

Grade 7 Bibliographies

Each daily lesson guide has a bibliography in the back that provides additional resources you may want to refer to when teaching the theme. A list of all bibliographies is provided here for your reference. Books for which reading levels are known are followed by RL and the grade level. Example: (RL 7.0)

Frau Luther

The Awakening of Europe by M. B. Syngé. Yesterday's Classics, 2006.

Book III in The History of the World Series covers the time from 1520-1745. It covers the reformation in Germany, the Netherlands, France, and England, as well as settlement of the colonies in America.

Courage and Conviction: Volume 3—Chronicles of the Reformation Church by Mindy & Brandon Withrow. Christian Focus Publications, 2007.

This book tells the stories of the reformers of the 16th and 17th centuries who changed the face of the Christian church forever. The book focuses on how God used different personalities in different places to bring sweeping changes to the way we worship. Extra features throughout the book look deeper into issues such as the Scientific Revolution, wars of religion, the Puritans, and the settling of the Americas. **Please be aware that there are a few instances where going to the tavern for a drink is mentioned.**

Martin Luther: A Man Who Changed the World by Paul L. Maier. Concordia Publishing House, 2004.

This picture book biography of Martin Luther chronicles his life as a young man, leader of the Reformation, and death. Striking oil paintings catch the mood and illustrate the highlights of his life. (RL 6.0)

Thunderstorm in Church by Louise A. Vernon. Herald Press, 2002.

The story of the Luther family is told from the perspective of the eldest son, Hans, as he deals with people's expectations of the son of the most famous family in Germany.

You Wouldn't Want to be Sick in the 16th Century! Diseases You'd Rather not Catch by Kathryn Senior. Children's Press (CT), 2002.

The author uses humor and whimsical illustration to describe the practice of medicine in the 16th Century. "Handy Hints" such as make sure you stop the bleeding and remove all leeches before you leave are included throughout the book. A glossary is at the end of the book. (RL 5.7)

Sigi's Fire Helmet

Bavaria and the Black Forest . . . from mountaintops to cuckoo clocks . . . (DVD) filmed and produced by Fran and Brooke Reidelberger, scripted and narrated by Fran Reidelberger. TravelVideoStore.com, 2007.

This DVD follows the Romantic Road from Fuessen to Wuerzburg. It provides a visual overview of the historical and artistic sites in the region. **Please note that some of the paintings and sculptures have a small level of nudity. Gothic paintings are also included. Please preview this DVD before sharing it with the students.**

Children's Illustrated Encyclopedia: Revised and Updated Edition. Dorling Kindersley Publishers, Limited, 2006.

This encyclopedia includes who, what, where, when, why, and how questions and answers about Bavaria. Amazing images, photographs, and maps bring the entries to life.

Eyewitness: Farm by Ned B. Halley. DK Publishing, Inc., 2000.

This is an informative guide to the past, present, and future of farming. This book includes excellent color photographs to give the reader an exceptional view of all aspects of farming. (RL 7.2)

Eyewitness Travel Guide: Munich and the Bavarian Alps by DK Publishing, Katarzyna Michalska. DK Publishing, Inc., 2010.

This is a detailed travel guide book to help build a better understanding of the stunning alpine scenery and discover the cultural delights of the city area. This book will help students with their research projects. **Please note that the book mentions different folklore and inappropriate customs: Oktoberfest, statues of saints, gothic paintings, and beer drinking.**

Learning about Forgiveness from the Life of Nelson Mandela by Jeanne M. Strazzabosco. The Rosen Publishing Group, Inc., 2003.

This book is a brief biography of the South African civil rights worker and president who serves as an example of forgiveness. (RL 4.1)

Student's Life Application Bible, New Living Translation. Tyndale House Publishers, 2006.

This Bible is designed especially for youth with captivating features that bring the Bible to life.

This is Just to Say: Poems of Apology and Forgiveness by Joyce Sidman. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2007.

This book is full of poems of apology and forgiveness created by children. **Please note that in some parts of the book there is personification.** (RL 3.9)

Gifts of an Eagle

Animal Lives: Eagles by Sally Morgan. Teacher Created Resources, 2005.

This is a very easy-to-read informational book about eagles. It has "Eagle facts" on each page and includes a glossary. (RL 5.2)

Birds of Prey of the World by Robin Chittenden. St. Martin's Press, 2004.

An illustrated, easy-to-use Golden Guide includes information about birds of prey and descriptions of several species.

Eagles (Zoobooks Series) by John Bonnett Wexo. Wildlife Education, Limited, 1997.

Teachers familiar with *Zoobooks* will easily recognize this selection. It is an informative and educational book that includes activities for students to participate in hands-on learning. (RL 5.5)

Eyewitness: Eagles and Birds of Prey by Emma Parry-Jones. DK Publishing, Inc., 2000.

One of the beautiful DK Eyewitness books that has a wealth of information about eagles and birds of prey. (RL 6.6)

Falconry for Beginners: An Introduction to the Sport by Lee William Harris. Swan Hill Press, 2002.

This book introduces the reader to the sport of falconry that includes what one must know and the equipment and resources needed.

The Golden Eagle by John Love and Jeff Watson. Osprey Publishing, Limited, 1997.

A detailed, informative guide to golden eagles that includes information about distribution, persecution, diet, hunting techniques, breeding, and population. There are both color and black-and-white photographs.

Golden Eagle: Sovereign of the Skies by Charles R. Preston. Graphic Arts Center Publishing, 2004.

An informative book that relates the author's experience with the golden eagle. Its origin, hunting methods, reproductions, and migration are covered in this beautifully illustrated book with full-color photographs. **Please note that the book tells about the golden eagle evolving over millions of years.**

How to Draw Animals: Famous Artists School Step-by-Step Method edited by Walt Reed. Henry Holt and Company, Inc., 1990.

This book, created by a group of America's most eminent artists, has a section that shows how to draw birds. It includes birds at rest and flying. It also includes how to draw many other animals.

How to Spot Hawks and Eagles by Clay Sutton and Patricia Taylor Sutton. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 1996.

This lavishly photographed book explains what a raptor is and provides details on the different types of raptors and how to observe them. The second part of the book gives detailed species-by-species descriptions, maps, and migration routes.

A Photographic Guide to North American Raptors by Brian K. Wheeler and William S. Clark. Princeton University Press, 2003.

This guide, by two of the world's top experts on raptors, provides an essential guide to the variations in the species, allowing for easier recognition of key identification points when identifying these birds of prey. It is full of color photographs and has a wealth of information.

Taught by a Tiger

Curse-Proof! by Eric B. Hare. Pacific Press Publishing Association, 2007.

A never-before published book by Eric B. Hare. The handwritten manuscript was recently discovered by the family. Although some of the incidents have been mentioned in other volumes, this is the first time the full story of Maung Thein has been made available.

Fire on the Mountain by Norma Youngberg. Pacific Press Publishing Association, 2003.

The story of a Malaysian boy named Saksee who resists accepting God as his Savior, even though those around him are. This classic mission story relates the struggle between good and evil as Saksee eventually accepts Christ and his faith grows.

Jungle Heroes by Eric B. Hare. Pacific Press Publishing Association, 2005.

A collection of Eric B. Hare's favorite stories from the jungles of Burma (known today as Myanmar).

Just Plane Crazy by Melanie Bockman. Review and Herald Publishing, 2006.

The true story of three boys' summer adventures as they attempt to raise enough money to buy a mission plane.

Nyla and the White Crocodile by Norma Youngberg. Pacific Press Publishing Association, 1999.

A classic mission story from the jungles of Borneo that tells the story of the struggle between belief in evil spirits and the God of heaven.

AUDIO CDs/DVDs

Eric B. Hare Stories (Audio CDs), volumes 1-3 by Eric B. Hare. Pacific Press Publishing Association, 2004.

Favorite stories told by the master storyteller himself.

Piercing the Darkness (DVD) by Adventist Frontier Missions. Distributed by Pacific Press Publishing Association, 2007.

This documentary DVD shares the incredible story of how Brad and Cathie Jolly started the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Mongolia in 1990.

WEB SITE

Adventist Frontier Missions.
www.afmonline.org.

This website is a great place to find current missionaries and contact them by email. It also has an online edition of the organizations monthly magazine that outlines the mission work the missionaries are doing.

Heartbeat

The Bee Tree by Patricia Polacco. Penguin Group (USA), 1998.

Mary Ellen learns that the sweetest things must be worked for after Grandfather takes her on a hunt for a bee tree when she expresses boredom with her reading. Through this experience she learns the value of books. This is a great read-aloud. (RL 3.9)

Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis. Random House Children's Books, 2004.

This Newbery Medal and Coretta Scott King Award winning book tells the story of a motherless boy who leaves a bad foster home to search for the man he believes to be his father. Told in the first-person, it accurately portrays African-American life during the Great Depressions. (RL 5.0)

Chicken Sunday by Patricia Polacco. Penguin Group (USA), 1998

This book relates an entertaining memory from the author's childhood when two African-American neighbors adopt her into the family. The book chronicles her quest to buy Miss Eula the Easter hat she wants for church on Sunday. (RL 3.7)

Hairy, Scary, Ordinary: What is an Adjective? by Brian P. Cleary. Lerner Publishing Group, 2001.

Introduce adjectives to students in an entertaining way through this book that challenges them to write poems or rhymes about adjectives. **Please note that this book contains personification.** (RL 3.9)

Hate that Cat by Sharon Creech. HarperCollins Publishers, 2008.

Creech's follow-up to *Love that Dog* finds Jack back in Miss Stretchberry's classroom writing poetry about his dog, and not a cat that won't leave him alone. This volume continues to introduce the types of poetry that Jack writes as he keeps a diary of poems. **Please note that this book contains personification.** (RL 5.0)

A Kick in the Head: An Everyday Guide to Poetic Forms compiled by Paul B. Janeczko. Candlewick Press, 2009.

29 poetic forms are presented that shows the (sometimes bendable) rules of poetry and the spirit that brings these poems to life. Each poem represents a different poetic form, from the familiar to more obscure. (RL 6.0)

Loser by Jerry Spinelli. HarperCollins Publishers, 2003.

Even though his classmates from first grade on have considered him strange and a loser, Donald Zinkoff's optimism, exuberance, and the support of his loving family do not allow him to feel that way about himself. (RL4.3)

Love that Dog by Sharon Creech. HarperCollins Publishers, 2003.

Jack hates poetry because it is for girls. However, he comes to love poetry through a personal understanding of what different famous poems mean to him and surprises himself by writing his own inspired poem. **Please note that this book contains personification.** (RL 4.5)

Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, 1999.

After his parents die, Jeffrey Lionel Magee's life becomes legendary, as he accomplishes athletic and other feats which awe his contemporaries. But, his heart-of-gold shines as he attempts to right the wrongs he sees in his world while searching for a place where he belongs. (RL 4.7)

A Poke in the I: A Collection of Concrete Poems edited by Paul B. Janeczko. Candlewick Press, 2005.

A delightful introduction to concrete poetry includes 30 poems from some of the world's finest writers. There are also tips, guidelines, and inspirations for creating your own concrete poems.

Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse. Scholastic, Inc., 1999.

This Newbery Award winner which is written in free verse is set in the heart of the Great Depression. It chronicles Oklahoma's staggering dust storms, and the environmental—and emotional—turmoil they leave in their path. An unforgettable tribute to hope and inner strength. **Please note that the book is very descriptive and may not be appropriate for some classes.** (RL 5.3)

The Scholastic Rhyming Dictionary: Over 15,000 Words by Sue Daugherty Young. Scholastic, Inc., 1997.

A helpful book for students to use when writing poetry that rhymes. Words are listed alphabetically by endings, and even include a syllable count. This is an excellent resource.

The Wanderer by Sharon Creech.
HarperCollins Publishers, 2002.

Thirteen-year-old Sophie and her cousin Cody record their transatlantic crossing aboard the *Wanderer*, a forty-five foot sailboat, which, along with uncles and another cousin, is en route to visit their grandfather in England. **Please note that the book includes language and decision-making issues that are of concern.** (RL 5.2)

Under the Ice: A Marine Biologist at Work

Eyewitness: Arctic and Antarctic by Barbara Taylor. DK Publishing, Inc., 2000.

An exciting, informative guide to the vast, icy wastes at the ends of the earth. This book contains beautiful illustrations of the landscape and animals in these regions and covers the history and lifestyle. (RL 7.9)

How to Survive in Antarctica by Lucy Jane Bledsoe. Holiday House, Inc., 2006.

A wonderful introduction to the habitat beneath the Antarctic ice. Follow marine photographer Bill Curtsinger as he dives under the Antarctic ice to learn about the plants and animals that thrive in this extreme habitat. (RL 6.6)

Polar Explorers for Kids: Historic Expeditions to the Arctic and Antarctic with 21 Activities by Maxine Snowden. Chicago Review Press, Inc., 2003.

Describes the travels and adventures of Arctic and Antarctic explorers throughout history, from Erick the Red in 981 or 982 to Gretel Ehrlich in 2000. Contains a timeline of information on the exploration into these regions and also includes scientific bits of information. There are 21 activities that could be done at school. (RL 8.2)

Polar Regions by Jim Kerr. Heinemann Press, 2007.

This book unlocks the mysteries of the Arctic and Antarctic regions. It looks at expeditions to the North and South Poles and investigates how people and animals survive. It also covers why the sun continually shines.

Underwater Origami: Aquatic Paper Folding for Kids by Steve and Megumi Biddle. Barron's Educational Series, Inc., 2000.

18 fun-to-do projects are presented in the form of easy-to-follow, step-by-step instructions for making sea animals, plants, and a scuba diver.

DVD

The Blue Planet: Seas of Life (5 set DVD). BBC Warner, 2007.

This DVD set has two sections that are of particular interest in this theme: Ocean World and Frozen Seas. Both are excellent but the second one focuses on the Arctic regions.

WEB SITES

Students on Ice. www.studentsonice.com.

This is a program that offers expeditions to the Arctic and the Antarctic to foster understanding and respect for Earth. It contains pictures and news articles about students who have gone and information about upcoming expeditions. There are several expedition videos available for view on the site.

United States Antarctic Program.
www.usap.gov.

This website has lots of information and photographs of the regions and the research that is going on in the area.

A Single Shard

Bee-bim Bop by Linda Sue Park. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2008.

Bee-bim bop means “mix-mix rice. This picture book tells about preparing one of Korea’s most popular dishes. It ends with a recipe and cooking instructions. (RL 2.6)

Earthenware and Celadon: Handbook of Korean Art by Youngsook Pak and Roderick Whitfield. Laurence King Publishing, 2003.

This handbook features color photographs of pieces of earthenware and celadon from collections in Korea. Each piece is explained and appendices at the end show a chronological timeline, Korean kiln sites, and motifs popular on Korean pieces.

K is for Korea by Hyecheong Cheung and Prodeepta Das. Frances Lincoln Children’s Books, 2008.

This alphabet book introduces students to Korean culture in a simple format. Areas included are language, food, cities, and customs. **Please note that Buddhism and the afterlife of ancestors are mentioned.**

Korea: Land of the Morning Calm by Craig J. Brown. Periplus Editions (HK) Limited, 2006.

This book has beautiful full-color photographs of all aspects of Korean culture. Each photograph is accompanied by narration that explains the culture. **Please note that traditional Korean religions differ greatly from Seventh-day Adventism and many references are made to these beliefs. Also there are two instances where slang words or phrases appear.**

Land of Morning Calm: Korean Culture Then and Now by John Stickler. Shen’s Books, 2003.

An introduction to the culture and traditions of Korea, from ancient times to the present. This book has short excerpts about the beginnings, flag, alphabet, religious beliefs, celebrations, food, music, dance, and more. **Please note that traditional Korean religions differ greatly from Seventh-day Adventism and many references are made to these beliefs.** (RL 7.8)

Seesaw Girl by Linda Sue Park. Random House Children’s Books, 2001.

This book, by the same author as *A Single Shard*, tells the story of a young Korean girl who longs to go beyond the barriers that her culture has set for her. One day she sneaks out of the family compound to the marketplace. Eventually, she learns to accept her place. **Please note that there are references to luck, spirits, and ancestors in the Heavenly Kingdom.** (RL 5.7)

Wheel-Thrown Pottery: An Illustrated Guide of Basic Techniques from the Hit DIY Show Throwing Clay by Bill van Gilder and Cara Biasucci. Lark Books NC, 2006.

This book shows step-by-step instructions for making several projects on a pottery wheel. The illustrations show clearly what making pottery on a wheel is like.

DVD RESOURCE MATERIAL

Hidden Korea (DVD). PBS Home Video, 2000.

This DVD shares the ancient Korean culture in the modern world. Korean food and the preparation of it is a large part of the DVD, One section shows a potter making pieces on a wheel and an old-fashioned kiln. **Please note that the DVD mentions and describes the tradition of shamanism, Buddhism, and Confucianism.**

To Linger is to Die

Adolf Hitler by Katie Daynes. EDC Publishing, 2006.

This biography tells the story of how an unremarkable boy from rural Austria became the dictator who led Germany into a bloody world war and how his bitter determination led to destruction and his suicide. His self-centered, angry character is highlighted throughout the book which provides many opportunities for class discussion. Even though there is little in the book regarding the atrocities he was responsible for, this is an excellent summary that helps one understand his rise in the Nazi party. This book could be a read-aloud, research source, or reading workshop book.

The Diary of a Young Girl by Anne Frank. Bantam Books, 1993.

The journal of a Jewish girl in her early teens describes both the joys and torments of daily life, as well as typical adolescent thoughts, throughout two years spent in hiding with her family during the Nazi occupation of Holland.

Please note that several mature themes are found throughout the book. It is strongly suggested that the teacher read this book to determine its appropriateness for use in the classroom. (RL 6.5)

Eyewitness World War II by Simon Adams. DK Publishing, Inc., 2007.

This typical DK Eyewitness book provides useful information on World War II that can be used for research and background knowledge. (RL 8.3)

The Good Fight: How World War II Was Won by Stephen E. Ambrose. Simon & Schuster Adult Publishing Group, 2001.

This is an extraordinary chronicle of World War II for young readers written by one of the finest historians of our time. The book includes spectacular color and black-and-white photographs and key campaign and battle maps. Complex and multifaceted information is presented in a way that makes World War II understandable for young people. (RL 8.2)

Growing Up in World War II: 1941 to 1945 by Judith Pinkerton Josephson. Lerner Publications, 2003.

This book pieces together many primary sources to describe life for American children growing up during World War II. Written by a former elementary teacher, it is short, picture rich, and has large print making it less intimidating for reluctant readers. (RL 5.7)

The Hiding Place by Corrie Ten Boom. Bantam Books, 1984.

This true story of two sisters sent to a Nazi concentration camp for helping Jews tells how their faith helped them to overcome its horrors. This true story may be too intense for many readers. (RL 6.4)

Hitler Youth: Growing Up in Hitler's Shadow by Susan Campbell Bartoletti. Scholastic, Inc., 2005.

This Newbery Honor Book and Robert F. Sibert Honor Book show the widely varying perspectives of young people living in Germany during World War II. Seven million young people belonged to the Hitler Youth, some wholeheartedly believed the party propaganda, others became disillusioned and ended up fighting against Nazi policies. These stories told by various German youth, including those targeted by Hitler, show young people that their choices often have powerful results. (RL 7.8)

The House of Sixty Fathers by Meindert DeJohn. HarperCollins Publishers, 1987.

This Newbery Honor Book tells the story of a young Chinese boy who is separated from his family after they escape the Japanese. It tells the tale of his long and dangerous journey to reunite with his family. (RL 5.5)

Number the Stars by Lois Lowry. Random House Children's Books, 1990.

This John Newbery Medal winner tells the story of how ten-year-old Annemarie learns how to be brave and courageous when she helps shelter her Jewish friend from the Nazis in 1943 Nazi-occupied Denmark. (RL 4.5)

Snow Treasure by Marie McSwigan. Scholastic Inc., 1988.

In 1940, when the Nazi invasion of Norway reaches their village, twelve-year-old Peter and his friends use their sleds to transport nine million dollars worth of gold past the German soldiers to the harbor ready to take the gold for safekeeping in the United States. **Note: This book contains the word gee on several occasions.** (RL 5.3)

Surviving Hitler: A Boy in the Nazi Death Camps by Andrea Warren. HarperCollins Publishers, 2002.

The books tells the story of a Jewish boy living in Poland who is forced to work for the Nazis when Hitler invades his country and describes how he is torn from his family as they are herded into a concentration camp. The book depicts the fight for survival in the brutal camps. **Please note that the teacher should read this book to determine if it is appropriate for the classroom. Sensitive or young readers may find the book too disturbing to read.** (RL 6.1)

Survivors: True Stories of Children of the Holocaust by Allan Zullo and Mara Bovsun. Scholastic, Inc., 2005.

The stories of nine Jewish boys and girls who survived the Holocaust are related. This could be a good read aloud that would allow teachers to emphasize or omit certain aspects of the Holocaust. (RL 6.4)

A Thousand Shall Fall by Susi Hasel Mundy with Maylan Schurch. Review and Herald Publishing, 2001.

This book follows a German Adventist pastor and his family throughout World War II. It details the dangers and hardships the family faced while separated by war and shows how God intervened in their life. **Please note that one chapter tells about how God protected the family when enemy soldiers were raping women in a village. This may be too sensitive a topic for some students.**

The Upstairs Room by Johanna Reiss. HarperCollins Publishers, 1990.

This Newbery Honor Book tells the story of a Dutch Jewish girl who spent two-and-one-half years hiding in the upstairs bedroom of a farmer's house during World War II. This book describes what it was like for Jews who were never captured and interned and also helps readers understand why Jews did not flee Holland when there was time to evacuate. (RL 2.9)

When the Soldiers Were Gone by Vera W. Propp. Penguin Group (USA), 2001.

The story is told of how a young Jewish boy is hidden on a farm with a Christian family during World War II and how he discovers that he is Jewish and has another family when he is sent to live with them after the war. (RL 3.5)

World War II: The Events and Their Impact on Real People by Reg Grant. DK Publishing, Inc., 2008.

Beginning with the complex political and social circumstances that led to World War II, this volume comprehensively discusses the decisions made, battles fought, lives affected, and subsequent results of this war. It includes first-hand testimony of young soldiers who remember the front lines, as well as the wives, parents, and children left stateside. A 38 minute DVD is included and may be viewed in short chapters or in one sitting. **Please be aware that teachers should view the DVD and judiciously choose which parts to share. It should not be shared in a multi-grade classroom that includes young children.**

World War II for Kids: A History with 21 Activities by Richard Panchyk. Chicago Review Press, Inc., 2002.

Describes the causes and history of World War II that includes interviews with participants and suggested activities. (RL 8.3)

Gallaudet: Friend of the Deaf

ABC News Primetime Deaf Kids (DVD). Distributed by ABC News, 2007.

This ten-minute news clip from the television show "Primetime" tells the story of how profoundly deaf students in Oregon learn to speak with help from Baldi, a talking computer program whose lips, tongue, and jaw movements provide a near perfect copy of a human's

Alexander Graham Bell (History Maker Bios Series) by Stephanie Sammartino McPherson. Barnes and Noble, 2007.

This book provides a short, concise biography of Alexander Graham Bell that focuses on his invention of the telephone and his work with the deaf. (RL 4.4)

Alexander Graham Bell: Giving Voice to the World (Sterling Biographies Series) by Mary Kay Carson. Sterling Publishing, 2007.

This book provides an in-depth look at Bell's life and times; his journey from compassionate teacher to master inventor; his success in becoming the first to patent the telephone; and his other, less celebrated, but more important achievements.

American Sign Language the Easy Way, 2nd edition by David A. Stewart, Elizabeth Stewart, and Jessalyn Little. Barron's Educational Series, Inc., 2006.

This heavily illustrated book makes learning American Sign Language (ASL) easy. It is a useful guide for all who are interested in learning this language.

The Child's Book on the Fall of Man by Thomas H. Gallaudet. Solid Ground Christian Books, 2005.

Thomas Gallaudet wrote this book so that children can more easily understand the Bible. This volume which explores the temptation and fall of Adam and Eve gives insight and perspective into the mind of Gallaudet who desperately wanted to help the deaf survive in the world. **Please note that there are references to Sunday worship.**

The Child's Book on Repentance by Thomas H. Gallaudet. Solid Ground Christian Books, 2005.

Another volume written by Gallaudet to help children more easily understand the Bible. This book explores the concepts of sin, repentance, and forgiveness. It gives insight and perspective into the mind of Gallaudet who desperately wanted to help the deaf survive in the world and wanted children to develop a close relationship with God. **Please note that there are references to Sunday worship.**

Deaf Child Crossing by Marlee Matlin. Simon and Schuster Children's Publishing, 2004.

Despite the fact that Megan is deaf and Cindy can hear, the two girls become friends when Cindy moves into the neighborhood. However, their friendship is put to the test when they go to camp as they learn what it truly means to be a friend. **Please note that this book contains grammatical and syntax errors. The teacher should also review it before sharing it with the students.** (RL 4.3)

Deaf Culture Our Way: Anecdotes from the Deaf Community by Roy K. Holcomb, Samuel K. Holcomb, and Thomas K. Holcomb. Dawnsign Press, 1996.

This well-written book from this father and sons team provides memorable moments that enhance an understanding and empathy into how loss of hearing affects the individual.

Deaf in America: Voices from a Culture by Carol Padden and Tom Humphries. Harvard University Press, 1990.

Through the use of folklore, apocryphal stories, poetry, jokes, and discussion of split factions and advocacy organizations, the authors gracefully explain how the deaf culture works, what it means to its members, how they define themselves within it, and how they interact with the world outside. Teacher-read excerpts from this book assist students in grasping the term, "deaf culture."

Deaf like Me by Thomas S. Spradley and James P. Spradley. Gallaudet University Press, 1985.

This book chronicles Lynn's hard work learning to talk even though she is born deaf.

The Education of Laura Bridgman: First Deaf and Blind Person to Learn Language by Ernest Freeberg. Harvard University Press, 2002.

Laura Bridgman, all but forgotten today, was the first person deaf and blind person ever to learn language. This biography, set in the mid-nineteenth century, is both a success story of how a sightless and soundless girl gained contact with an ever-widening world, and also a cautionary tale about the way moral crusades and scientific progress can compromise each other.

Expanded Songs in Sign by S. Harold Collins. Garlic Press, 1998.

This book, part of a series, uses Signed English to teach eleven children's songs.

Gallaudet Survival Guide to Signing by Leonard G. Lane. Gallaudet University Press, 1990.

Clear illustrations of the most frequently used signs have made this the standard sign language book for more than 100,000 people. Its compact size makes it easy to carry.

A Guide to Deaf Ministry: Let's Sign Worthy of the Lord by DeAnn Sampley. Zondervan, 1990.

This book provides great insight into ministering to the deaf culture, not only as a part of the worship service, but to the community at large. It provides signs and information for ministering to the deaf during services. **Please note that this book is geared towards Sunday services but is quite adaptable to Sabbath services.**

Hurt Go Happy by Ginny Rorby. Tom Doherty Associates, LLC, 2007.

A complex, riveting story about deaf girl and a chimp who knows sign language is the theme of this book. Issues regarding parent-child relationships, animal testing, and the deaf culture are a part of the story. **Please note that one storyline involves a homeless stalker and another one discusses animal lab testing facilities.** (RL 5.2)

Inside Deaf Culture by Carol Padden and Tom Humphries. Trilateral, 2005.

The authors show how deaf people live historically, culturally, and linguistically complex lives. This volume illuminates moments in American Deaf history, from the nineteenth-century establishment of “institutions” to the twentieth century Deaf clubs, to Deaf people’s interaction with modern science and technologies that seek to eliminate deafness.

The Joy of Signing: The Illustrated Guide for Mastering Sign Language and the Manual Alphabet, 2nd edition by Lottie L. Riekehof. Gospel Publishing House, 1987.

In this standard work on sign language for the deaf, over 1500 signs have been clearly illustrated and are grouped by chapter into their natural categories. Line drawings and step-by-step descriptions of hand positions aid rapid learning.

Juliette Low (History Makers Biographies Series) by Susan Bivin Aller. 2007.

A biography of the founder of the Girl Scouts of America who lost most of her hearing on her wedding day but did not let that prevent her from making a difference and contribution to society. (RL 4.6)

My World’s View: Poetry of a Deaf Child by Stephen Michael Verigood. Publish American, 2002.

This book is written by a young man from two perspectives: with and without his hearing aid. He paints great word pictures and you can sense the struggles he faces as he views his two worlds.

Nobody’s Perfect by Marlee Matlin. Simon and Schuster Children’s Publishing, 2007.

This sequel to *Deaf Child Crossing* continues the story of Megan as she keeps learning about friendship and how everyone has their own differences and problems. (RL 4.9)

Religious Signing: A Comprehensive Guide for All Faiths by Elaine Costello. Bantam Books, 1997.

This is the first and only interdenominational guide to religious sign language. It is easy-to-use and descriptive.

Who Was Thomas Alva Edison? by Margaret Frith. Penguin Group (USA), 2005.

This entertaining biography provides background into why Thomas Edison became such a great inventor—his natural curiosity. There are a lot of illustrations to help the reader visualize what is read. (RL 5.3)

WEB SITE

www.aslpro.com

ALS Pro is a free online dictionary of over 7200 ASL signs.