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Booklist for 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade educators  
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**ART/ARCHITECTURE/MUSIC**

*CCG: Apply critical analysis to works of art.*

*CCG: Respond to works for art and give reasons for preferences.*

*CCG: Understand the interrelationships among art forms.*

*CCG: Understand how events and conditions influence the arts.*

*CCG: Understand how the arts can reflect the environment and personal experiences within a society or culture, and apply to one's own work.*

Art

\*D'Harcourt, Claire. [Masterpieces up close: Western painting from the 14<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> centuries](#). San Francisco, Chronicle Books, 2005. j759 D533m

\*Ellabbad, Mohieddine. [The illustrator's notebook](#). Toronto: Groundwood Books, 2006. j741.642 E44i

\*Niedzviecki, Hal. [The big book of pop culture: a how-to guide for young artists](#). Toronto: Annick Press, 2007. y700 N666b

Govenar, Alan. [Extraordinary ordinary people: five American masters of traditional arts](#). Cambridge MA: Candlewick Press, 2006. j745.092 G721e

Renshaw, Amanda. [The art book for children](#). New York: Phaidon Press, 2005. j709 R421a

Sousa, Jean. [Faces, places and inner spaces: a guide to looking at art](#). New York: Abrams, 2006. j701.1 S725f

Dance

\*Siegel, Siena Cherson. [To Dance: a memoir](#). New York: Aladdin Paperbacks, 2006. jgn 792.8 SIEGEL (also available in hard cover)

Music

\*Gourse, Leslie. [Sophisticated ladies: the great women of jazz](#). New York: Dutton Children's Books/Penguin Young Readers Group, 2007. j782.42165 G716s

\*Winter, Jonah. [Dizzy](#). New York: Arthur Levine Books, 2006. j788.92 G478w

Lewis, J. Patrick. [Black cat bone: the life of blues legend Robert Johnson](#). North Mankato MN: Creative editions, 2006. j811.5 L674bc

Myers, Walter Dean. [Jazz](#). New York: Holiday House, 2006. j811.5 M996j

Nathan, Amy. [Meet the musicians: from prodigy \(or not\) to pro](#). New York: Henry Holt, 2006. j780.92 N274m

## SCIENCE

### Animals / Habitats

*CCG: Diversity/Interdependence: Understand the relationships among living things and between living things and their environments.*

\*Montgomery, Sy. [Quest for the tree kangaroo: an expedition to the Cloud Forest of New Guinea](#). Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2006. j599.22 M788q

\*Wechsler, Doug. [Frog heaven: ecology of a vernal pool](#). Honesdale, PA: Boyds Mills Press, 2006. j577.63 W386f

Marrin, Albert. [Saving the Buffalo](#). New York: Scholastic Nonfiction, 2006. j599.643 M359s

### The Environment

*CCG: Geography: Understand how people and the environment are interrelated.  
Life Science: Diversity/Interdependence: Understand the relationships among living things and between living things and their environments.*

Burns, Loree Griffin. [Tracking trash: flotsam, jetsam and the science of ocean motion](#). Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2007 j551.462 B967t

Gore, Albert. [An inconvenient truth: the crisis of global warming](#). New York: Viking, 2007. j363.73874

Reece, Erik. [Lost mountain: a year in the vanishing wilderness: radical strip mining and the devastation of Appalachia](#). New York: Riverhead Books, 2006. 333.765 R322L

### Earth and Space Science

*CCG: Explain the water cycle and its relationship to weather and climatic patterns. Identify factors that cause or affect weather patterns.*

## Earth Science

\*Lindop, Laurie. [Cave sleuths](#). Minneapolis: Twenty-First Century Books, 2006. j551.447 L747c

## Weather

\*Hale, Marian. [Dark water rising](#). New York: Henry Holt, 2006. Y HALE

\*Markle, Sandra. [Rescues!](#) Minneapolis MN: Millbrook Press, 2006. j363.3481 M346r

Treaster, Joseph. [Hurricane force: in the path of America's deadliest storms](#). Boston: Kingfisher, 2007. j551.552 T784h

## Water & The Elements

\*Day, Trevor. [Water](#). New York: DK Publishing, 2007. j546.22 D275w

Miller, Ron. [The elements: what you really want to know](#). Minneapolis: Twenty-first century books, 2006. j546 M649e

## Space

Carson, Mary Kay. [Exploring the Solar System: a history with 22 activities](#). Chicago: Chicago Review Press, 2006. j523.2 C321e

## Science Experiments

*CCG: Forming the Question/Hypothesis: Formulate and express scientific questions or hypotheses to be investigated.*

*CCG: Designing the Investigation: Design safe and ethical scientific investigations to address questions or hypotheses.*

*CCG: Collecting and Presenting Data: Conduct procedures to collect, organize, and display scientific data.*

*CCG: Analyzing Data and Interpreting Results: Analyze scientific information to develop and present conclusions.*

Newcomb, Rain. [Smash it! Crash it! Launch it! 50 mind-blowing eye-popping science experiments](#). New York: Lark Books, 2006. j507.8 N538s

## Health & Disease

*CCG: Demonstrate self management and advocacy skills while understanding the relationships among health behavior and prevention of disease.*

## Scientists/Scientific Inquiry

*CCG: Forming the Question/Hypothesis: Formulate and express scientific questions or hypotheses to be investigated.*

*CCG: Designing the Investigation: Design safe and ethical scientific investigations to address questions or hypotheses.*

*CCG: Collecting and Presenting Data: Conduct procedures to collect, organize, and display scientific data.*

*CCG: Analyzing Data and Interpreting Results: Analyze scientific information to develop and present conclusions.*

\*Krull, Kathleen. [Giants of Science: Isaac Newton](#). New York: Viking, 2006. j B-N563k

Jerome, Kate Boehm. [Atomic universe: the quest to discover radioactivity](#). *Science Quest* series. Washington DC: National Geographic, 2006. j539.7 J56a

Phalen, Glen. [Double helix: the quest to uncover the structure of DNA](#). *Science Quest* series. Washington DC: National Geographic, 2006. j572.86 P538d

Phelan, Glen. [An invisible force: the quest to define the laws of motion](#). *Science Quest* series. Washington DC: National Geographic, 2006. j531.11 P438i

Phalen, Glen. [Killing germs, saving lives: the quest for the first vaccines](#). *Science Quest* series. Washington DC: National Geographic, 2006. j615.372 P538k

### Technology

*CCG: Understand the relationship that exists between science and technology.*

*CCG: Understand the process of technological design to solve problems and meet needs.*

\*Woodford, Chris, ed. [Cool stuff and how it works](#). New York: Dorling Kindersley, 2005. j600 C774

Fradin, Dennis. [With a little luck: surprising stories of amazing discoveries](#). New York: Dutton Children's Books, 2006. j509 F799w

### **GEOGRAPHY/MULTICULTURAL LITERATURE**

*CCG: Compare and analyze physical (e.g., landforms, vegetation, wildlife, climate, and natural hazards) and human (e.g., population, land use, language, and religion) characteristics of places and regions.*

*CCG: Analyze the causes of human migration (e.g., density, food and water supply, transportation and communication systems) and its effects (e.g., impact on physical and human systems).*

*CCG: Understand how differing points of view, self-interest, and global distribution of natural resources play a role in conflict over territory.*

*CCG: Use maps and other geographic tools and technologies to acquire, process, and report information from a spatial perspective.*

## Asia / Asian-American

\*Yang, Gene Luen. [American born Chinese](#). New York: First Second, 2006. ygn YANG

Lat. [Kampung Boy](#). New York: First Second, 2006. ygn LAT (Malaysia, Muslims)

## Arab-Israeli Conflict

Barakat, Ibtisam. [Tasting the sky: a Palestinian childhood](#). New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2007. y956.952 B224t

## Africa

\*Jansen, Hanna. [Over a thousand hills I walk with you](#). Minneapolis MN: Carolrhoda Books, 2006. y JANSEN (Rwanda)

## First Nations

\*Medicine Crow, Joseph. [Counting coup: becoming a Crow chief on the Reservation and beyond](#). Washington DC: National Geographic, 2006. j B-Me4687c

## Hispanic

\*Lupica, Mike. [Heat](#). New York: Philomel Books, 2006. j LUPICA (illegal aliens, Cubans)

Resau, Laura. [What the moon saw: a novel](#). New York: Delacorte Press, 2006. Y RESAU (visiting family in Mexico; immigrating to the US)

## Immigrant Experience

\*Lupica, Mike. [Heat](#). New York: Philomel Books, 2006. j LUPICA (illegal aliens, Cubans)

Resau, Laura. [What the moon saw: a novel](#). New York: Delacorte Press, 2006. Y RESAU (visiting family in Mexico; immigrating to the US)

## The Middle East

Sayres, Meghan Nuttall. [Anahita's woven riddle](#). New York: Amulet Books, 2006. y SAYRES (Iran, Muslims)

## South America

\*Ellis, Deborah. [I am a taxi](#). Toronto: Groundwood Books, 2006. Y ELLIS (Bolivia)

## Geography

### *General*

Menzel, Peter. [Hungry planet: what the world eats](#). Napa CA: Material World Press: 2005. 641.3 M551h

\*Siebert, Diane. [Tour America: a journey through poems and art](#). San Francisco, CA: Chronicle Books, 2006. j811.5 S571t

### *North Pole, Antarctica and the Iditarod*

Bledsoe, Lucy Jane. [How to survive in Antarctica](#). New York: Holiday House, 2006. j919.89 B646h

Revkin, Andrew. [The North Pole was here: puzzles and perils at the top of the world](#). Boston: Kingfisher, 2006. j910.9163 R454n

Scdoris, Rachael. [No end in sight: my life as a blind Iditarod racer](#). New York: St Martin's Press, 2006. 798.8 S288n

## **AMERICAN HISTORY**

**CCG:** *Historical Skills: Identify and analyze diverse perspectives on and historical interpretation of historical issues and events.*

**CCG:** *U.S. History: Understand and interpret events, issues, and developments within and across eras of U.S. history.*

**CCG:** *Historical Skills: Identify and analyze diverse perspectives on and historical interpretation of historical issues and events.*

**CCG:** *State & Local History: Understand and interpret events, issues, and developments in the history of one's family, local community, and culture.*

### General

Armstrong, Jennifer. [The American story: 100 true tales from American history](#). New York: Knopf/Random House, 2006. j973 A736a

Buckley, Susan Washburn. [Journeys for freedom: a new look at America's story](#). Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2006. j973 B924j

Lutes, Jason. [Houdini the handcuff king](#). New York: Hyperion, 2007. jgn 793.8  
LUTES

## Colonial Times

\*Anderson, M.T. [The Pox Party](#). Vol. 1 of *The astonishing life of Octavian nothing: traitor to the nation*. Cambridge: Candlewick, 2006. Y ANDERSON

\*Harness, Cheryl. [The adventurous life of Myles Standish and the amazine-but-true survival story of the Plymouth Colony](#). Washington DC: National Geographic, 2006. j974.4 H289a

Bober, Natalie S. [Thomas Jefferson: draftsman of a nation](#). Charlottesville: University of Virginia Press, 2007. j B-J45bn

Carbone, Elisa Lynn. [Blood on the river: James Town 1607](#). New York: Viking, 2006. Y CARBONE

Duble, Kathleen Benner. [The sacrifice](#). Waterville Me: Thorndike Press, 2007. j DUBLE

Fleming, Thomas. [Everybody's revolution: a new look at the people who won America's freedom](#). Scholastic Nonfiction, 2006. j973.3 F598e

## Slavery

\* Woods, Brenda. [My Name is Sally Little Song](#). New York: Putnam's Sons, 2006. j WOODS

Giovanni, Nikki. [On my journey now: looking at African-American history through the spirituals](#). Cambridge MA: Candlewick, 2007.

Pringle, Laurence. [American slave, American hero](#). Honesdale, Pa: Calkins Creek Books, 2006.

## Civil War

\*Rappaport, Doreen. [United no more! Stories of the Civil War](#). New York: HarperCollins, 2006. j973.7 R221u

\*Wells, Rosemary. [Red moon at Sharpsburg](#). New York: Viking, 2007. J WELLS

Allen, Thomas. [Harriet Tubman, secret agent: how daring slaves and free Blacks spied for the Union during the Civil War](#). Washington DC: National Geographic, 2006. j B-T885aL

Durrant, Lynda. [My last skirt: the story of Jennie Hodgers, Union soldier](#). New York: 2006. j DURANT

Spain, Susan Rosson. [The deep cut](#). Tarrytown NY: Marshall Cavendish, 2006.  
Y SPAIN

### Erie Canal

Murphy, Jim. [Desperate journey](#). New York: Scholastic Press, 2006. j MURPHY

### Harlem Renaissance

\*Myers, Walter Dean. [Harlem summer](#). New York: Scholastic, 2007. y MYERS

Abdul-Jabbar, Kareem. [On the shoulders of giants: my journey through the Harlem Renaissance](#). New York: Simon & Schuster, 2007. 796.323 a136o

### Westward Expansion

\*Paulsen, Gary. [The legend of Bass Reeves: being the true and fictional account of the most valiant marshal in the West](#). New York: Wendy Lamb Books, 2006. y PAULSEN

Anderson, Margaret Jean. [Olla-Piska: tales of David Douglas](#). Portland OR: Oregon Historical Society Press, 2006. j ANDERSON

Harness, Cheryl. [The tragic tale of Narcissa Whitman and the faithful history of the Oregon Trail](#). Washington DC: National Geographic, 2006. j978 H289t

Larson, Kirby. [Hattie Big Sky](#). New York: Delacorte Press, 2006. Y LARSON

Patent, Dorothy Hinshaw. [The buffalo and the Indians: a shared destiny](#). New York: Clarion Books, 2006. j978.004 P295b

Philip, Neil. [The great circle: a history of the First Nations](#). New York: Clarion, 2006. j973.0497 P549g

Walker, Paul Robert. [Remember Little Bighorn: Indians, soldiers, and scouts tell their stories](#). Washington DC: National Geographic, 2006. j973.82 W183r

### Prohibition

Lisle, Janet Taylor. [Black Duck](#). New York: Sleuth/Philomel, 2006. y LISLE

### Labor Movement

\*Paterson, Katherine. [Bread and roses, too](#). New York: Clarion, 2006. j PATERSON

## Scopes Trial

Kidd, Ronald. [Monkey town: the summer of the Scopes trial](#). New York: Simon & Schuster, 2006. Y KIDD

## World War II

Peck, Richard. [On the wings of heroes](#). New York: Dial Books, 2007. j PECK

## Los Alamos

Klages, Ellen. [The green glass sea: a novel](#). New York: Viking Juvenile, 2006. Y KLAGES

## Civil Rights Movement

\*Helfer, Andrew. [Malcolm X: a graphic biography](#). New York: Hill and Wang, 2006. GN 320.54 X

\*Parr, Ann. [Gordon Parks: no excuses](#). Gretna, La: Pelican Pub, 2006. j770.92 P252p

\*Rappaport, Doreen. [Nobody gonna turn me 'round: stories and songs of the civil rights movement](#). Cambridge: Candlewick, 2006. j323.1196 R221n

Bolden, Tonya. [M.L.K.: journey of a King](#). New York: Abrams Books for Young Readers, 2007. j B-K53bo

Freedman, Russell. [Freedom walkers: the story of the Montgomery bus boycott](#). New York: Holiday House, 2006.

McKissak, Pat. [A friendship for today](#). New York: Scholastic, 2007. j MCKISSAK

Nolan, Han. [A summer of kings](#). Orlando: Harcourt, 2006. Y NOLAN

## Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender

\*Garden, Nancy. [Hear us out: lesbian and gay stories of struggle, progress, and hope 1950 to the present](#). New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2007. y306.766 G218h

## **POLITICS/GOVERNMENT**

*CCG: Understand how government is influenced and changed by support and dissent of individuals, groups, and international organizations.*

*CCG: Analyze the concepts of political power, authority, conflict, and conflict management.*

\*Panchyk, Richard. [Our Supreme Court: a history with 14 activities](#). Chicago: Chicago Review Press, 2006. j 347.7326 P188o

Lugovskaya, Nina. [I Want to Live: The Diary of a Young Girl in Stalin's Russia](#). Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2007. y947.0842 L951i

Jolin, Paula. [In the name of God](#). New Milford, Conn: Roaring Brook Press, 2007. y JOLIN

### **WORLD HISTORY**

*CCG: Historical Skills: Interpret and reconstruct chronological relationships.*

*CCG: Historical Skills: Analyze cause and effect relationships, including multiple causalities.*

*CCG: Historical Skills: Identify and analyze diverse perspectives on and historical interpretation of historical issues and events.*

*CCG: World History: Understand and interpret events, issues, and developments within and across eras of world history.*

#### General World History

\*Halilbegovich, Nadja. [My childhood under fire: a Sarajevo diary](#). Toronto: Kids Can Press, 2006. y949.703 H173m

\*Laird, Elizabeth. [A little piece of ground](#). Chicago: Haymarket Books, 2006. Y LAIRD (Arab-Israeli conflict)

Ball, Jacqueline. [National Geographic investigates ancient China: archeology unlocks the secrets of China's past](#). Washington DC: National Geographic, 2007. j931 B187n

Laurie, Peter. [Hidden world of the Aztec](#). Honesdale PA: Boyds Mills Press, 2006. j972.018 L892h

Williams, Susan. [Wind Rider](#). New York: Geringer Books, 2006. Y WILLIAMS (4000 BC)

#### Ancient History

\*Henderson, Kathy. [Lugalbanda: the boy who got caught up in a war](#). Cambridge MA: Candlewick Press, 2006. j398.2 H496L

## World War I

Sedgwick, Marcus. [The foreshadowing](#). New York: Wendy Lamb Books, 2006. Y SEDGWICK.

## World War II

\*Bloor, Edward. [London Calling](#). New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2006. Y BLOOR

## The Holocaust

\*Peet, Mal. [Tamar](#). Cambridge MA: Candlewick Press, 2007. Y PEET.

\*Zusak, Markus. [The book thief](#). New York: AA Knopf, 2006. Y ZUSAK

Barth-Grozinger, Inge. [Something remains](#). New York: Hyperion Books for Children, 2006. Y BARTHGROZ

DeSaix, Deborah Durland. [Hidden on the mountain: stories of children sheltered from the Nazis in Le Chambon](#). New York: Holiday House, 2007. j940.5318 D441h

Glatstein, Jacob. [Emil and Karl](#). New Milford CT: Roaring Brook Press, 2006. Y GLATSTEIN

Roy, Jennifer Rozines. [Yellow star](#). Tarrytown NY: Marshall Cavendish, 2006. Y ROY.

Series: *Holocaust Heroes and Nazi Criminals*.

Altman, Linda Jacobs. [Adolf Hitler: evil mastermind of the Holocaust](#). Berkley Heights NJ: Enslow Pub, 2005 j B-H675aL

Byers, Ann. [Oskar Schindler: saving Jews from the Holocaust](#). Berkley Heights NJ: Enslow Pub, 2005. j B-Sc34b 2005.

Hermann, Spring. [Anne Frank: hope in the shadows of the Holocaust](#). Berkley Heights NJ: Enslow Pub, 2005. j B-F828he 2005.

McArthur, Debra. [Raoul Wallenberg: rescuing thousands from the Nazis' grasp](#). Berkley Heights NJ: Enslow Pub, 2005. j B-Wa156mc 2005.

Moore, Lisa. [Elie Wiesel: surviving the Holocaust speaking out against genocide](#). Berkley Heights NJ: Enslow Pub, 2005. j B-Wi6374m 2005

Streissguth, Thomas. [Adolf Eichmann: executing the final solution](#). Berkley Heights NJ: Enslow Pub, 2005. j B-Ei24s

Worth, Richard. [Heinrich Himmler: murderous architect of the Holocaust](#). Berkley Heights NJ: Enslow Pub, 2005. j B-H658w 2005.

### European History

\*Adkins, Jan. [What if you met a knight](#). New Milford CT: Roaring Brook Press, 2006. j940.1 A 236w

\*Freedman, Russell. [The adventures of Marco Polo](#). New York: AA Levine Books, 2006. j B-P778f

\*Mann, Elizabeth. [The Parthenon](#). New York: Mikaya Press, 2006. j938 M281p

\*Schmemmann, Serge. [When the wall came down: the Berlin Wall and the fall of the Soviet communism](#). Boston: Kingfisher, 2006. 943.1087 S347w

Buckley-Archer, Linda. [Gideon the cutpurse: being the first part of the Gideon trilogy](#). New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Children, 2006. Y BUCKLEYAR

Hoffman, Mary. [The falconer's knot: a story of friars, flirtation and foul play](#). New York: Bloomsbury USA Children's Books, 2007. Y HOFFMAN

### European Emigration

Frost, Helen. [The Braid](#). New York: Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2006. Y FROST

### The Middle Ages

## **LANGUAGE ARTS**

*CCG: Conventions: Demonstrate knowledge of spelling, grammar, punctuation, capitalization, and penmanship across the subject areas.*

*CCG: Writing: Planning, Evaluation, and Revision: Pre-write, draft, revise, edit, and publish across the subject areas.*

*CCG: Writing: Communicate supported ideas across the subject areas, including relevant examples, facts, anecdotes, and details appropriate to audience and purpose that engage reader interest ; organize information in clear sequence, making connections and transitions among ideas, sentences, and paragraphs ; and use precise words and fluent sentence structures that support meaning.*

## Poet Biographies

\*Andronik, Catherine M. [Wildly Romantic: The English Romantic Poets: The Mad, the Bad and the Dangerous](#). New York: Henry Holt, 2007. y821.7 A575w

\*Hemphill, Stephanie. [Your own, Sylvia: a verse portrait of Sylvia Plath](#). New York: Knopf, 2007. y811.5 P716he

## Poetry Collections

\*Crisler, Curtis. [Tough boy sonatas](#). Honesdale, Penn: Wordsong, 2007. y811.6 C932t

Mora, Pat. [Adobe odes](#). Tuscan: University of Arizona Press, 2006. 811.5 M827ao.

Nakazawa, Liz, editor. [Deer Drink the Moon; Poems of Oregon](#). Portland, OR: Ooligan Press, 2007. 811.008 D312 2007

Hughes, Langston. [Langston Hughes](#). New York: Sterling, 2006 j811.5H893Lr

## How to Write Poetry

\*Wolf, Allan. [Immersed in verse](#). New York: Lark Books, 2006.

## Stories & Storytelling

McKissack, Pat. [Porch lies: tales of slicksters, tricksters, and other wily characters](#). New York: Schwartz & Wade books, 2006. j MCKISSACK

## Novels about Writers

\*Bennett, Veronica. [Angelmonster](#). Cambridge, MA: Candlewick Press, 2006. Y BENNETT

Lawlor, Laurie. [The two loves of Will Shakespeare](#). New York: Holiday House, 2006. Y LAWLOR

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