

Holocaust Literature for Youth

Recommended by the Sydney Taylor Book Award Committee of the Association of Jewish Libraries

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Below are all of the Holocaust titles that have been recognized by the Association of Jewish Libraries' Sydney Taylor Book Award committee, from the award's inception in 1968 to the current day. The list includes books whose focus is on the Holocaust as well as those in which its echoes are felt less directly. There are fiction and nonfiction titles for early childhood to middle grade through young adult readers. Each title's recognition status and age category is provided at the end of the annotation, as well as a note of whether the book is fiction or nonfiction.

This information has been extracted from the complete list of Sydney Taylor winners, honors, and notable books [available on the AJL website](#).

2021

Blankman, Anne. *The Blackbird Girls*. New York: Puffin Books, an imprint of Penguin Young Readers Group, a division of Penguin Random House, 2020. ISBN: 9781984837356 In 1986, Valentina and Oksana flee the meltdown of the Chernobyl nuclear power plant. In 1941, Rifka finds refuge while escaping the Nazis. Blankman masterfully merges the timelines of these two stories in this compelling work of historical fiction. (Middle Grade Honor)

Hesse, Monica. *They Went Left*. Boston, MA: Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, an imprint of Hachette Book Group, 2020. ISBN: 9780316490573 A historical mystery with an unreliable narrator, this post-war page-turner is set primarily in a displaced persons camp. It tells the story of Zofia, desperately searching for her little brother Abek...and the possibility of a life after trauma. (Young Adult Honor)

Hopkinson, Deborah. *We Had to Be Brave: Escaping the Nazis on the Kindertransport*. New York: Scholastic Focus, an imprint of Scholastic, 2020. ISBN: 9781338255720 Hopkinson weaves together primary sources — memoirs, interviews, and photographs — to piece together the accounts of 21 children and teens who were saved from the Nazis via the Kindertransport in this meticulously researched World War II nonfiction book. Back matter includes a timeline, additional resources, source notes, and an index. (Notable Middle Grade)

Wiemer, Liza *The Assignment*. New York: Delacorte Press, an imprint of Random House Children's Books, a division of Penguin Random House, 2020. ISBN: 9780593123164 Based on a true incident, a high school teacher assigns students to argue in favor of the Final Solution. Two students fight back, and the resulting schism rocks the school and community. (Notable Young Adult)

2020

Palacio, R.J. *White Bird: A Wonder Story*. Illustrated by the author. New York: Knopf Books for Young Readers, an Imprint of Alfred A. Knopf, a division of Penguin Random House, 2019. ISBN: 9780525645535 This beautifully illustrated graphic novel connects the Holocaust to familiar contemporary characters, as Julian from the Wonder series learns his grandmother's powerful story of rescue in Vichy-occupied France. (Middle Grade Award Winner)

DeWoskin, Rachel. *Someday We Will Fly*. New York: Viking, an imprint of Penguin Young Readers, a division of Penguin Random House, 2019. ISBN: 9780670014965 In this lushly written historical novel, Lillia and her father and sister flee Warsaw during the Holocaust and take refuge in Shanghai. There, Lillia's need to support her family, her relationships with others, and her awareness of her privilege even as a refugee all contribute to her growth. (Young Adult Award Winner)

Maraniss, Andrew. *Games of Deception: The True Story of the First US Olympic Basketball Team at the 1936 Olympics in Hitler's Germany*. New York: Philomel Books, an imprint of Penguin Young Readers, a division of Penguin Random House, 2019. ISBN: 9780525514633 Maraniss weaves two stories, an Olympics charged with antisemitism, and the broader tale of basketball's history, to create this engaging, well-contextualized work of nonfiction. (Middle Grade Honor)

Kacer, Kathy. *Masters of Silence*. Toronto: Annick Press, 2019. ISBN: 9781773212623 Jewish siblings Helen and Henry hide in a convent during the Holocaust. The theme of their need to keep silent about who they are is underscored by the help they receive from real-life mime Marcel Marceau. (Notable Middle Grade)

Ravel, Edeet. *A Boy is Not a Bird*. Toronto: Groundwood Books, 2019. ISBN: 9781773061740 Naive but evolving narrator Natt, growing up under Communism, tells a story not usually told about events during the Holocaust. (Notable Middle Grade)

Marrin, Albert. *A Light in the Darkness: Janusz Korczak, His Orphans, and the Holocaust*. New York: Knopf Books for Young Readers, a division of Penguin Random House, 2019. ISBN: 9781524701208 Marrin's vivid narrative shares Korczak's heroism and dedication to caring for orphans during his lifetime, with diversions into the larger historical picture giving context to Korczak's life. (Notable Young Adult)

2019

Stamper, Vesper. *What the Night Sings*. Illustrated by the author. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, an imprint of Random House Children's Books, 2018. ISBN: 9781524700386 This beautifully illustrated novel tells the story of teen Holocaust survivor Gerta as she struggles to reconcile her identity and desires in the wake of tragedy. (Fiction, Award Winner for Teen Readers)

Weissman, Elissa Brent. *The Length of a String*. New York: Dial Books for Young Readers, an imprint of Penguin Young Readers, a division of Penguin Random House, 2018. ISBN: 9780735229471 Imani's wonderings about her past and her adoption dovetail with the diary she discovers that belonged to her great-grandmother, an evacuee during the Holocaust. A thoughtful exploration of family and Jewish identity. (Fiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Frank, Anne. *Anne Frank's Diary: The Graphic Adaptation*. Adapted by Ari Folman. Illustrated by David Polonsky. New York: Pantheon Books, an imprint of Penguin Random House, 2018. ISBN: 9781101871799 This graphic adaptation brings Anne Frank and the other residents of the Secret Annex to life. Though it makes the fear inherent in their situation clear, it also conveys plenty of ordinary, even humorous moments, reminding readers just how real the people were. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Kacer, Kathy. *The Sound of Freedom*. Toronto, CA: Annick Press, 2018. ISBN: 9781554519699 As Hitler and the Nazis rise to power, Anna, the daughter of a prominent Polish clarinet player feels more and more unsafe. When she finds out that an orchestra is being formed in Palestine by musician Bronislaw Huberman, she pushes her father to audition. Though they encounter challenges, Anna and her family ultimately have hope for the future. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Nielsen, Jennifer. *Resistance*. New York: Scholastic, 2018. ISBN: 9781338148473 When her family is upended in Nazi-occupied Poland, teenager Chaya Linder is determined to make a difference. Circumstances send her from being a courier, to raiding Nazi supplies, to finally the biggest mission of all, the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

2018

Gratz, Alan. *Refugee*. New York: Scholastic, 2017. ISBN: 9780545880831 The journeys of three different young refugees from Nazi Germany, 1990s Cuba and present-day Syria come together to form an emotional and timely narrative about the refugee experience. (Fiction, Award Winner for Older Readers)

Iturbe, Antonio. *The Librarian of Auschwitz*. Translated by Lilit Thwaites. New York: Godwin Books, an imprint of Henry Holt and Company, 2017. ISBN: 9781627796187 This powerful story of Dita Kraus and her protection of a handful of books in the Auschwitz concentration camp shows the importance of hope in the darkest of times. (Fiction, Award Winner for Teen Readers)

Kacer, Kathy with Jordana Lebowitz. *To Look a Nazi in the Eye: A Teen's Account of a War Criminal Trial*. Toronto: Second Story Press, 2017. ISBN: 9781772600407 Lebowitz attended the first week of the trial of Oskar Groening, known as "the bookkeeper of Auschwitz." She blogged about her experience, and as the granddaughter of Holocaust survivors, went through a myriad of emotions. Kacer chronicles both her account and the trial testimony. She returned to Canada and closely followed the rest of the trial (Groening was found guilty of facilitating mass murder and sentenced to four years in prison, but he died before he began his sentence). Lebowitz is now a human rights advocate. (Nonfiction, Honor Book for Teen Readers)

Kaurin, Marianne. *Almost Autumn*. Translated by Rosie Hedger. New York: Arthur A. Levine Books, an imprint of Scholastic, 2017. ISBN: 9780545889650 Ilse Stern's is stood up for what was to be her first date with her crush and neighbor Hermann Rod, and things get more complicated from there. Hermann joins the resistance and Ilse's family faces the anti-Semitism of Quisling's Norway during World War II. Will first love triumph? (Fiction, Honor Book for Teen Readers)

Locke, Katherine. *The Girl with the Red Balloon (The Balloon makers)*. Park Ridge, IL: Albert Whitman, 2017. ISBN: 9780807529379 Time travel and a red balloon propel Ellie Baum to 1988 East Berlin, where she must fight the evils of dark magic that are trying to change history. (Fiction, Honor Book for Teen Readers)

Bisson, Michelle. *Hedy's Journey: The True Story of a Hungarian Girl Fleeing the Holocaust (Encounter: Narrative Nonfiction Picture Books)*. Illustrations by El Primo Ramón. Mankato, MN: Capstone Press, 2017. ISBN: 9781515782223 Hedy leaves Hungary in 1941, and she must way her way to America alone. Her journey is fraught with both fortune and misfortune, and both happiness and sadness. Based on the author's mother's experiences. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Golabek, Mona and Lee Cohen. *The Children of Willesden Lane: A True Story of Hope and Survival during World War II: Young Readers Edition*. Adapted by Emil Sher. New York: Little Brown Books for Young Readers, a division of Hachette Book Group, 2017. ISBN: 9780316554886 Adapted from the original (Grand Central Publishing, 2003), Golabek's mother leaves her idyllic life in Vienna, and travels on the Kindertransport to her new home in an orphanage outside London. Worried about family and old friends, her new friends bolster her as she fulfills her potential as a musical prodigy and eventually attends the Royal Academy of Music on a scholarship. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Pearl, Sydelle. *Wordwings*. Montreal: Guernica Editions, 2017. ISBN: 9781771831963 Emanuel Ringelblum organized an archive and collected diaries and documents to chronicle life in the Warsaw Ghetto. Twelve-year-old Rivka Rosenfeld writes her thoughts between the pages of a Hans Christian Andersen book, which is also hidden in a milk can for posterity. (Fiction, Notable Books for Older Readers)

Romero, R. M. *The Dollmaker of Krakow*. New York: Delacorte Press, an imprint of Random House Children's Books, 2017. ISBN: 9781524715397 Fairy tale and harsh reality intertwine as Karolina the doll, is brought by a "kind wind" to the shop of Cyryl the dollmaker. They try to help violinist Josef and his daughter Rena escape the Krakow ghetto and avoid extermination by the Nazis. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Frankl, Viktor E. *Man's Search for Meaning: Young Reader Edition*. Boston, MA: Beacon Press, 2017. ISBN: 9780807067994 Frankl's best-selling work has been abridged, with much of the discussion of scientific and philosophical references left out and more focus on the meaning of life and the meaning of suffering. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

Schulman, L. B. *Stolen Secrets*. Honesdale, PA: Boyds Mills Press, a division of Highlights, 2017. ISBN: 9781629797229 Livvy's grandmother Adelle, whom Livvy had thought was dead, suffers from Alzheimer's Disease. As Livvy gets to know her grandmother and reads her journal entries, she learns that Adelle was in a concentration camp and may have a connection to Anne Frank. Things go awry when Livvy's mother ends up back in rehab, and Livvy and friend Franklin D. must protect Adelle. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

2017

Savit, Gavriel. *Anna and the Swallow Man*. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, an imprint of Penguin Random House, 2016. ISBN: 9780553513349 Anna is left alone in 1939 Krakow when the Nazis take her father away. She meets the mysterious Swallow Man who is able to speak "bird," and travels with him in the forests of Poland, where they spend four years hiding and eluding capture. This is a haunting story that may be allegory or folktale or perhaps both. (Fiction, Award Winner for Teen Readers)

Gottesfeld, Jeff. *The Tree in the Courtyard: Looking Through Anne Frank's Window*. Illustrated by Peter McCarty. New York, NY: Alfred A. Knopf, an imprint of Random House, 2016. ISBN: 9780385753975 Lyrical text and dramatic brown-ink illustrations on creamy paper depict the story of the Frank family from the third-person perspective of the tree that stood outside Anne's window of the attic annex. An afterword tells more: "Saplings and seedpods from Anne Frank's tree have been planted around the world." (Fiction, Notable Book for Younger Readers)

Arato, Rona. *The Ship to Nowhere: On Board the Exodus*. Toronto: Second Story Press, 2016. ISBN: 9781772600186 In this work of historical fiction set in 1947 and based on actual events, eleven-year-old Rachel, her sister, and their mother are Jewish refugees aboard the Exodus taking them to Palestine. In view of land, the ship is detained by British warships and prevented from docking. The refugees' plight gained international attention and aid from caring individuals. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Mazzeo, Tilar J. *Irena's Children: Young Readers Edition: A True Story of Courage*. Adapted by Mary Cronk Farrell. New York, NY: Margaret K. McElderry Books, an imprint of Simon & Schuster, 2016. ISBN: 9781481449915 Irena Sendler was a brave Christian Polish woman who rescued thousands of Jewish children during World War II. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

McDonough, Yona Zeldis. *The Bicycle Spy*. New York, NY: Scholastic Books, 2016. ISBN: 9780545850957 In a French village in 1942, twelve-year-old Marcel joins the Resistance and delivers messages via bicycle to help his Jewish friends evade capture. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

2016

Appelfeld, Aharon. *Adam and Thomas*. Translated by Jeffrey M. Green. Illustrations by Phillipe Dumas. New York: Seven Stories Press, 2015. ISBN: 9781609806347 Adam and Thomas are two nine-year-old boys who must fend for themselves in the forest during WWII. With only minimal help, the boys live under harsh conditions, fighting for survival and experience small miracles. (Fiction, Award Winner for Older Readers)

Hyde, Heidi Smith. *Shanghai Sukkah*. Illustrations by Jing Jing Tsong. Minneapolis, MN: Kar-Ben Publishing, 2015. ISBN: 9781467734745 To escape the war, Marcus and his family move from Berlin to China. With his new friend

Liang, Marcus learns to celebrate Sukkot while embracing his new surroundings and Chinese customs. (Fiction, Honor Book for Younger Readers)

Kacer, Kathy. *Stones on a Grave*. Victoria, BC: Orca Book Publishers, 2015. ISBN: 9781459806597 It's 1964 and eighteen-year-old Sara, an orphan from Ontario, treks to Germany to unravel the truth about her Jewish parentage. This book is part of the *Secrets* series. (Fiction, Honor Book for Teen Readers)

Nelson, Suzanne. *Serendipity's Footsteps*. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, an imprint of Random House, 2015. ISBN: 9780385392129 From Nazi Germany to a modern-day orphanage in the American South, three girls are linked by a pair of shoes across time and distance. (Fiction, Honor Book for Teen Readers)

Cerrito, Angela. *The Safest Lie*. New York: Holiday House, 2015. ISBN: 9780823433100 Nine-year-old Anna struggles to conceal and relinquish her Jewish heritage when she must pose as a Catholic girl in order to escape the Warsaw Ghetto. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Cohen-Janka, Irene. *Mr. Doctor: Janusz Korczak and the Orphans of the Warsaw Ghetto*. Illustrations by Maurizio A. C. Quarello. Toronto: Annick Press, 2015. ISBN: 9781554517152 Based on a true story, this illustrated book is about Janusz Korczak, a Polish doctor who cared for and housed and ultimately refused to abandon a group of Jewish children in the Warsaw Ghetto. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Patrick Lewis, J. *The Wren and the Sparrow*. Illustrations by Yevgenia Nayberg. Minneapolis, MN: Kar-Ben Publishing, 2015. ISBN: 9781467719513 Forced to surrender their musical instruments to the Nazis, this lyrical story based on true events focuses on the story of a musician, his clever student and the miraculous preservation of a beloved hurdy-gurdy that withstands the war and sees through generations. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Hopkinson, Deborah. *Courage and Defiance: Stories of Spies, Saboteurs, and Survivors in World War II Denmark*. New York: Scholastic Press, 2015. ISBN: 9780545592208 This book chronicles the true stories of the brave people behind the Nazi resistance efforts and the countless lives they saved during the Holocaust. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

Thor, Annika. *Deep Sea*. New York: Delacorte Press, 2015. ISBN: 9780385743853 Three years earlier, Jewish sisters Stephie and Nellie were sent to live with foster families on a Swedish island. Now sixteen-years-old, Stephie deals with "typical" teen issues such as school and friends while grappling with the fact that her parents remain in an Austrian concentration camp. This is the third book about the Steiner Sisters. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

2015

Dauvillier, Loïc. *Hidden: A Child's Story of the Holocaust*. Illustrated by Marc Lizano. Color by Greg Salsedo. Translated by Alexis Siege. New York: First Second, 2014. ISBN: 9781596438736 In graphic novel format, a grandmother recounts to her granddaughter her experiences as a hidden Jewish child in Nazi-occupied France during the Holocaust. The grey and brown-tinted illustrations portray a dark and scary time. However, the text and images provide a gentle introduction to the Holocaust for elementary grade and middle grade readers. (Fiction, Award Winner for Older Readers)

Elvgren, Jennifer. *Whispering Town*. Illustrations by Fabio Santomauro Minneapolis, MN: Kar-Ben Publishing, a division of Lerner Publishing Group, Inc., 2014. ISBN: 9781467711944 A picture book set in 1943 Nazi-occupied Denmark. In a small fishing village Anett and her parents hide a Jewish mother and son in their cellar until they can travel safely to Sweden. Evocative illustrations add depth to the story. (Fiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Perl, Lila. *Isabel's War*. Brooklyn: New York: Lizzie Skurnick Books, an imprint of IG Publishing, 2014. ISBN: 9781939601278 Isabel is a self-centered American girl who is not happy about having to spend her summer vacation in a resort with her parents. She is even more unhappy when she finds out she will have to share her room with Helga, a beautiful German girl. Gradually, Isabel learns what is happening to the Jews in Europe, that Helga was saved by the Kindertransport, and tries to learn the terrible secret Helga is keeping. The story integrates factual material about World War II, the status of refugees, attitudes of Americans towards the German refugees and some of the experiences of the Kindertransport children. (Fiction, Honor Book for Teen Readers)

Zail, Suzy. *Playing for the Commandant*. Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2014. ISBN 9780763664039 In Auschwitz, young pianist Hanna must perform for the Nazis to keep her mother and sister alive. She falls in love with the commandant's son, Karl, whose kindness in the face of horror helps sustain her. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teens)

Blankman, Anne. *Prisoner of Night and Fog*. New York: Balzer + Bray, 2014. ISBN: 9780062278814 In 1923 Munich, seventeen-year-old Gretchen, a favorite of "Uncle Dolph," has her eyes opened to the coming atrocities by a courageous young Jewish reporter. Taut mystery, engaging historical fiction, and romantic love story. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teens)

2014

Bascomb, Neal. *The Nazi Hunters: How a Team of Spies and Survivors Captured the World's Most Notorious Nazi*. New York: Arthur A. Levine Books, 2013. ISBN: 9780545430999 A stunning account of the mission to capture Adolf Eichmann by an elite team of Israeli spies is dramatically brought to life by Neal Bascomb. (Nonfiction, Award Winner for TeenReaders)

Leyson, Leon with Marilyn J. Harran and Elisabeth B. Leyson. *The Boy on the Wooden Box: How the Impossible Became Possible...on Schindler's List*. New York: Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2013. ISBN: 9781442497818 The late Leon Leyson has created an inspiring memoir about his experiences during the Holocaust. He was one of the youngest children on Oskar Schindler's list. (Nonfiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Matas, Carol. *Dear Canada: Pieces of the Past: The Holocaust Diary of Rose Rabinowitz, Winnipeg, Manitoba, 1948*. Scholastic Canada, 2013. ISBN: 9781443113076 Rose's fictional diary depicts her struggle to adjust to a new life as an orphan in Canada after WWII and shares her horrific experiences during the war. (Fiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Sax, Aline. *The War Within These Walls*. Illustrated by Caryl Strzelecki. Translated by Laura Watkinson. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans Books for Young Readers, 2013. ISBN: 9780802854285 The appalling conditions of the Warsaw Ghetto are shown in this unforgettable illustrated novel. A teenage Jewish boy narrates a story beginning with the invasion of Poland, and dramatically showing the role he plays in the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising. (Fiction, Honor Book for Teen Readers)

Macdonald, Maryann. *Odette's Secrets*. New York: Bloomsbury Children's Books, 2013. ISBN: 9781599907505 After the Nazis invade Paris, Odette is sent to live with a Catholic family in the countryside. In order to stay safe, she must shed her Jewish identity. Based on a true story and told in free verse poetry, Macdonald tells the story of a young girl burdened by loss and secrets. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Weiss, Helga. *Helga's Diary: A Young Girl's Account of Life in a Concentration Camp*. Translated by Neil Bermel. New York: W.W. Norton & Company, 2013. ISBN: 9780393077971 Cemented in a brick wall and miraculously retrieved after the war, Helga's real-life diary depicts her experiences in Terezin. With updated with family photos, footnotes, recollections, Helga's childhood drawings, seventeen journal entries, and diagrams, the bravery of a young girl during such a perilous time is illuminated. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

Lieberman, Leanne. *Lauren Yanofsky Hates the Holocaust*. Olympia, WA: Orca Book Publishers, 2013. ISBN: 9781459801097 Seventeen-year-old Lauren doesn't want to be Jewish anymore. She is tired of Holocaust memoirs and Jewish summer camps. She believes Judaism is all about sadness, persecution, and loss. But when her friends start playing Nazi War games, Lauren realizes that her heritage is more important than she realized. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

2013

Borden, Louise. *His Name Was Raoul Wallenberg*. New York: Houghton Mifflin Books for Children, 2012. ISBN: 9780618507559 Borden's biography of the Swedish hero of Hungarian Jewry during World War II has all the hallmarks of excellent non-fiction: extensive research, lists of sources, and prose and visual materials that make a complicated chapter of history easily accessible. (Nonfiction, Award Winner for Older Readers)

Rappaport, Doreen. *Beyond Courage: The Untold Story of Jewish Resistance During the Holocaust*. Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2012. ISBN: 9780763629762 The authors presents "a sampling of actions, efforts, and heroism with the hope that [she] can play a role in helping to correct the damaging and persistent belief that Jews 'went like sheep to the slaughter.'" Five years of research results in an important informational book, with back matter that includes a pronunciation guide, chronology, source notes, detailed bibliography, and an index. (Nonfiction, Honor Book for Teen Readers)

Gleitzman, Morris. *Now*. New York: Henry Holt and Company, 2012. ISBN: 9780805093780 Felix is now a retired doctor and grandfather in the final book of this award-winning trilogy (*Once* and *Then*, Honor Books in 2011 and 2012, respectively). It is narrated by his granddaughter, Zelda, who deals with the absence of working parents, bullying, and raging fires in Australia. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

2012

Sharenow, Robert. *The Berlin Boxing Club*. New York: Harper Teen, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers, 2011. ISBN: 9780061579684 Karl Stern, an assimilated fourteen-year-old Jew living in 1930s Berlin, becomes the unlikely student of boxing champion and source of German pride, Max Schmeling. A coming of age novel that entwines Karl's personal struggles with the historical ones of the period including "degenerate" art and the Nazi menace, well-developed characters and a tense plot propel this page turner. (Fiction, Award Winner for Teen Readers)

Robbins, Trina. *Lily Renee, Escape Artist: from Holocaust Survivor to Comic Book Pioneer*. Illustrations by Anne Timmons and Mo Oh. Minneapolis: Graphic Universe, an imprint of Lerner Publishing Group, Inc., 2011. ISBN: 9780761381143 Not only did Lily Wilhelm survive, she triumphed over circumstances that forced her from a loving home in pre-war Vienna, on a Kindertransport to England, to the United States and through a variety of jobs and situations to become a comic book illustrator. Timmons and Oh's vibrant graphic format, and the back matter with photographs, a glossary and historical descriptions, make for an exciting and educational biography. (Nonfiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Vaughan, Marcia. *Irena's Jars of Secrets*. Illustrated by Ron Mazellan. New York: Lee & Low Books, 2011. ISBN: 9781600604393 Polish social worker (and Righteous Gentile) Irena Sender rescued over 2,500 children from the Warsaw Ghetto. The story of her bravery and quiet heroism is complemented by Mazellan's somber-toned, expressive illustrations. (Nonfiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Gleitzman, Morris. *Then*. New York: Henry Holt and Company, 2011. ISBN: 9780805090277 Continuing where 2011 Honor Book *Once* left off, Felix tells how he and Zelda find refuge in a Polish farm village but must still use quick thinking and imagination to survive the degradations of the Holocaust. (Fiction, Honor Book for Teen Readers)

Russo, Marisabina. *I Will Come Back to You: A Family in Hiding during World War II*. New York: Schwartz & Wade Books/Random House, 2011. ISBN: 9780375966958 A grandmother's (Nonna) charm bracelet tells the story of life in Italy before World War II and subsequent events that led to Nonna's immigration to America. A donkey, a piano, a bicycle, and piglets all play a part. Gouache-painted illustrations and vintage photographs on the endpapers add visual context. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Younger Readers)

Rubin, Susan Goldman. *Irena Sendler and the Children of the Warsaw Ghetto*. Illustrated by Bill Farnsworth. New York: Holiday House, 2011. ISBN: 9780823422517 The story of the Polish woman who defied the Nazis and risked her life to save Jewish children is brought to life with detailed narrative and expressive, colorful paintings. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Thomson, Ruth. *Terezin: Voices from the Holocaust*. Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2011. ISBN: 9780763649630 Using present-day and archival photographs, pictures of daily life created by internees, and artifacts, a chronological history of the infamous concentration camp captures both the eye and the reader's interest. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Janeczko, Paul B. *Requiem: Poems of the Terezin Ghetto*. Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2011. ISBN: 9780763647378 "Solemn songs to the memory of the people who died within the walls of Theresienstadt" is how the author describes his works of sparse, yet powerful poetry. The book includes art created in the concentration camp, as well as historical notes and related resources. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

2011

Jablonski, Carla. *Resistance*. Illustrations by Leland Purvis. New York: First Second, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group, 2010. ISBN: 9781596432918 Paul must help his family run their hotel while his father is being held by the Nazi authorities. But when his best friend Henri, who is Jewish, escapes a roundup and is left behind, Paul and his sister decide to hide him and help him escape with the French Resistance. A graphic novel that provides a cinematic story of prejudice, fear, courage, and bold ingenuity. (Fiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Meyer, Susan Lynn. *Black Radishes*. New York: Delacorte Press, an imprint of Random House Children's Books, 2010. ISBN: 9780385738811 Shortly before France is invaded, Gustave and his parents flee Paris for the countryside. Lonely for the friends he left behind, Gustave also faces anti-Semitism at school and an uncertain future while the family waits for visas to immigrate to America. Action, tension, and well-developed characters coupled with compelling details and beautifully crafted prose create a detailed picture of life for Jewish families in France during World War II. (Fiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Gleitzman, Morris. *Once*. New York: Henry Holt and Company, 2010. ISBN: 9780805090260 The brutality and devastation of the Holocaust is shown through a Polish orphan named Felix and his experiences after he runs away from the orphanage where he lived for almost four years. Believing that his parents might still be alive, he tries to find them at their family-owned bookstore only to discover that his town no longer has any Jews still living in it and all the books in his family shop are gone. (Fiction, Honor Book for Teen Readers)

Chapman, Fern Schumer. *Is It Night or Day?* New York: Farrar Straus Giroux/Macmillan, 2010. ISBN: 9780374177447 Based on the author's mother's experiences, this is an honest and moving account of a twelve-year-old girl who leaves her parents behind to travel to America with the assistance of the One Thousand Children Project, a group whose goal was to rescue German children during the Holocaust. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Levy, Debbie. *The Year of Goodbyes*. New York: Hyperion Books/Disney, 2010. ISBN: 9781423129011 Jutta Salzberg is a typical German teen who shares her thoughts and feelings with her friends in their special albums, called

poesiealbums. Through real entries, drawings and personal messages, coupled with emotive verse, readers see the events of Hitler's reign and the impact it had on families and communities. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Dogar, Sharon. *Annexed*. New York: Houghton Mifflin Books for Children, 2010. ISBN: 9780547501956 While Anne Frank's story is well known, what about Peter Van Pels, the teenage boy who hid with her? This fictionalized account begins in the Mauthausen concentration camp as Peter reflects back on his life in the Annex and his romantic relationship with the iconic diarist. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

Jacobson, Sid and Ernie Colon. *Anne Frank: The Anne Frank House Authorized Graphic Biography*. New York: Hill and Wang, 2010. ISBN: 9780809026852 This graphic novel offers a new perspective on Anne Frank's life and legacy beginning with her parents' childhoods and marriage and concluding with the publication of her diary and the effects it has had on the world. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

Molnar, Haya Leah. *Under a Red Sky: Memoir of a Childhood in Communist Romania*. New York: Farrar Straus Giroux/Macmillan, 2010. ISBN: 9780374318406 A child's perspective of growing up in post-World War II Romania is lovingly shared in this memoir. Each chapter is a beautiful vignette about Eva, a young girl, discovering her Jewish identity, her family's experiences during the war, and their dramatic journey to Israel. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

2010

Engle, Margarita. *Tropical Secrets: Holocaust Refugees in Cuba*. New York: Henry Holt Books for Young Readers/Macmillan Children's Publishing Group, 2009. ISBN: 9780805089363 Newbery Honor Winner Engle continues to illuminate the lesser known history of Cuba --the challenge of German refugees seeking a new home after Kristallnacht. Free verse in the voices of a German boy, a Cuban girl, and a Russian immigrant paint different perspectives of a complicated political and historical era. (Fiction, Award Winner for Teen Readers)

Metselaar, Menno and Ruud van der Rol. *Anne Frank: Her Life in Words and Pictures from the Archives of the Anne Frank House*. Translated by Arnold J. Pomerans. New York: Roaring Brook Press/Flash Point/Macmillan Children's Publishing Group, 2009. ISBN: 9781596435469 Archival photographs of Anne and her family, her actual writing and diary, and the annex are powerful and instrumental in bringing her life into context. The text details world events as well as Anne's life. (Nonfiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Thor, Annika. *A Faraway Island*. Translated by Linda Schenck. New York: Delacorte Books for Young Readers/Random House Children's Books, 2009. ISBN: 9780385736176 Stephanie and Ellie Steiner are sent from Vienna to Sweden to escape the Nazi threat, and must adjust to life on a small island off the mainland. Stephanie comes of age as she meets the challenge of a new culture, a strict foster mother, and the worries about family in Austria. (Fiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Bogacki, Tomek. *The Champion of Children: The Story of Janusz Korczak*. New York: Farrar Straus Giroux Books for Younger Readers/Frances Foster Books/ Macmillan, 2009. ISBN: 9780374341367 A warm, moral, true story, with beautiful illustrations, about a Holocaust hero --Dr. Janusz Korczak --who loved children and cared for Jewish orphans until they and he perished in the gas chambers. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Clark, Kathy. *Guardian Angel House (A Holocaust Remembrance Book for Young Readers)*. Toronto: Second Story Press, 2009. ISBN: 9781897187586 Based on the experiences of the author's mother and aunt, this fictionalized story of more than 100 girls hidden in a Budapest convent from 1944 until the liberation of Hungary emphasizes the relationships between the nuns and the Jewish children they sheltered. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Heuvel, Eric. *A Family Secret/The Search*. New York: Farrar Straus Giroux Books for Younger Readers/Macmillan, 2009. ISBN: 978037432271/ 9780374365172 The situation in the Netherlands during World War II is explored in these graphic novels. In *A Family Secret*, Helena tells her grandson Jeroen about her experiences during the German occupation and how she lost both her father and her best friend Esther at the hands of the Nazis. In *The Search*, Esther remembers her own experience during the Holocaust as a Jewish girl living in Amsterdam, and recounts to her grandson Daniel and his friend Jeroen how she survived by going into hiding in the countryside. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

Whitney, Kim Ablon. *The Other Half of Life*. New York: Alfred A. Knopf/Random House, 2009. ISBN: 9780375852190 Thomas, a fifteen-year-old boy forced to leave his parents in Nazi Germany, experiences many emotions aboard a ship destined for Cuba. This historical fiction is based on the story of the MS St. Louis. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

2009

Bartoletti, Susan Campbell. *The Boy Who Dared: A Novel Based on the True Story of a Hitler Youth*. New York: Scholastic Press, 2008. ISBN: 9780439680134 A powerful work of historical fiction portraying key moments in the life of a real German teenager during World War II. As he waits in prison, Helmuth Hubener reflects on events that led to the day of his execution for the crimes of listening to foreign newscasts, creating and distributing pamphlets, and for his resistance to the Nazi Party. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Fitzgerald, Stephanie. *Kristallnacht, the Night of Broken Glass: Igniting the Nazi War Against Jews*. Minneapolis: Compass Point Books, 2008. ISBN: 9780756534899 Created for school research, this well-designed book includes clear, accurate information, historic photographs with informative captions, a glossary, bibliography, source notes, and timeline. Personal reflections and memories by eyewitnesses add to the impact of the account, which directly confronts Nazi lies about the Jews. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Herman, Charlotte. *My Chocolate Year*. Illustrated by LeUyen Pham. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Younger Readers, 2008. ISBN: 9781416933410 Fifth grader Dorrie Meyers embarks on an exciting school year with a favorite teacher and the Sweet Semester dessert and essay contest. World War II has just ended, and when her cousin Victor, the sole Holocaust survivor of the family come to live with her family, he shares a recipe from his family's bakery to help her with the contest. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Morpurgo, Michael. *The Mozart Question*. Illustrated by Michael Forman. Cambridge, MA: Candlewick Press, 2008. ISBN: 1406306484 Paolo Levi, a fictional Italian violin prodigy, tells the secret tale of his parents' experience as musicians in a concentration camp orchestra. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Stuchner, Joan Betty. *Honey Cake*. Illustrated by Cynthia Nugent. New York: Stepping Stone/House, 2008. ISBN: 9780675851896 This easy chapter book gently introduces readers to World War II and the Danish resistance through the story of ten-year-old David, who lives in Copenhagen during the German occupation. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Laskier, Rutka. *Rutka's Notebook: A Voice from the Holocaust*. New York: Time, Inc. Home Entertainment, 2008. ISBN: 9781603200196 A Jewish girl's diary, describing her life in the days before her family was sent to Auschwitz, was hidden under Polish floorboards in 1943, retrieved in 1945, and miraculously rediscovered in 2006, allowing Zahava Laskier Scherz to explore the brief life of the half-sister she never knew. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

2008

Fleischman, Sid. *The Entertainer and the Dybbuk*. New York: HarperCollins Children's Books, 2007. ISBN: 0061344451 When the spirit of a 12-year old Jewish boy, murdered by the Nazis, possesses the body of an American GI traveling through Europe as a second-rate ventriloquist, the pair is able to unmask the Nazi responsible. (Fiction, Award Winner for Older Readers)

Wood, Angela Gluck and Dan Stone. *Holocaust: The Events and Their Impact on Real People*. New York: DK Publishing, 2007. ISBN: 0756625351 This comprehensive, readable, impressively visual history of the Holocaust ranges across the years from the origins of Jews, life in Europe, and the history of anti-Semitism to the post-war period, including the survivors, Nazi trials, stolen property, and concentration camps and present-day memorials. The book is supplemented by a DVD of personal testimonies from the archive of the USC Shoah Foundation Institute for Visual History and Education. (Nonfiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Taylor, Peter Lane and Christos Nicola. *The Secret of Priest's Grotto: A Holocaust Survival Story*. Minneapolis: Kar-Ben, 2007. ISBN: 1580132618 The amazing story of how a group of thirty-eight Jews managed to survive during World War II for nearly a year in the underground caves of the Western Ukraine is told with captivating narratives and descriptions, sharp full-color photographs, and an attractive lay-out and design. (Nonfiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Pressler, Mirjam. *Let Sleeping Dogs Lie*. Translated by Erik J. Macki. Honesdale, PA: Front Street, 2007. ISBN: 1932425845 Seventeen-year-old Johanna Riemenschneider's idyllic, privileged childhood comes to an abrupt end when she travels to Israel with her German classmates to meet Jewish alumni of their high school who fled the town during World War II. (Fiction, Honor Book for Teen Readers)

Kramer, Ann. *Anne Frank: The Young Writer Who Told the World Her Story (World History Biographies)*. Washington, DC: National Geographic, 2007. ISBN: 9781426300042 Presented in simple language and enhanced by a wealth of photos, maps, timelines, and information boxes, this well-designed book nicely combines the Frank family's experiences with events in Europe before and during World War II. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Matas, Carol. *Whirlwind*. Victoria, Canada: Orca Book Publishers, 2007. ISBN: 9781551437033 Fifteen-year-old Ben emigrates to Seattle in 1942 with his family. He quickly befriends John, a Japanese-American classmate, as both boys endure taunting from their peers because of their origins. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

DeSaix, Deborah Durlan and Karen Gray Ruelle. *Hidden on the Mountain: Stories of Children Sheltered from the Nazis in Le Chambon*. New York: Holiday House, 2007. ISBN: 9780823419289 A small, Protestant town in the plateau region of South Central France became an example of faith and courage during World War II when the citizens sheltered thousands of refugees, most of them Jewish, and protected them from the Nazis. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

2007

Zusak, Markus. *The Book Thief*. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2006. ISBN: 0375831002 Death narrates the story of Leisl Meminger, a Lutheran girl in Nazi Germany who sustains herself and those close to her with her love of books and reading. An engaging story that resonates with the full spectrum of human emotions and experiences. (Fiction, Award Winner for Teen Readers)

Codell, Esme Raji. *Vive La Paris*. New York: Hyperion Books for Children, 2006. ISBN: 0786851244 Fifth-grader Paris McCray reveals what she has discovered about life in the process of taking piano lessons from Mrs. Rosen, a Holocaust survivor with a sense of humor. (Fiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Roy, Jennifer. *Yellow Star*. Tarrytown, NY: Marshall Cavendish, 2006. ISBN 076145277X Told in verse, this is the story of Sylvia Perlmutter, one of twelve surviving children, who hid in the Lodz Ghetto with her family. (Fiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Littlesugar, Amy. *Willy & Max: A Holocaust Story*. Illustrated by William Low. New York: Philomel Books, 2006. ISBN: 0399234837 This heartwarming tale of kindness, truth, honesty, and friendship during the Holocaust also introduces readers to the widespread theft and looting by the Nazis of artwork belonging to European Jews. (Fiction, Notable Book for Younger Readers)

Friedman, D. Dina. *Escaping into the Night*. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2006. ISBN: 1416902589 When her mother and others do not come back from work, Halina is forced to deal with her absence and escape from the ghetto to save her own life. She joins the partisans in the woods, and survives World War II by using her wits and inner strength. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Glatshetyn, Yankev. *Emil and Karl*. Translated by Jeffrey Shandler. Brookfield, CT: Roaring Brook Press, 2006. ISBN: 1696431199 This story of two boys left alone in Vienna after their parents have been arrested by the Nazis is particularly significant because it was the first book written for children about the Holocaust. It was published in the United States in Yiddish in 1940 before the full horrors of World War II had unfolded. Shandler's seamless translation now makes the story accessible to contemporary readers. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Kacer, Kathy. *Hiding Edith: A True Story. (Holocaust Remembrance Series)* Toronto: Second Story Press, 2006. ISBN: 1897187068 Through the story of Edith Schwalb Gelbard, who survived the Holocaust by continually moving and hiding, the reader can relate to the situation in Europe before World War II, the plight of the Jews, the virtue of righteous gentiles who helped them, and the courage and strength it took to survive. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Rubin, Susan Goldman with Ela Weissberger. *The Cat with the Yellow Star: Coming of Age in Terezin*. New York: Holiday House, 2006. ISBN: 0823418316 This impressively researched photographic memoir tells of a young girl from Czechoslovakia who studied with Friedl Dicker-Brandeis and participated in the children's opera Brundibarat the Terezin concentration camp during World War II. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

2006

Borden, Louise. *The Journey that Saved Curious George: The True Wartime Escape of Margret and H.A. Rey*. Illustrated by Allan Drummond. Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2005. ISBN: 0618339248 This delightfully written story tells how Margret and H.A. Rey escaped from Nazi-occupied France in 1940, carrying in their bicycle baskets the manuscripts that would become their beloved picture books about Curious George, the little monkey. (Nonfiction, Honor Book for Younger Readers)

Krinitz, Esther Nisenthal and Bernice Steinhardt. *Memories of Survival*. New York: Hyperion Books for Children, 2005. ISBN: 0786851260 Esther Nisenthal Krinitz retells the story of her childhood in a small Polish village through a series of hand-stitched embroidered panels. (Nonfiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Bartoletti, Susan Campbell. *Hitler Youth: Growing Up in Hitler's Shadow*. New York: Scholastic Press, 2005. ISBN: 0439353793 This well-researched, large format book describes the rise of Hitler and the Nazi Party, and World War II and its aftermath, through the eyes of twelve ordinary young people in Germany including those who participated in the Hitler Youth movement and those who resisted. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Millman, Isaac. *Hidden Child*. New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2005. ISBN: 0374330719 This unique, large format personal narrative beautifully tells the story of the author's experience as a hidden child in Nazi-occupied France

during World War II. Well-captioned black and white photographs along with double-spread full-color composite paintings accompany the first-person narration. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Poole, Josephine. *Anne Frank*. Illustrated by Angela Barrett. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2005. ISBN: 0375832424 Depicts the life of Anne Frank as a young girl in Frankfurt, Germany and in Amsterdam, her experiences in school, her friends, and her life in hiding. The illustrations are beautiful and haunting --with intricate detail they show how Anne changes, grows and matures into a young woman. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Rappaport, Doreen. *The Secret Seder*. Illustrated by Emily Arnold McCully. New York: Hyperion Books for Children, 2005. ISBN: 0786807776 Jacques, a young French boy whose family lives as Catholics during World War II, attends a secret Seder with his father in a secluded cabin, where despite the danger and meager menu, the participants are inspired and hopeful. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Rubin, Susan Goldman. *The Flag with Fifty-Six Stars*. Illustrated by Bill Farnsworth. New York: Holiday House, 2005. ISBN: 0823416534 Through extensive research, eyewitness accounts and personal interviews, Goldman tells the inspiring, moving, and hopeful story of a group of prisoners in the Mauthausen concentration camp who secretly created an American flag to present to the liberating forces. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Russo, Marisabina. *Always Remember Me: How One Family Survived World War II*. New York: Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2005. ISBN: 0689869207 Russo relates the experiences of her own family, and how love helped them survive the Holocaust. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Sachs, Marilyn. *Lost in America*. Brookfield, CT: Roaring Brook Press, 2005. ISBN: 1596430400 Thirty-two years after the publication of *A Pocket Full of Seeds* (1973), Marilyn Sachs continues the story of Nicole Nieman focusing on the end of World War II and Nicole's experiences as a new immigrant in America. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

2004

Chotjewitz, David. *Daniel, Half-Human*. Translated by Doris Orgel. New York: Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2004. ISBN: 0689857470 In 1933, best friends Daniel and Armin admire Hitler, but as anti-Semitism buoys Hitler to power, Daniel learns he is half Jewish, threatening the friendship even as life in their beloved Hamburg, Germany, is becoming nightmarish. (Fiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Hesse, Karen. *The Cats in Krasinski Square*. Illustrated by Wendy Watson. New York: Scholastic Press, 2004. ISBN: 0439435404 Two Jewish sisters, escapees of the infamous Warsaw ghetto, devise a plan to thwart an attempt by the Gestapo to intercept food bound for starving people behind the dark Wall. (Fiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Johnston, Tony. *The Harmonica*. Illustrated by Ron Mazellan. Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2004. ISBN: 1570915474 A young boy survives in a concentration camp because he can play Shubert on his harmonica, which the commandant asks for every night. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Kacer, Kathy. *The Underground Reporters*. Toronto: Second Story Press, 2004. ISBN: 1896764851 pbk. A group of Jewish children in a small town in Czechoslovakia publish a newspaper called *Klepy* or "gossip" in Czech, during World War II, until they are deported to concentration camps. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Schroeder, Peter W. and Dagmar Schroeder-Hildebrand. *Six Million Paper Clips*. Minneapolis: Kar-Ben/Lerner, 2004. ISBN: 1580131697 One teacher's desire to teach about intolerance led to a three-year project in which the entire community of Whitwell, Tennessee participated, culminating in the building of a Holocaust memorial. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

2003

Patz, Nancy. *Who Was The Woman Who Wore The Hat?* New York: Dutton, 2003. ISBN: 0525469990 Offers a reflection on a woman's hat that was on display in the Jewish Historical Museum in Amsterdam that questions who the woman might have been, what her life may have been like, and how she may have ended up a Holocaust victim. (Fiction, Award Winner for Older Readers)

Kushner, Tony. *Brundibar*. Illustrated by Maurice Sendak. New York: Michael Di CapuaBooks/Hyperion, 2003. ISBN: 0786809043 A sassy narrative style and splendid, multi-meaningful illustrations capture both the fairy tale charm and the underlying menace of a children's opera that was performed by prisoners in the Terezin concentration camp. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Levitin, Sonia. *Room in the Heart*. New York: Dutton, 2003. ISBN: 0525468714 The German occupation of Denmark and its impact on a circle of middle-class families -- Jewish and non-Jewish -- compel them to act on their beliefs. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Spinelli, Jerry. *Milkweed*. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2003. ISBN: 0375813748 The horrors of the Warsaw Ghetto are plumbed in this powerful story about a homeless, orphan boy who survives by stealing food and whose first real experience of love is for a doomed Jewish family. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Tryszynska-Frederick, Luba. *Luba: The Angel of Bergen-Belsen*. As told to Michelle McCann. Illustrated by Ann Marshall. Berkeley, CA: Tricycle Press, 2003. ISBN: 1582460981 Deeply colored, dramatic illustrations enhance this true story of a woman who rescued and risked her life to save a group of abandoned Jewish children in a Nazi concentration camp. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

2002

Levine, Karen. *Hana's Suitcase: A True Story*. Toronto, Ontario, Canada: Second Story Press, 2002. ISBN: 189676455X, Morton Grove, IL: Albert Whitman & Company, 2003. ISBN: 0807531480 A biography of a Czech girl who died in the Holocaust, told in alternating chapters with an account of how the curator of a Japanese Holocaust center learned about her life after Hana's suitcase was sent to her. (Nonfiction, Award Winner for Older Readers)

Bunting, Eve. *One Candle*. Illustrated by K. Wendy Popp. New York: Joanna Cotler Books/HarperCollins, 2002. ISBN: 0060281154 Every year a family celebrates Hanukkah by retelling the story of how Grandma and her sister managed to mark the day while in a German concentration camp. (Fiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Rogasky, Barbara. *Smoke and Ashes: The Story of the Holocaust, Revised and Expanded*. New York: Holiday House, 2002. ISBN: 0823416771 pbk An account of the tragic fate of the six million Jews killed during the Holocaust is set against a chronicle of the roots of Nazi anti-Semitism, Hitler's rise to power, World War II, and the Nazi program of extermination. (Nonfiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Cheng, Andrea. *Marika*. Ashville, NC: Front Street, 2002. ISBN: 1886910782 A fifteen-year-old Hungarian girl, nominally Roman Catholic but with Jewish ancestry, seeks an identity and a way out after the Germans march into Budapest. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Giblin, James C. *The Life and Death of Adolf Hitler*. New York: Clarion/Houghton Mifflin, 2002. ISBN: 0395903718 This outstanding biography of the 20th century's greatest monster includes information about his legacy of hatred, carried on by neo-Nazis and skinheads. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Lawton, Clive A. *Auschwitz: The Story of a Nazi Death Camp*. Cambridge, MA: Candlewick Press, 2002. ISBN: 07636115951 The author traces the history of Auschwitz from construction to liberation and comments on its post-war legacy in this visually powerful presentation. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Lee, Carol Ann. *Anne Frank's Story: Her Life Retold for Children*. Mahwah, NJ: Troll Communications, 2002. ISBN: 0816774277 The important events in Anne Frank's brief life and the essence of her personality are conveyed to readers of this accessible biography. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Watts, Irene N. *Finding Sophie: A Search for Belonging in Postwar Britain*. Toronto: Tundra Books, 2002. ISBN: 0887766137 Following *Good-bye Marianne* (1999) and *Remember Me* (2000), this riveting novel, set in London, completes the author's "Kindertransport Trilogy." (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

2001

Attema, Martha. *Daughter of Light*. Custer, WA: Orca Book Publishers, 2001. ISBN: 1551431793 During the harsh winter of 1944, when food is scarce and electricity has been turned off, a nine-year-old Dutch girl whose mother is pregnant confronts the town's Nazi-collaborationist mayor to try to convince him to restore the electricity before the baby is born. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Axelrod, Toby. *Hans and Sophie Scholl: German Resisters of the White Rose*. (Holocaust Biography Series) New York: Rosen Publishing, 2001. ISBN: 0825933164 A factual account of a small group of courageous German students who resisted Hitler. Photographs, documents, a glossary, bibliography and index increase the book's value for research and reports. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Kacer, Kathy. *Clara's War*. Toronto: Second Story Press, 2001. ISBN: 1896764428 pbk Thirteen-year-old Clara and her family are deported from Prague to the concentration camp of Terezin. Through their experiences, the grimness and terror of the camp are shown in contrast to its rich cultural life. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Steiner, Connie. *Shoes for Amelie*. Illustrated by Denis Rodier. Montreal: Lobster Press, 2001. ISBN: 1894222377 The heroism of the people of the town of Le Chambon-sur-Lignon, France is portrayed through a story about one courageous and "ordinary" family who sheltered a Jewish child during the Holocaust. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Warren, Andrea. *Surviving Hitler: A Boy in the Nazi Death Camps*. New York: HarperCollins, 2001. ISBN: 0688174973 An inspiring account of the Holocaust experiences of Jack Mandelbaum, who survived three years as a teen in several camps. His zest for life and ability to form friendships enabled him to begin a new life in the United States. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Greenfield, Howard. *After the Holocaust*. New York: Greenwillow Books, 2001. ISBN: 0688177552 Focusing on eight Holocaust survivors now living in the United States, this powerful book shows the hardships faced by young survivors, many of whom were without homes, families, identities or hope. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

Schmidt, Gary. *Mara's Stories: Glimmers in the Dark*. New York: Henry Holt, 2001. ISBN: 0805067949 In the night and fog of a concentration camp, women and children gather at night to listen to stories told by a prisoner named Mara, the daughter of a rabbi. The stories are adapted from Jewish lore; the listening is an act of resistance. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

2000

Vos, Ida. *The Key is Lost*. Translated from Dutch by Terese Edelstein. New York: Morrow/HarperCollins, 2000. ISBN: 0688162835 Based on a true story, this historical fiction tells of two young sisters who get separated from their parents and are forced to live hidden away in the attics of Holland in order to escape from being caught by the Nazis. (Fiction, Award Winner for Older Readers)

Hest, Amy. *Love You, Soldier*. Illustrated by Sonja Lamut. Cambridge, MA: Candlewick Press, 2000. ISBN: 0763609439 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. (Fiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Rubin, Susan Goldman. *Fireflies in the Dark: The Story of Friedl Dicker-Brandeis and the Children of Terezin*. New York: Holiday House, 2000. ISBN: 082341681X pbk Recounts how Friedl Dicker, a Jewish woman from Czechoslovakia, taught art to children at the Terezin Concentration Camp. (Nonfiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Deedy, Carmen Agra. *The Yellow Star: The Legend of King Christian X of Denmark*. Illustrated by Henry Sorensen. Atlanta: Peachtree Publishers, 2000. ISBN: 1561452084 A beautifully illustrated tribute to the tolerance of the Danish People and their king, who took many risks on behalf of the Jewish population during the German occupation of World War II. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Isaacs, Ann. *Torn Thread*. New York: Scholastic Press, 2000. ISBN: 0590603639 Based on the experiences of a Holocaust survivor, this is the story of two teenaged sisters who survive a Nazi slave labor camp where they were imprisoned for several years. Through a large cast of characters, the author touches on some central Holocaust issues. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Levine, Ellen. *Darkness over Denmark: The Danish Resistance and the Rescue of the Jews*. New York: Holiday House, 2000. ISBN: 0823414477 Interviews with individuals involved in the Danish resistance, documentary photographs, and a lucid text combine to tell an inspiring true story. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Polacco, Patricia. *The Butterfly*. New York: Philomel Books, 2000. ISBN: 0399231706 During the Nazi occupation of France, a child discovers that her mother is hiding Jews. The "little ghost" who appears in her bedroom at night is one of them. Monique and Sevrine become friends, sharing hope for a brighter future symbolized by the butterfly. A poignant story whose illustrations (by the author) express its mood. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Smith, Frank Dabba. *My Secret Camera: Life in the Lodz Ghetto*. Photographs by Mendel Grossman. San Diego: Gulliver/Harcourt, 2000. ISBN: 0152023062 Mendel Grossman did not survive the Holocaust, but his photographs did. They are heartbreaking reminders of everyday life in a community destined for destruction. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Taylor, Marilyn. *Faraway Home*. Dublin, Ireland: O'Brien Press, 1999. ISBN: 0531145247 An Austrian brother and sister are sent on the Kindertransport to Northern Ireland, where a farm for Jewish refugees from Hitler was established near Belfast. Actual events are integrated with sympathetic characters, believable relationships, well-paced action, and a portrayal of lives forever changed by war. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Watts, Irene. *Remember Me: A Search for Refuge in Wartime Britain*. Plattsburgh, NY: Tundra Books, 2000. ISBN: 088776519X Twelve-year-old Marianne, who was introduced in *Goodbye, Marianne* (Tunda, 1998), is sent on the Kindertransport to England. Missing her parents and yearning for the familiarity of Jewish family life, she struggles in a series of foster homes. A fascinating picture is painted of war-time England, of courage and narrow social attitudes. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Propp, Vera. *When the Soldiers Were Gone*. New York: G.P. Putnam's Sons, 1999. ISBN: 0698118812 pbk After the German occupation of the Netherlands, Benjamin leaves the Christian family with whom he had been living and is reunited with his real Jewish parents who returned from hiding and whom Benjamin doesn't remember. (Fiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Bat Ami, Miriam. *Two Suns in the Sky*. Chicago: Front Street/Cricket Books, 1999. ISBN: 081269000 In 1944, in wartime Oswego, New York, two teens, a Yugoslavian Jewish refugee boy and an American Roman Catholic girl from a strict family reach out to one another. Their relationship results in sorrow and growth. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Bitton-Jackson, Livia. *My Bridges of Hope: Searching for Life and Love after Auschwitz*. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 1999. ISBN: 0689820267 This sequel to *I Have Lived a Thousand Years* (1997) takes Elli Friedman from liberation to her arrival in the United States six years later. As a survivor and displaced person, the heroine attempts to form relationships and continue her education, yet feels guilty for wanting a normal life. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Giddens, Sandra. *Escape: Teens Who Escaped the Holocaust to Freedom. (Teen Witnesses to the Holocaust Series)* New York: Rosen Publishing Group, 1999. ISBN: 0823928438 A well-written account of four teens who survived due to courage, luck, and the assistance of others. All went on to lead productive lives and build new families. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Maguire, Gregory. *The Good Liar*. New York: Clarion Books, 1999. ISBN: 0395906970 To the dismay of their devout and gentle mother, three French brothers delight in telling outrageous lies. When Jews are hidden in their village after the fall of Paris, lying is no longer a game. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Matas, Carol. *In My Enemy's House*. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 1999. ISBN: 0689813546 Marissa, a fifteen-year-old Jewish girl, poses as a Roman Catholic worker in wartime Germany. She makes her way in a world of random cruelty, a world that imposes terrible choices. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Metzger, Lois. *Missing Girls*. New York: Viking, 1999. ISBN: 0670877778 After her mother's death, Carrie's father sends her to live with her Holocaust survivor grandmother. Slowly, the teenager begins to recapture her engagement with life and other people. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

1998

Stillerman, Marci. *Nine Spoons*. Illustrated by Pesach Gerber. New York: HaChai Publishers, 1998. ISBN: 0922613842 A few brave souls in a Nazi camp are determined to gather nine spoons to make a menorah for Chanukah. (Fiction, Award Winner for Younger Readers)

Lobel, Anita. *No Pretty Pictures: A Child of War*. New York: Greenwillow Books, 1998. ISBN: 0380732858 pbk The author describes her experiences as a Polish Jew during World War II and for years in Sweden afterwards. (Nonfiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Kaplan, William, with Shelley Tanaka. *One More Border*. Illustrated by Stephen Taylor. Toronto: Douglas & McIntyre, 1998. ISBN: 0888993323 Fans of fiction and non-fiction will both enjoy this suspenseful memoir of a family's escape from war-ravaged Europe during World War II. (Nonfiction, Book for Younger Readers)

Matas, Carol. *Greater Than Angels*. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 1998. ISBN: 0689813538 A courageous teenage heroine joins the righteous gentiles of Le Chambon sur Lignon, France in resisting the Nazis and smuggling her fellow Jews over the border to Switzerland. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Baer, Edith. *Walk the Dark Streets*. New York: Farrar Straus & Giroux, 1998. ISBN: 0374382298 A moving fictionalized chronicle of the deterioration of life for German Jews in the 1930s. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

Rabinovici, Schoschana. *Thanks to My Mother*. Translated from German by James Skofield. New York: Dial Books, 1998. ISBN: 0803722354 From the Vilna ghetto to the camps and a death march, young Susie's survival depended on her indomitable mother. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

Winter, Kathryn. *Katarina*. New York: Farrar Straus & Giroux, 1998. ISBN: 0374339848 Outcast and struggling, virtually alone, to survive in Slovakia during the Holocaust, Katarina is sustained by a child's blend of imagination, hope, and faith in Catholic saints. A remarkable story about identity and difference. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

1997

Napoli, Donna Jo. *Stones in Water*. New York: Dutton Books, 1997. ISBN: 0141306009 pbk After being taken by German soldiers from a local movie theater along with other Italian boys including his Jewish friend, Roberto is forced to work in Germany, escapes into the Ukrainian winter, before desperately trying to make his way back home to Venice. (Fiction, Award Winner for Older Readers)

Bitton-Jackson, Livia. *I Have Lived a Thousand Years: Growing Up in the Holocaust*. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 1997. ISBN: 0689823959 pbk The author describes her experiences during World War II when she and her family were sent to the Nazi death camp at Auschwitz. (Nonfiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Nivola, Claire. *Elisabeth*. New York: Farrar Straus & Giroux, 1997. ISBN: 0374320853 Years after fleeing from the Nazis, a young woman is reunited with the beloved doll she left behind in Germany. The writing style and illustrations are elegant, restrained, and moving. (Fiction, Notable Book for Younger Readers)

Oberman, Sheldon. *By the Hanukkah Light*. Illustrated by Neil Waldman. Honesdale, PA: Boyds Mills Press, 1997. ISBN: 1563976587 Parallels between ancient and modern Jewish history are shown in a story celebrating religious freedom through the primary symbol of a family menorah that survived the Holocaust. A warm tone suffuses hope into cold history. (Fiction, Notable Book for Younger Readers)

Sim, Dorrieth M. *In My Pocket*. Illustrated by Gerald Fitzgerald. San Diego: Harcourt Brace, 1997. ISBN: 0152013571 On a morning in July 1939, a young Jewish child sails from Holland to the safety of a new life in Scotland. A simply told, strikingly illustrated story of the Kindertransport. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Younger Readers)

Douglas, Kirk. *The Broken Mirror: A Novella*. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 1997. ISBN: 0689814933 This short, absorbing novel deals with the loss of faith and its recovery in the aftermath of the Holocaust. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Gold, Alison Leslie. *Memories of Anne Frank: Reflections of a Childhood Friend*. New York: Scholastic Books, 1997. ISBN: 0590907220 The clipped style of this double Holocaust memoir, that of the famous Anne and her unknown friend, Hannah, will keep readers absorbed and eager to see what happens to Hannah as well as to learn more about Anne. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Mochizuki, Ken. *Passage to Freedom: The Sugihara Story*. Illustrated by Dom Lee. New York: Lee and Low, 1997. ISBN: 1880000490 Illustrated in sepia tones to resemble old photographs, this recalls a Japanese righteous person through the eyes and voice of a five-year-old boy who witnessed his diplomat father defy official orders and follow his own conscience. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Schur, Maxine Rose. *Sacred Shadows*. New York: Dials Books, 1997. ISBN: 0803722958 The teen-aged heroine struggles with family duty, her own interests, and a foreboding sense that Jews have no place in a Europe succumbing to anti-Semitism and Nazi barbarism. Polished prose and a serious subject. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

Silton, Faye. *Of Heroes, Hooks, and Heirlooms*. Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society, 1997. ISBN: 082760582X Told in the first person by a preteen whose parents are Holocaust survivors, this sincere and deeply touching novel about a school project, peer relationships, and family memories will engross adolescent readers. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

1996

Ippisch, Hanneke. *Sky*. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 1996. ISBN: 068980508X The memoir is an honest reflection on the author's life, her Holocaust resistance activities in Holland, imprisonment, and the character of her Dutch compatriots. Poetic language describes pre-war innocence and war time fear. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Perl, Lila, and Lazan, Marion Blumenthal. *Four Perfect Pebbles: A True Story of the Holocaust*. New York: Greenwillow Books, 1996. ISBN: 068814294X An innocent hopeful memoir plots the fate of German Jews in Dutch concentration camps. Third person narration recalls a young girl's life metamorphosed from refugee to prisoner to DP to immigrant to positive survivor. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Stern, Ellen. *Elie Wiesel: A Voice for Humanity*. Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society, 1996. ISBN: 0827605749 Evocative words and photographs propel a quiet biography of a famous Holocaust survivor. The author absorbs youngsters in a significant Jewish personality with a dangerous, active youth, but a passive, reflective adulthood. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Andrzejewski, Tricia. *The Amazing Life of Moe Berg: Catcher, Scholar, Spy*. Brookfield, CT: Millbrook Press, 1996. ISBN: 1562946102 This well-paced biography presents a genuine eccentric, a famous Jew who was all the subtitle declares. The text, based on letters and clippings, contains many quotes and delivers the brewing World War II as well as the man. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

Grey, Vivian. *Moe Berg: The Spy Behind Home Plate*. Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society, 1996. ISBN: 0827605862 This is a very detailed biography of an observant Jew who becomes a professional athlete and atomic WWII spy. His wild character stands out despite a worshipful tone. His life will attract non-sports fans to the man and world politics. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

Matas, Carol. *After the War*. New York: Simon & Schuster, 1996. ISBN: 0689803508 This likeable historical novel covers the immediate post war period in short chapters at a fast pace. Fictional characters personalize the drama of Polish Holocaust survivors who escape to Palestine and succeed at illegal entry. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

Williams, Laura E. *Behind the Bedroom Wall*. Minneapolis: Milkweed Editions, 1996. ISBN: 157131606X A teenager converts from Bund Deutscher Madel to Jewish protector after stumbling onto her family's secret: Jews her parents hide behind her bedroom wall. The decision to report or support them propels a suspenseful plot from the righteous gentile's point of view. The fiction highlights the pivotal importance of parental attitude in creating tolerance. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

1995

Hoestlandt, Jo. *Star of Fear, Star of Hope*. Illustrated by Johanna Kang. Translated from French by Mark Polizzotti. New York: Walker and Company, 1995. ISBN: 0802775888 pbk Nine-year-old Helen is confused by the disappearance of her Jewish friend during the German occupation of Paris. (Fiction, Award Winner for Younger Readers)

Vos, Ida. *Dancing on the Bridge of Avignon*. Translated from Dutch by Terese Edelstein and Inez Smidt. Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 1995. ISBN: 0395720397 Relates the experiences of a young Jewish girl and her family during the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands. (Fiction, Award Winner for Older Readers)

Adler, David. *One Yellow Daffodil*. Illustrated by Lloyd Bloom. San Diego: Gulliver Books, 1995. ISBN: 0152005374 Two children help a survivor reconnect to his religious tradition when their family includes him in Hanukkah celebrations. He introduces the youngsters to the Holocaust. The art is dark; the text is polite and moving. (Fiction, Notable Book for Younger Readers)

Schnur, Steven. *The Tie Man's Miracle: A Chanukah Tale*. Illustrated by Stephen Johnson. New York: Morrow Junior Books, 1995. ISBN: 0688134627 A young boy hears about the Holocaust for the first time from a salesman who joins the family for Chanukah. The old man recounts the power of the last night's candles; the boy makes a poignant wish for him. The art is realistic. (Fiction, Notable Book for Younger Readers)

Adler, David. *Child of the Warsaw Ghetto*. Illustrated by Karen Ritz. New York: Holiday House, 1995. ISBN: 0823411605 This slim, grim volume chronologically details the Ghetto's graphic history through a surviving child. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Rochman, Hazel, and McCampbell, Darlene Z, editors. *Bearing Witness: Stories of the Holocaust*. New York: Orchard Books, 1995. ISBN: 053109488X Carefully selected, brilliantly pared and well-arranged literary excerpts from long works create a comprehensive chronological Holocaust history which builds in tension, interest and emotion. Superb for classroom use. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Semel, Nava. *Flying Lessons*. Translated from Hebrew by Hillel Halkin. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 1995. ISBN: 0689801610 A bittersweet story romanticizes the time when Israel was a new state through a humorous teen narrator stuck in a provincial town. A sensitive shoemaker teaches her to balance dreams and reality through his Holocaust experience which is portrayed in original symbols. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Stewart, Gail B. *Life in the Warsaw Ghetto*. San Diego: Lucent Books, 1995. ISBN: 1560060751 All the ugly details of the Warsaw Ghetto and the Jews who suffered there are documented in this emotionally tough book. The photographs are incredible. The lesson is clear: it never should have happened. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Younger Readers)

Almagor, Gila. *Under the Domim Tree*. Translated from Hebrew by Hillel Schenker. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 1995. ISBN: 0671890204 Three teens in an Israeli youth village after the Holocaust deal with tough emotions sharpened by German war reparations in Israel. They search for lost parents and confront survivor guilt in this autobiographical novel. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

Ayer, Elanor, et al. *Parallel Journeys*. New York: Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 1995. ISBN: 0689318308 Holocaust experiences from both sides simultaneously. A Jewish girl and a Nazi boy alternate voice revealing what happened, confessing how it felt, and deducing moral lessons. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

Laird, Christa. *But Can the Phoenix Sing?* New York: Greenwillow Books, 1995. ISBN: 0688136125 An angry teen discovers the incredible details of his stern stepfather's partisan career during World War II in a wide-ranging story that contains heroic information scantily covered in YA fiction. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

Morin, Isobel V. *Days of Judgment: The World War II War Crimes Trials*. Brookfield, CT: Millbrook, 1995. ISBN: 1562944428 This is a clear, concise evaluation of the Nuremberg and Tokyo trials. Photographs and no-frills vocabulary combine to weigh facts, sift results, recall prevailing passions and establish contemporary relevance. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

1994

Schnur, Steven. *The Shadow Children*. Illustrated by Herbert Tauss. New York: Morrow Junior Books, 1994. ISBN: 0688138314 While spending the summer on his grandfather's farm in the French countryside, eleven-year-old Etienne discovers a secret dating back to World War II and encounters the ghosts of Jewish children who suffered a dreadful fate under the Nazis. (Fiction, Award Winner for Older Readers)

Lakin, Patricia. *Don't Forget*. Illustrated by Ted Rand. New York: Tambourine Books, 1994. ISBN: 0688120768 Little Sarah, wanting to bake a surprise birthday cake for her mother, learns that one must remember "bad things" so they won't happen again. The book can be shared with a child who may be too young to ask about the Holocaust. (Fiction, Notable Book for Younger Readers)

Ackerman, Karen. *The Night Crossing*. Illustrated by Elizabeth Sayles. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1994. ISBN: 067983169X Mama's Sabbath candlesticks become the focal point of the suspenseful 1938 escape from Austria. Written for second and third graders, with large print and wonderful black and white pencil drawings, it is an excellent introduction to the events of the Holocaust. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Adler, David A. *Hilde and Eli: Children of the Holocaust*. Illustrated by Karen Ritz. New York: Holiday House, 1994. ISBN: 3823410919 A moving introduction to the Holocaust through an account of the short lives of two young victims. Hilde's life in Frankfurt and Eli's in rural Czechoslovakia under the Nazi onslaught are depicted through straightforward text and subtly toned illustrations. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Bachrach, Susan D. *Tell Them We Remember: The Story of the Holocaust*. Boston: Little Brown and Company, 1994. ISBN: 031669264 A photo and textbook of many individual lives drawn from the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, DC. Collection of artifacts, photos, maps, and histories. The book presents powerfully documented stories of people who did and did not survive. Complete with bibliography, glossary and index. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Boraks-Nemetz, Lillian. *The Old Brown Suitcase*. Port Angeles, WA: Ben Simon Publications, 1994. ISBN: 0914539108 Documentary fiction written by a Polish Holocaust survivor who made it to Canada with her parents in 1947. The story works on the problems of adjustment and resettlement for a teenaged girl who must deal with her trauma of the war years. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Jules, Jacqueline. *Grey Striped Shirt: How Grandma and Grandpa Survived the Holocaust*. Illustrations by Michael Cressy. Los Angeles: Alef Design Group, 1994. ISBN: 1881283062 A large print, comparatively gentle Holocaust story, told for third and fourth graders, brings out the thoughts and feelings of survivors. It underlines the message "we will not forget." (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

1993

Linnea, Sharon. *Raoul Wallenberg: The Man Who Stopped Death*. Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society, 1993. ISBN: 0827604483 pbk Traces the life of the Swedish diplomat who saved Hungarian Jews during World War II and then mysteriously disappeared after the Russians occupied Budapest. (Nonfiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Drucker, Malka, and Halperin, Michael. *Jacob's Rescue*. New York: Doubleday, 1993. ISBN: 05330897605 Based on a real-life situation, this is a story about the Jews and their Polish protectors during the Holocaust. Proper honor is paid to the Righteous Gentiles in this story. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Toll, Nelly S. *Behind the Secret Window*. New York: Dial Books, 1993. ISBN: 0803713622 A personal Holocaust account, told in breathless chronology from 1941 through 1944. The story is enriched by remarkable watercolor art work done behind the secret window. This is a fine companion piece to *The Diary of Anne Frank*. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Van der Rol, Rudd, and Verhoeven, Rian. *Anne Frank: Beyond the Diary*. Translated from Dutch by Tony Langham and Plym Peters. New York: Viking Children's Books, 1993. ISBN: 0670849324 This photo-biography presents Anne's life through the family's photo album, in addition to selections from the famous diary. This book can serve well as supplementary text for a beginning Holocaust study. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Vos, Ida. *Anna is Still Here*. Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 1993. ISBN: 0395653681 Set in northern Holland, this is a deeply disturbing account of a war-traumatized 13-year-old girl. The deep meaning of the Sabbath celebration and Anna's love of books offset the uncomfortable feelings young teens may experience when reading this compelling story. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Zeinert, Karen. *The Warsaw Ghetto Uprising*. Brookfield, CT: Millbrook Press, 1993. ISBN: 1562942824 This is an excellent basic text for the study of Jewish resistance during World War II. Written in simple language, it is so carefully researched that it is suitable for upper high school grades and college level. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

1992

Cormier, Robert. *Tunes for Bears to Dance To*. New York: Delacorte Press, 1992. ISBN: 0440219035 pbk Eleven-year-old Henry escapes his family's problems by watching the woodcarving of Mr. Levine, an elderly Holocaust survivor, but when Henry is manipulated into betraying his friend he comes to know true evil. (Fiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Dillon, Eilis. *Children of Bach*. New York: Macmillan, 1992. ISBN: 0684194406 This is a sensitively written book about the escape of one part of a Hungarian family from the onslaught of the Nazis toward the end of World War II. Cowardice, bravery and all the feelings in between surface as the group of six escapees live in very close quarters. Though this group never totally lost its human dignity, many situations occurred in which they were tested to the extreme. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Rossel, Seymour. *The Holocaust: The World and the Jews, 1933-1945*. West Orange, New Jersey: Behrman House, 1992. ISBN: 0874415292 A very well done text for teaching the Holocaust. The use of photographs, official documents, memoirs, diaries and journals, and the clear arrangement of these materials is superb. Teachers and students alike will benefit greatly from this book. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

1991

Wild, Margaret. *Let the Celebrations Begin!* Illustrated by Julie Vivas. New York: Orchard, 1991. ISBN: 0531059375 This moving book tells the story of making toys for child survivors of the Belsen concentration camp. The illustrations realistically depict the conditions of the inmates while preserving their humanity. The accompanying text allows the book to be enjoyed by an older age group than the picture book format might suggest. (Fiction, Notable Book for Younger Readers)

Marpugo, Michael. *Waiting for Anya*. New York, Viking, 1991. ISBN: 0670837350 This is a realistic World War II novel set in Vichy, France at the time of the German occupation. A teenaged boy, Jo, participates in a courageous plan to save Jewish children despite the obvious danger. The suspense and human drama --a father hopes to find his daughter in each new group of rescued children -- provides exciting and interesting reading. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Orlev, Uri. *The Man from the Other Side*. Translated from the Hebrew by Hillel Halkin. Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 1991. ISBN:0395538084 Another fine work on the Shoah, this book tells of a Polish boy who lived in Warsaw during the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising. The realistic presentation of his experiences will give readers insight into the many underlying facets of life under both normal and trying circumstances. This book won the Mildred L. Batchelder Award for Most Outstanding Children's Book in Translation in 1992. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Vos, Ida. *Hide and Seek*. Translated by Terese Edelstein and Inez Smidt. Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 1991. ISBN: 0395564700 Based on the author's life as a child, this documentary fiction takes place during the German occupation of Holland during World War II. Through a child's eyes we experience the terror of the German invasion of the Netherlands, the sadness of relinquishing a favorite bicycle, and the constant fear of discovery while hiding in the home of Christian friends. The book is the author's tribute to those courageous friends who helped her and other survive. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

1990

Laird, Christa. *Shadow of the Wall*. New York: Greenwillow, 1990. ISBN: 0688152910 pbk Living with his mother and two sisters in the Warsaw Ghetto, Misha is befriended by the director of the orphanage, Dr. Korczak, and finds a purpose to his life when he joins a resistance organization. (Fiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Hest, Amy. *The Ring and the Window Seat*. Illustrated by Deborah Haefele. New York: Scholastic, 1990. ISBN: 0590413503 Although she has been saving for a ring, Stella gives her sock full of nickels to a Jewish carpenter who is trying to rescue his little girl from Nazi-controlled Europe. (Fiction, Notable Book for Younger Readers)

Matas, Carol. *Code Name Kris*. New York: Scribner's, 1990. ISBN: 068419208X After the Nazi occupation of Denmark forces his Jewish friends to flee the country, 17-year-old Jesper continues his work with the underground resistance movement; sequel to *Lisa's War*. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Strom, Yale. *A Tree Stands Still: Jewish Youth in Eastern Europe Today*. New York: Philomel Books, 1990. ISBN: 0399221549 A collection of interviews in which young people from Eastern Europe tell what life is like as a descendant of Holocaust survivors. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Treseder, Terry Walton. *Hear O Israel: A Story of the Warsaw Ghetto*. Illustrated by Lloyd Bloom. New York: Atheneum, 1990. ISBN:0689314566 A boy describes life in the Warsaw Ghetto and his family's ultimate transference to and decimation at Treblinka. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

1989

Lowry, Lois. *Number the Stars*. Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 1989. ISBN: 0440227534 reissue pbk 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. (Fiction, Award Winner for Older Readers)

Levitin, Sonia. *Silver Days*. New York: Atheneum, 1989. ISBN: 0689715706 pbk In this sequel to *Journey to America*, the reunited Platt family works hard at settling in to America, but the spectre of the war in Europe continues to affect their lives. (Fiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Matas, Carol. *Lisa's War*. New York: Scholastic, 1989. ISBN: 0590435175 pbk During the Nazi occupation of Denmark, Lisa and other teenage Jews become involved in an underground resistance movement and eventually must flee for their lives. (Fiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Adler, David A. *We Remember the Holocaust*. New York: Henry Holt, 1989. ISBN: 0805004343 First hand interviews with Holocaust survivors and numerous photographs help history come alive in this powerful account of Hitler's campaign against the Jews. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Bernheim, Mark. *Father of the Orphans: The Story of Janusz Korczak*. New York: Dutton (Lodestar), 1989. ISBN: 0525672656 A moving biography of the assimilated Polish Jewish doctor and promoter of children's rights who chose death in Treblinka with his orphans over the freedom offered him. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

Sevela, Efraim. *We Were Not Like Other People*. New York: Harper & Row, 1989. ISBN: 0060255072 Spanning six years and Russian terrain from Siberia to Germany, this is the story of a 12-year-old Jewish boy, separated from his Red Army parents by World War II, and his survival against all odds. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

1988

Yolen, Jane. *The Devil's Arithmetic*. New York: Viking-Kestrel, 1988. ISBN: 0142401099 reissue pbk Hannah resents the traditions of her Jewish heritage until time travel places her in the middle of a small Jewish village in Nazi-occupied Poland. (Fiction, Award Winner for Older Readers)

Provost, Gary and Gail. *David and Max*. Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society, 1988. ISBN: 0827603924 pbk When twelve-year-old David spends the summer with his grandfather Max, he helps him search for a friend who perished during the Holocaust, and learns about Max's life during World War II. (Fiction, Honor Book for Older Readers)

Meltzer, Milton. *Rescue: The Story of How Gentiles Saved Jews in the Holocaust*. New York: Harper and Row, 1988. ISBN: 0064461173 pbk Detailing an often neglected side of the Holocaust, this study examines the courage and human decency of ordinary people who risked their lives to rescue Jews from Nazi extermination. (Nonfiction, Honor Book for Teen Readers)

Chaikin, Miriam. *Friends Forever*. Illustrated by Richard Egielski. New York: Harper & Row, 1988. ISBN: 0807403504 Set against the background of World War II, this latest in the stories of Molly and her friends, focuses on Molly's school experiences and her struggles to grow up. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Hurwitz, Johanna. *Anne Frank: Life in Hiding*. Illustrated by Vera Rosenberry. Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society, 1988. ISBN: 0827603118 This is a simple, straightforward retelling of the Anne Frank story with a chronology and index. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Rogasky, Barbara. *Smoke and Ashes: The Story of the Holocaust*. New York: Holiday House, 1988. ISBN: 0823406970 This well-organized, methodical and comprehensive study of the Holocaust is enhanced by numerous thoughtfully chosen photographs. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

Roth-Hano, Renee. *Touch Wood: A Girlhood in Occupied France*. New York: Simon & Schuster (Four Winds), 1988. ISBN: 002777340X This autobiographical novel tells the story of how a family of Jewish girls survives the war in Occupied France by being sheltered in a Catholic women's residence. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

1987

Adler, David. *The Number on My Grandfather's Arm*. Photographs by Rose Eichenbaum. New York: UAHC (now URJ Press), 1987. ISBN: 0807403288 A little girl questions a number printed on her grandfather's arm and he explains how he received it in a Nazi concentration camp during World War II. (Nonfiction, Award Winner for Younger Readers)

1986

Schnur, Maxine. *Hannah Szenes: A Song of Light*. Illustrated by Donna Ruff. Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society, 1986. ISBN: 0827602510 A biography of the Jewish heroine whose mission to help rescue European Jews in World War II cost her her life. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Neimark, Anne E. *One Man's Valor: Leo Baeck and the Holocaust*. New York: Dutton (Lodestar Books), 1986. ISBN: 0525671757 Includes the outline of Leo Baeck's life, actions, and philosophy with the focus on his heroic role in saving Jews during the Holocaust. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

1985

Finkelstein, Norman. *Remember Not to Forget*. Illustrated by Lois and Lars Hokanson. London: Franklin Watts, 1985. ISBN: 0531048926 The book presents the origins and history of anti-Semitism, beginning with the year 70 A.D., when the Jews were forced out of Jerusalem, to the founding of the State of Israel in 1948. Finkelstein uses specific incidents from history to illustrate how anti-Semitism stripped Jews of their rights and dignity. Dramatic woodcuts accompany Finkelstein's text. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Herman, Erwin & Agnes. *The Yanov Torah*. Illustrated by Katherine Kahn. Rockville, MD: Kar-Ben Copies, 1985. ISBN: 0930494458 Story of the smuggling of a Torah into the Yanov Nazi Labor Camp, its rescue after liberation, and its journey to America in the care of a Soviet émigré. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Innocenti, Roberto. *Rose Blanche*. Mankato, MN: Creative Education, 1985. ISBN: 1568461895 Magnificently illustrated story of a young German girl who experiences the Holocaust without understanding it. (Fiction, Notable Book for Older Readers)

Atkinson, Linda. *In Kindling Flame: The Story of Hannah Senesh, 1921-1944*. New York: Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, 1985. ISBN: 0688027148 Biography of poet and Special Operations Executive member Hannah Senesh, with political and historical background. (Nonfiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

Ossowski, Leonie. *Star Without a Sky*. Minneapolis: Lerner Publishing, 1985. ISBN: 0822507714 A group of German young people must decide the fate of a Jewish boy that they find days before the Russians invade their town. (Fiction, Notable Book for Teen Readers)

1984

Orlev, Uri. *The Island on Bird Street*. Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 1984. ISBN: 0395616239 reissue pbk During World War II a Jewish boy is left on his own for months in a ruined house in the Warsaw Ghetto, where he must learn all the tricks of survival under constantly life-threatening conditions. (Fiction, Award Winner for Older Readers)

1983

Zar, Rose. *In the Mouth of the Wolf*. Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society, 1983. ISBN: 0827603827 pbk The author describes her experiences in wartime Poland and how she survived the Holocaust by passing herself off as an Aryan. (Nonfiction, Award Winner for Older Readers)

1978

Orgel, Doris. *The Devil in Vienna*. New York: Penguin USA, 1978. ISBN: 014032500X reissue pbk A Jewish girl and the daughter of a Nazi have been best friends since they started school, but in 1938 the thirteen-year-olds find their close relationship difficult to maintain. (Fiction, Award Winner for Older Readers)

1976

Meltzer, Milton. *Never to Forget*. New York: Harper Collins Children's Books, 1976. ISBN: 0064461181 reissue pbk Describes Hitler's rise, the extermination of Europe's Jews, and the slow emergence of resistance, and includes first-hand accounts of ghetto life and death-camp terror. (Nonfiction, Award Winner for Older Readers)

1973

Suhl, Yuri. *Uncle Misha's Partisans*. New York: Four Winds, 1973. ISBN: 0590072951 During World War II in the Ukraine, an orphaned Jewish boy joins a band of partisans who give him an important assignment against the Nazis. (Fiction, Award Winner for Older Readers)

1968

Hautzig, Esther. *The Endless Steppe*. New York: HarperCollins Children's Books, 1968. ISBN: 006440577X reissue pbk The author describes her experiences during World War II when she and her family were arrested by the Russians and sent to work in the Siberian gypsum mines. (Nonfiction, Award Winner for Older Readers)