



Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People 2014 Preview

Please note that this is a preview of the 2014 Notable Social Studies Trade Books list. The final list will include annotations for each title, as well as connections to the National Standards for Social Studies. The final list will be published by the NCSS in a 16-page illustrated pullout in the May-June 2014 issue of Social Education.

Kindergarten to Second Grade

Barbed Wire Baseball. Marissa Moss. Illustrated by Yuko Shimizu. Abrams Books for Young Readers.

Becoming Babe Ruth. Matt Tavares. Candlewick Press.

The Blessing Cup. Patricia Polacco. Paula Wiseman Books, Simon & Schuster.

Building Our House. Jonathan Bean. Farrar, Straus and Giroux, Macmillan.

Bully. Laura Vaccaro Seeger. Roaring Brook Press, Macmillan.

The Cart that Carried Martin. Eve Bunting. Illustrated by Don Tate. Charlesbridge.

The Cat with Seven Names. Tony Johnston. Illustrated by Christine Davenier. Charlesbridge.

Deep in the Sahara. Kelly Cunnane. Illustrated by Hoda Hadadi. Schwartz & Wade, Random House.

Exclamation Mark. Amy Krouse Rosenthal. Illustrated by Tom Lichtenheld. Scholastic Press.

The Favorite Daughter. Allen Say. Arthur A. Levine Books, Scholastic.

The First Drawing. Mordicai Gerstein. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, Hachette.

Flood. Alvaro F. Villa. Capstone Young Readers.

Flying Solo: How Ruth Elder Soared into America's Heart. Julie Cummins. Illustrated by Malene R. Laugesen. Roaring Brook Press, Macmillan.

Frog Song. Brenda Guiberson. Illustrated Gennady Spirin. Henry Holt and Co., Macmillan.

The Granddaughter Necklace. Sharon Dennis Wyeth. Illustrated by Bagram Ibatoulline. Arthur A. Levine Books, Scholastic.

Grandma and the Great Gourd: A Bengali Folk Tale. Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni. Illustrated by Susy Pilgrim Waters. Roaring Brook Press, Macmillan.

Hanukkah in Alaska. Barbara Brown. Illustrated by Stacey Schuett. Henry Holt & Co., Macmillan.

Healthy Kids. Maya Ajmera, Victoria Dunning, and Cynthia Pon. Charelsbridge.

Henry and the Cannons: An Extraordinary True Story of the American Revolution. Don Brown. Roaring Brook Press, Macmillan.

Hope's Gift. Kelly Starling Lyons. Illustrated by Don Tate. G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers , Penguin Young Readers Group.

Jimmy the Joey: The True Story of an Amazing Koala Rescue. Susan Kelly and Deborah Lee Rose. National Geographic Children's Books.

Knit Your Bit. Deborah Hopkinson. Illustrated by Steven Guarnaccia. G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers , Penguin Young Readers Group.

Knock Knock: My Dad's Dream for Me. Daniel Beaty. Illustrated by Bryan Collier. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, Hachette.

Look Up!: Henrietta Leavitt, Pioneering Woman Astronomer. Robert Burleigh. Illustrated by Raúl Colón. Paula Wiseman Books, Simon & Schuster.

My Mom Is a Foreigner, But Not to Me. Julianne Moore. Illustrated by Meilo So. Chronicle Books.

Mysterious Traveler. Mal Peet and Elspeth Graham. Illustrated by P.J. Lynch. Candlewick Press.

On a Beam of Light: A Story of Albert Einstein. Jennifer Berne. Illustrated by Vladimir Radunsky. Chronicle Books.

Old Mikamba Had a Farm. Rachel Isadora. Nancy Paulsen Books, Penguin Young Readers Group.

Papa is a Poet: A Story About Robert Frost. Natalie S. Bober. Illustrated by Rebecca Gibbon. Henry Holt & Co., Macmillan.

Red Kite, Blue Kite. Ji-li Jiang. Illustrated by Greg Ruth. Disney-Hyperion, Disney Book Group.

This is the Rope: A Story From the Great Migration. Jacqueline Woodson. Illustrated by James Ransome. Nancy Paulsen Books, Penguin Young Readers Group.

Three Years and Eight Months. Icy Smith. Illustrated by Jennifer Kindert. East West Discovery Press.

Trouper. Meg Kearney. Illustrated by E. B. Lewis. Scholastic Press.

We Shall Overcome: The Story of a Song. Debbie Levy. Illustrated by Vanessa Brantley-Newton. Jump At The Sun, Disney Book Group.

When Christmas Feels Like Home. Gretchen Griffith. Illustrated by Carolina Farias. Albert Whitman & Company.

Who Says Women Can't Be Doctors?: The Story of Elizabeth Blackwell. Tanya Lee Stone. Illustrated by Marjorie Priceman. Christy Ottaviano Books/Henry Holt Books for Young Readers, Macmillan.

The World is Waiting For You. Barbara Kerley. National Geographic Children's Books.

You Never Heard of Willie Mays?! Jonah Winter. Illustrated by Terry Widener. Schwartz & Wade, Random House.

Third to Fifth Grade

Al Capone Does My Homework. Gennifer Choldenko. Dial, Penguin Young Readers Group.

Angel Island: Gateway to Gold Mountain. Russell Freedman. Clarion Books, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt.

Anne Frank's Chestnut Tree. Jane Kohuth. Illustrated by Elizabeth Sayles. Random House Books for Young Readers.

The Beatles Were Fab (and They Were Funny). Kathleen Krull and Paul Brewer. Illustrated by Stacy Innerst. HMH Books for Young Readers.

Brave Girl: Clara and the Shirtwaist Makers' Strike of 1909. Michelle Markel. Illustrated by Melissa Sweet. Balzer + Bray, HarperCollins.

Desmond and the Very Mean Word. Archbishop Desmond Tutu. Illustrated by A. G. Ford. Candlewick Press.

Diego Rivera: An Artist for the People. Susan Goldman Rubin. Abrams Books for Young Readers.

Fish for Jimmy: Inspired by One Family's Experience in a Japanese American Internment Camp. Katie Yamasaki. Holiday House.

Hold Fast. Blue Balliett. Scholastic Press.

In Andal's House. Gloria Whelan. Illustrated by Amanda Hall. Sleeping Bear Press.

Jasper's Story: Saving Moon Bears. Jill Robinson and Marc Bekoff. Illustrated Gijbert van Frankenhuyzen. Sleeping Bear Press.

Lives of the Scientists: Experiments, Explosions (and What the Neighbors Thought). Kathleen Krull. Illustrated by Kathryn Hewitt. HMH Books for Young Readers.

Locomotive. Brian Floca. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, Simon & Schuster.

Louisa May's Battle: How the Civil War Led to *Little Women*. Kathleen Krull. Illustrated by Carlyn Beccia. WalkerBooks , Bloomsbury.

The Matchbox Diary. Paul Fleischman. Illustrated by Bagram Ibatoulline. Candlewick Press.

The Mighty Lalouche. Matthew Olshan. Illustrated by Sophie Blackall. Schwartz & Wade, Random House.

Miss Moore Thought Otherwise: How Anne Carroll Moore Created Libraries for Children. Jan Pinborough. Illustrated by Debby Atwell. HMH Books for Young Readers.

Nelson Mandela. Kadir Nelson. Katherine Tegen Books, HarperCollins.

The Other Side of Free. Krista Russell. Peachtree Publishers.

Pancho Rabbit and the Coyote: A Migrant's Tale. Duncan Tonatiuh. Abrams Books for Young Readers.

Paper Son: Lee's Journey to America. Helen Foster James and Virginia Shin-Mui Loh. Illustrated by Wilson Ong. Sleeping bear Press.

The Price of Freedom: How One Town Stood Up to Slavery. Dennis Brindell Fradin and Judith Bloom Fradin. Illustrated by Eric Velasquez. Walker Books, Bloomsbury.

Skit-Scat Raggedy Cat: Ella Fitzgerald. Roxane Orgill. Illustrated by Sean Qualls. Candlewick Press.

Sugar. Jewell Parker Rhodes. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, Hachette.

The Tree Lady: The True Story of How One Tree-Loving Woman Changed a City Forever. H. Joseph Hopkins. Illustrated by Jill McElmurry. Beach Lane Books, Simon & Schuster.

Tuki and Moka: A Tale of Two Tamarins. Judy Young. Illustrated by Jim Madsen. Sleeping Bear Press.

War Dogs: Churchill & Rufus. Kathryn Selbert. Charlesbridge.

When the Beat Was Born: DJ Kool Herc and the Creation of Hip Hop. Laban Carrick Hill. Illustrated by Theodore Taylor. Roaring Brook Press, Macmillan.

When Thunder Comes: Poems for Civil Rights Leaders. J. Patrick Lewis. Illustrated by R. Gregory Christie, Meilo So, Jim Burke, John Parra, and Tonya Engel. Chronicle Books.

Sixth to Eighth Grade

Africa is My Home: A Child of the Amistad. Monica Edinger. Illustrated by Robert Byrd. Candlewick Press.

Becoming Ben Franklin: How a Candle-Maker's Son Helped Light the Flame of Liberty. Russell Freedman. Holiday House.

Bluffton: My Summers with Buster Keaton. Matt Phelan. Candlewick Press.

The Boy on the Wooden Box: How the Impossible Became Possible . . . on Schindler's List. Leon Leyson with Marilyn J. Haran and Elisabeth B. Leyson. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, Simon & Schuster.

Brotherhood. Anne Westrick. Puffin Books , Penguin Young Readers Group.

Canary in the Coal Mine. Madelyn Rosenberg. Illustrated by Chris Sheban. Holiday House.

Christopher Columbus and the Age of Exploration for Kids. Ronald A. Reis. Chicago Review Press.

Counting by 7s. Holly Goldberg Sloan. Dial Books, Penguin Young Readers Group.

Courage Has No Color: The True Story of the Triple Nickles, America's First Black Paratrooper. Tanya Lee Stone. Candlewick Press.

Crystal City Lights. Holly Moulder. Illustrated by Anthony Alex LeTourneau. Blue Marlin Publications.

Emancipation Proclamation: Lincoln and the Dawn of Liberty. Tonya Bolden. Abrams Books for Young Readers.

Enrique's Journey: The True Story of a Boy Determined to Reunite with His Mother. Sonia Nazario. Delacorte Books for Young Readers, Random House.

Fallout. Todd Strasser. Candlewick Press.

Finding Zasha. Randi Barrow. Scholastic Press.

The Fire Horse Girl. Kay Honeyman. Arthur A. Levine Books, Scholastic.

Footwork: The Story of Fred and Adele Astaire. Roxane Orgill. Illustrated by Stephane Jorsch. Candlewick Press.

A Girl Called Problem. Katie Quirk. Eerdmans Books for Young Readers.

Golden Boy. Tara Sullivan. G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers , Penguin Young Readers Group.

The Great Trouble: A Mystery of London, the Blue Death, and a Boy Called Eel. Deborah Hopkinson. Knopf Books for Young Readers, Random House.

Horrors of History: City of the Dead. T. Neill Anderson. Charlesbridge.

How I Became a Ghost: A Choctaw Trail of Tears Story. Tim Tingle. Illustrated by Steven Walker. The RoadRunner Press.

If I Ever Get Out of Here. Eric Gansworth. Arthur A. Levine Books, Scholastic.

Imprisoned: The Betrayal of Japanese Americans During World War II. Martin W. Sandler. WalkerBooks , Bloomsbury.

Invasion. Walter Dean Myers. Scholastic Press.

The Lightning Dreamer: Cuba's Greatest Abolitionist. Margarita Engle.HMH Books for Young Readers.

Lincoln's Grave Robbers. Steve Sheinkin. Scholastic Press.

Maps. Aleksandra Mizelińska and Daniel Mizeliński. Big Picture Press, Candlewick Press.

Master George's People: George Washington, His Slaves, and His Revolutionary Transformation. Marfé Ferguson Delano. National Geographic Children's Books.

My Basmati Bat Mitzvah. Paula J. Freedman. Amulet Books, Abrams .

The Nazi Hunters: How a Team of Spies and Survivors Captured the World's Most Notorious Nazi. Neal Bascomb. Arthur A. Levine Books, Scholastic.

Odette's Secrets. Maryann Macdonald. Bloomsbury Children's.

One Came Home. Amy Timberlake.Knopf Books for Young Readers , Random House.

Open Mic: Riffs on Life Between Cultures in Ten Voices. Edited by Mitali Perkins. Candlewick Press.

"The President Has Been Shot!": The Assassination of John F. Kennedy. James L. Swanson. Scholastic.

Prisoner B-3087. Alan Gratz, Jack Gruener, and Ruth Gruener. Scholastic Press.

Salt: A Story of Friendship in a Time of War. Helen Frost. Farrar, Straus and Giroux, Macmillan.

Scholastic Discover More: World War II. Sean Callery. Scholastic Reference, Scholastic.

Serafina's Promise. Ann E. Burg. Scholastic Press.

Tillie Pierce: Teen Eyewitness to the Battle of Gettysburg. Tanya Anderson. 21st Century, Lerner Publishing Group.

The Weight of Water. Sarah Crossan. Bloomsbury Children's.

When Rivers Burned: The Earth Day Story. Linda Crotta Brennan. Illustrated by Lisa Greenleaf. Apprentice Shop Books.

Where on Earth? DK Publishing.

With a Mighty Hand: The Story in the Torah. Amy Ehrlich. Illustrated by Daniel Nevins. Candlewick Press.

World War II Spies. Sean Stewart Price. Capstone Press.

Written in Stone. Rosanne Perry. Random House Books for Young Readers.

Ninth to Twelfth Grade

All the Truth That's in Me. Julie Berry. Viking Books for Young Readers , Penguin Young Readers Group.

Boxers & Saints. Gene Luen Yang. First Second, Macmillan.

Code Name Pauline: Memoirs of a World War II Special Agent. Pearl Witherington Cornioley. Chicago Review Press.

Jumped In. Patrick Flores-Scott. Henry Holt and Co., Macmillan.

Mountains Beyond Mountains: The Quest of Dr. Paul Farmer, a Man Who Would Cure the World. Tracy Kidder and Michael French. Delacorte Press, Random House.

Nine Days. Fred Hiatt. Delacorte Press, Random House.

Openly Straight. Bill Konigsberg. Arthur A. Levine Books, Scholastic.

Rapture Practice: A True Story About Growing Up Gay in an Evangelical Family. Aaron Hartzler. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, Hachette.

Son of Fortune. Victoria McKernan. Knopf Books for Young Readers, Random House.

Thousand Words. Jennifer Brown. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, Hachette.

Torn. David Massey. Chicken House, Scholastic.

The Wall. William Sutcliffe. Walker Books , Bloomsbury.

The War within These Walls. Aline Sax and Caryl Strzelecki. Eerdmans Books for Young Readers.

Women Aviators: 26 Stories of Pioneer Flights, Daring Missions, and Record-Setting Journeys. Karen Bush Gibson. Chicago Review Press.

Women of the Frontier. Brandon Marie Miller. Chicago Review Press.