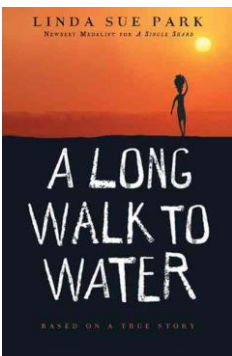
**[Number the Stars](#) (J LOW) by Lois Lowry:** In 1943, during the German occupation of Denmark, ten-year-old Annemarie learns how to be brave and courageous when she helps shelter her Jewish friend from the Nazis. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



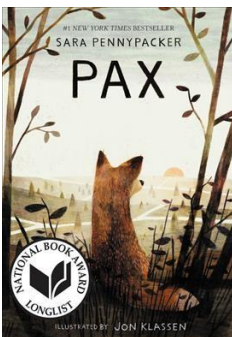
**Winnie's Great War (J MAT) by Lindsay Matlack:** An imagining of the real journey undertaken by the extraordinary bear, from her early days in the Canadian forest to her travels with the Veterinary Corps across the country and overseas, all the way to the London Zoo, where she met Christopher Robin Milne and inspired the creation of Winnie-the-Pooh. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



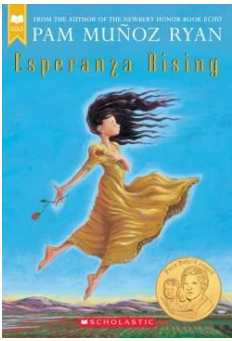
**Island of the Blue Dolphins (J ODE) by Scott O'Dell:** Left alone on a beautiful but isolated island off the coast of California, a young Indian girl spends eighteen years, not only merely surviving through her enormous courage and self-reliance, but also finding a measure of happiness in her solitary life. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



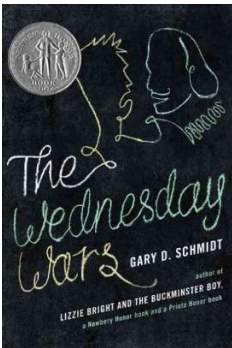
**A Long Walk to Water (J PAR) by Linda Sue Park:** When the Sudanese civil war reaches his village in 1985, eleven-year-old Salva becomes separated from his family and must walk with other Dinka tribe members through southern Sudan, Ethiopia, and Kenya in search of safe haven. Based on the life of Salva Dut, who, after emigrating to America in 1996, began a project to dig water wells in Sudan. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



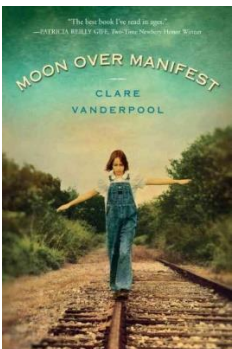
**Pax (J PEN) by Sara Pennypacker:** After being forced to give up his pet fox Pax, a young boy named Peter decides to leave home and get his best friend back. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



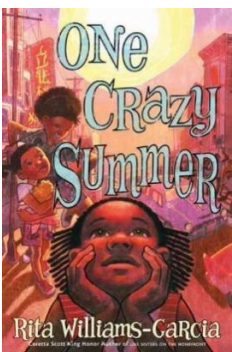
**Esperanza Rising (JPB RYA) by Pam Muñoz Ryan:** Esperanza and her mother are forced to leave their life of wealth and privilege in Mexico to go work in the labor camps of Southern California, where they must adapt to the harsh circumstances facing Mexican farm workers on the eve of the Great Depression. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



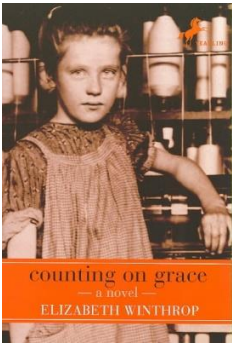
**The Wednesday Wars (J SCH) by Gary D. Schmidt:** During the 1967 school year, on Wednesday afternoons when all his classmates go to either Catechism or Hebrew school, seventh-grader Holling Hoodhood stays in Mrs. Baker's classroom where they read the plays of William Shakespeare and Holling learns much of the value about the world he lives in. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



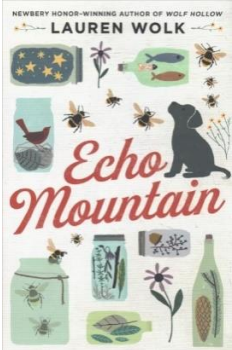
**Moon Over Manifest (J VAN) by Claire Vanderpool:** Twelve-year-old Abilene Tucker is the daughter of a drifter who, in the summer of 1936, sends her to stay with an old friend in Manifest, Kansas, where he grew up, and where she hopes to find out some things about his past. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



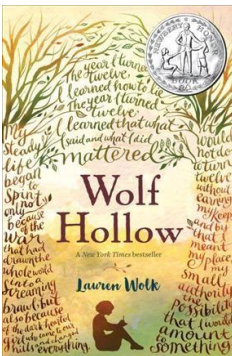
**One Crazy Summer (J WIL) by Rita Williams-Garcia:** In the summer of 1968, after travelling from Brooklyn to Oakland, California, to spend a month with the mother they barely know, eleven-year-old Delphine and her two younger sisters arrive to a cold welcome as they discover that their mother, a dedicated poet and printer, is resentful of the intrusion of their visit and wants them to attend a nearby Black Panther summer camp. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



**[Counting on Grace](#) (JPB WIN) by Elizabeth Winthrop:** It's 1910 in Pownal, Vermont. At 12 Grace and her best friend Arthur must go to work in the mill, helping their mothers work the looms. Together Grace and Arthur write a secret letter to the Child Labor Board about underage children working in the mill. A few weeks later, Lewis Hine, a famous reformer arrives undercover to gather evidence. Grace meets him and appears in some of his photographs, changing her life forever. Also available as [Audiobook](#)



**[Echo Mountain](#) (J WOL) by Lauren Wolk:** When twelve-year-old Ellie and her family lose livelihood and move to a mountain cabin in 1934, she quickly learns to be an outdoors woman and, when needed, a healer. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)



**[Wolf Hollow](#) (J WOL) by Lauren Wolk:** Twelve-year-old Annabelle must learn to stand up for what's right in the face of a manipulative and violent new bully who targets people Annabelle cares about, including a homeless World War I veteran. Also available as [eBook](#) and [Audiobook](#)