2023 NOTABLE SOCIAL STUDIES
TRADE BOOKS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Please note that this is a preview of the 2023 Notable Social Studies Trade Books list. The final list will be published by NCSS in the May-June 2023 issue of Social Education, and include annotations for each title, illustrations, and connections to the National Standards for Social Studies.

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THIRD TO FIFTH GRADE


I Hate Borsch!. written and illustrated by Yevgenia Nayberg. 56pp. ISBN 9780802855800. Eerdmans / Eerdmans Books for Young Readers. 3-5

It’s Up to Us. Chris Lloyd; illustrated by Multiple (33 different illustrators). 64pp. ISBN 9781913750534. What on Earth Books. 3-5


Sanctuary: Kip Tiernan and Rosie’s Place, the Nation’s First Shelter for Women. Christine McDonnell; illustrated by Victoria Tentler-Krylov. 40pp. ISBN 9781536211290. Candlewick Press. 3-5

She Persisted: Coretta Scott King. JKelly Starling Lyons and Chelsea Clinton; illustrated by Alexandra Boiger and Gillian Flint. 80pp. ISBN 9780593353523. Penguin Young Readers / Philomel Books. 3-5


We Have a Dream: Meet 30 Young Indigenous People and People of Color Protecting the Planet. Mya-Rose Craig; illustrated by Sabrena Khadija. 64pp. ISBN 9781419756665. ABRAMS / Magic Cat. 3-5


Her Name was Mary Katharine: The Only Woman Whose Name Is on the Declaration of Independence. Ella Schwartz; illustrated by Dow Phumiruk. 40pp. ISBN 9780316298322. Little Brown Books for Young Readers / Christy Ottaviano Books. 3-8

Honey and Me. Meira Drazin. 304pp. ISBN 9781338155433. Scholastic / Scholastic Press. 3-8

Kids Fight Climate Change: Act now to be a #2minutesuperhero. Martin Dorey; illustrated by Tim Wesson. 128pp. ISBN 9781536223484. Candlewick Press. 3-8


A Mind Like Mine. Rachael Davis; illustrated by Islenia Mil. 64pp. ISBN 9780711274013. The Quarto Group / Wide Eyed Editions. 3-8


Our World of Dumplings. Francie Dekker; illustrated by Sarah Jung. 40pp. ISBN 9781499812343. Little Bee Books. 3-8


To the Front: Clara Barton Braves the Battle of Antietam. Claudia Friddell; illustrated by Christopher Cyr. 40pp. ISBN 9781635923223. Astra Publishing House / Calkins Creek. 3-8

Two Degrees. Alan Gratz. 384pp. ISBN 9781338735673. Scholastic / Scholastic Press. 3-8

Unlawful Orders: A Portrait of Dr. James B. Williams, Tuskegee Airman, Surgeon, and Activist. Barbara Binns. 320pp. ISBN 9781338754261. Scholastic / Scholastic Focus. 3-8

The Waiting Place: When Home Is Lost and a New One Not Yet Found. Dina Nayeri; illustrated by Anna Bosch Miralpeix. 64pp. ISBN 9781536213621. Candlewick Press. 3-8

We Are Wolves. Katrina Nannestad. 304pp. ISBN 9781665904223. Simon & Schuster / Atheneum Books for Young Readers. 3-8


SIXTH TO EIGHTH GRADE


Evicted: the Struggle for the Right to Vote. Alice Faye Duncan; illustrated by Charly Palmer. 64pp. ISBN 9781684379798. Astra Publishing House / Calkins Creek. 6-8


Muhammad Najem, War Reporter; How One Boy Put the Spotlight on Syria. Muhammad Najem and Nora Neus; illustrated by Julie Robine. 320pp. Little Brown Books For Young Readers. 6-8


This Book Will Save the Planet. Dany Sigwalt; illustrated by Aurélia Durand. 160pp. ISBN 9780711268890. The Quarto Group / Frances Lincoln Children’s Books. 6-8


Some Kind of Hate. Sarah Darer Littman. 336pp. ISBN 9781338746815. Scholastic / Scholastic Press. 6-12
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NINTH TO TWELFTH GRADE


Isla to Island. written and illustrated by Alexis Castellanos. 192pp. ISBN 9781534469242. Simon & Schuster / Atheneum Books for Young Readers. 9-12


