



**BLACK HISTORY MONTH RESOURCES
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YOUNGER READERS

Poetry

Brooks, Gwendolyn	Bronzeville Boys and Girls	juv. 811.B873b
Bryan, Ashley	All Night, All Day: A Child's First Book of African-American Spirituals	juv.782.25.A416
Clifton, Lucille	Everett Anderson's 1 2 3	juv. C639e
Clifton, Lucille	Everett Anderson's Christmas coming	juv. 811.54 .C639e
Clifton, Lucille	Everett Anderson's friend	juv. C639ea
Clifton, Lucille	Everett Anderson's Year	juv. 811.54.C639ea
Clifton, Lucille	Some of the Days of Everett Anderson	juv. 811.54C639s
Doob, Leonard W.	Crocodile Has Me By the Leg: African Poems	juv. 811 D691c
Feelings, Tom	Soul looks back in wonder	juv. 811.54.S722
	Hip hop speaks to children : a celebration of poetry with a beat	juv. 811 .H6674
Hopkins, Lee Bennett.	I think I saw a snail;	juv. 811.5 .H794i
	young poems for city seasons	
Hughes, Langston	My People	juv.811.52.H893m
Hughes, Langston	Negro Speaks of Rivers	juv.811.52.H893n
Johnson, Angela	I Dream of Trains	juv. J56i
Johnson, Dinah	Black Magic	juv. 811.54.J663b
Lawrence, Jacob	Harriet and the Promised Land	juv.811.L421h
	My own song: and other poems	juv. 811 .M995
Myers, Christopher	Black Cat	juv.M9962b
	Palm of My Heart:	juv. 911.54.P171
	Poetry by African American Children	
Strickland, Dorothy and Strickland, Michael	Families: Poems Celebrating the African American Experience	juv. 811.08.F198

Biography and History

Adler, David A.	Martin Luther King, Jr.	juv.923.273.K53a
Adler, David A.	Picture Book of Harriet Tubman	juv. 920.7.T885a
Adler, David A	Satchel Paige: Don't Look Back	juv.927.96.P142a
Aliki	A weed is a flower	juv. 925 .C331br
Amenii, Nehprii	Memories of the Little Elephant	juv.A5113m
	(A lyrical imagining of the African history, the diaspora and slavery.)	
Bains, Rae	Martin Luther King	juv.923.273.K53b
Barbour, Karen	Mr. Williams	juv. 973.04.B239m
Belton, Sandra.	Pictures for Miss Josie	juv. B453p
Bolden, Tonya	Rock of Ages	juv.811.52.B687r
	(A poetic history of the Black Church.)	
Brewster, Hugh	The other Mozart : the life of the famous Chevalier de Saint- George	juv. 927.87 .S139b

Bridges, Ruby	Through my eyes	juv. 920.7.B851
Brimner, Larry Dane	We Are One: The Story of Bayard Rustin	Juv.920.71.R971b
Burleigh, Robert	Langston's Train Ride	juv.928.1.L2855b
Cline-Ransome, Lesa	Before There Was Mozart: The Story of Joseph Boulogne, Chevalier de Saint-George (Caution: Contains some historical inaccuracies about his father's lineage and identity. Hear his music on Naxos database search for Joseph Boulogne, Chevalier de Saint-Georges or at http://www.chevalierdesaintgeorge.com/music.html)	juv.927.87.S139c
Clinton, Catherine	Hold the Flag High	juv.973.7.C641h
Coleman, Evelyn	White socks only	juv. C692W
Dray, Philip	Yours for justice, Ida B. Wells : the daring life of a crusading journalist	juv. 923.6 .W456d
Edwards, Pamela Duncan	The Bus Ride That Changed History: The Story of Rosa Parks	juv.323.09.E265b
Evans, Shane W.	Underground; finding the Light to Freedom	juv.973.7.E92u
Everett, Gwen	Li'l Sis and Uncle Willie: a story based on the life And paintings of William H. Johnson	juv. 927.5.J71e
Farris, Christine King	March On!: The day My Brother Martin Changed the World	juv. 923.273.K53fa
Gayle, Sharon Shavers	Escape! (Underground Railroad)	juv.G2877e
Golenbock, Peter	Hank Aaron, Brave in Every Way	juv. 796.357.A113g 2001
Greenfield, Eloise	Africa Dream	juv.G813a
Haskins, Jim	Delivering Justice: W.W. Law and the fight for Civil rights	juv.923.6.L415h
Hubbard, Crystal	Last Black King of the Kentucky Derby	juv.798.4.H875L
Johnston, Johanna	Special Bravery (stories of brave African-Americans)	juv. 920.9.J72s
Joseph, Lynn	Fly Bessie Fly	juv.926.29.C629j
Jordan, June	Fannie Lou Hamer	juv. 324.H214j
King Farris, Christine	My Brother Martin	juv. 323.002.K521f 2003
Krull, Kathleen	Wilma Unlimited	juv.927.964.R917k
Lasky, Kathryn	Vision of Beauty: The Story of Sarah Breedlove Walker	juv.926.685.W177L
Lee, Spike and	Giant Steps to Change the World	juv.L4813g
Lee, Tonya Lewis		
Lindbergh, Reeve	Nobody owns the sky: The story of "Brave Bessie" Coleman	juv. 926.29.C692l
Lyons, Kelly Starling	One Million Men and Me	juv.L9913o
McDonough, Yona Zeldis	Sisters in Strength: American Women Who Made a Difference	juv.920.7.M135s
McGill, Alice	Molly Bannaky (story of Benjamin Banneker's grandmother)	juv. 920.7.B212m
McKissack, Pat	Goin' someplace special	juv. M1585G
Michelson, Richard	As Good As Anybody: Martin Luther King Jr. And Abraham Joshus Herschel's Amazing March Toward Freedom	juv.923.273.K53mi
Miller, William	Frederick Douglass: The Last Day of Slavery	juv. 923.673.D737m
Munoz Ryan, Pam	When Marian Sang	juv. 782.1.A548r 2002
Myers, Walter Dean	I've seen the Promised land: The Life of Martin Luther King	juv. 923.273.K53mw 2004
Napoli, Donna Jo	Mama Miti	juv.923.6.M111n
Nelson, Vaunda M.	Bad News for Outlaws: The remarkable Life of Bass Reeves, Deputy U.S. Marshal	juv.9290.9.R332n
Parks, Rosa	I Am Rosa Parks	juv.923.673.P252i

Patrick, Denise Lewis	A Lesson for Martin Luther King Jr.	juv.323.092.K521p
Pinkney, Andrea D.	Alvin Ailey	juv.927.91.a293P
Pinkney, Andrea D.	Duke Ellington	juv.927.8.E46p
Pinkney, Andrea D. & Pinkney, Brian	Boycott Blues: How Rosa Parks inspired a nation	juv.923.6.P255b
Pinkney, Andrea D. & Pinkney, Brian	Sojourner Truth's Step-Stomping Stride	juv.923.6.T874p
Pinkney, Brian	Hush, Little Baby	juv.782.42.P654h
Polacco, Patricia	John Philip Duck	Juv.P762j
Rappaport, Doreen	Freedom River	juv. 973.7115.P238r 2000
Raven, Margot Theis	Night Boat to Freedom (Based on WPA Slave Narratives)	juv.R252n
Shelton, Paula Young & Colon, Raul	Child of the Civil Rights Movement	juv.323.11.S545c
Walker, Alice	Langston Hughes, American Poet (Caution: Text contains the "n" word)	juv.818.52.W177L
Walter, Mildred Pitts	Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World	juv.W233j
Watkins, Angela Farris	My Uncle Martin's Big Heart	juv. 923.273.K53w
Weatherford, Carole B.	Jesse Owens: fastest man alive	juv. 927.96 .O97w
Weatherford, Carole B.	Michelle Obama: First Mom	juv.923.2.O12w
Weatherford, Carole B.	Oprah: The little speaker	juv.920.27.W7685o

Folktales and Historical Fiction

Bildner, Phil	Hallelujah Flight (Story of the first Transcontinental flight made by African American pilots in 1932.)	juv.B5952h
Birtha, Becky	Grandmama's Pride (Historical fiction about a young girl who visits her grandmother in the segregated South of the 1950's, and how learning to read changes her perception of the world around her.)	juv.B6195g
Curtis, Gavin	Batboy and the Violin	juv.C9785b
Evans, Freddi Williams	Hush Harbor: Praying in Secret	juv.E924h
Hamilton, Virginia	Drylongso (a mysterious boy helps a farm family during a drought in 1975.)	juv.H221d
Hamilton, Virginia	People Could fly: The Picture Book	juv.398.2.H221pe
Hegamin, Tonya Cherie	Most Loved in All the World: A Story of Freedom	juv.H4624m
Hopkinson, Deborah	Under the Quilt of Night	juv. H797u
Hamilton, Virginia	When Birds Could Talk and Bats Could Sing	juv.398.2.H221w
Hopkinson, Deborah	Band of Angels: A Story inspired by the Jubilee Singers	juv. .H797b
Howard, Elizabeth Fitzgerald	Virgie Goes to School With Us Boys	juv. H8485v
Keats, Ezra Jack	John Henry	juv.398.2K25j
Lees, Stewart	Runaway Jack	juv. L487r
Lowe, Patricia Tracy	Tale of Czar Saltan or the Prince and the Swan Princess Translation of Russian folktale by Alexander Pushkin)	juv.L913t
Littlesugar, Amy	Freedom School, Yes	juv. L781f
Littlesugar, Amy	Tree of Hope (Father of a little girl in Depression-era Harlem becomes an actor with the Lafayette Theater.)	juv. L781t
McDermott, Gerald	Anansi the Spider: a tale from the Ashanti	juv.398.2.M134a
Michelson, Richard	Busing Brewster	juv.M623b

	(Historical fiction about busing and school integration Caution: contains mild derogatory language.)	
Michelson, Richard	Happy Feet	juv.M623h
Mitchell, Margaree King	Granddaddy's Gift (A young African-American girl's grandfather tries to register to vote in the mid-century South)	Juv.M682g
Mitchell, Margaree King	Uncle Jed's Barbershop	juiv.M682u
Monjo, F.N.	Drinking Gourd	juv. M744d
	Nelson Mandela's Favorite African Folktales	juv.398.2.n432 2007
Polacco, Patricia	Pink and Say (Civil War story)	juv.P762p
Pinkney, Gloria	Back Home (autobiographical story of a girl's visit to relatives in North Carolina.)	juv. P654b
Ringgold, Faith	Bonjour, Lonnie	juv.R581b
San Souci, Robert D.	Cendrillon: a Caribbean Cinderella	juv. 398.2 .S229c
San Souci, Robert D.	Sukey and the Mermaid	juv. 398.21.S194s
San Souci, Robert D.	Secret of the Stones (An Arkansas folktale with ties to a tale told by the Luba and Lulua people of the Democratic Republic of the Congo.)	juv.398.21.S229ss
San Souci, Robert D.	Talking eggs: a folktale from the American South	juv. 398.2 .S229t
Siegelson, Kim L	In the time of the drums (Gullah folktale)	juv. S571I
Stauffacher, Sue	Bessie Smith and the Night Riders	juv.S798b
Stevens, Janet	Tops & Bottoms (Afro-American folktale)	juv.398.2.S844t
Watson, Renee	A Place Where Hurricanes Happen (Hurricane Katrina)	juv.W3416p
Weatherford, Carole B.	Champions on the Bench: The Cannon Street YMCA All-Stars (A champion little league team from South Carolina is not allowed to play during the 1950's.)	juv.W3265c
Woodson, Jacqueline	Coming On Home Soon	juv.W898c
Woodson, Jacqueline	Other Side (Story of two girls, neighbors, one black, one white in the time of segregation)	juv. W898o

Africa and African-American Heritage

Aardema, Verna	This for That: A Tonga Tale (Zambia)	juv.398.21A113th
Aardema, Verna	Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's ears	juv.398.2.A113w
	All the Pretty Little Horses: A Traditional Lullaby	juv. 784.4.A416
Belton, Sandra	Beauty, Her Basket	juv.B453b
Bynum, Eboni and Jackson, Roland	Jamari's Drum	Juv.B994j
Collier, Bryan	Uptown	juv.974.714.C699u
Daly, Niki	Pretty Salma: A Little Red Riding Hood Story from Africa (Ghana)	juv.398.21.D1535p
Diakit�, Baba Wagu�	Hatseller and the monkeys : A West African folktale	juv. 398.209 .D536
Feelings, Muriel L.	Jambo means hello; Swahili alphabet book	juv. 496.3 .F295j
Haley, Gail E.	A story, a story: an African tale	juv. H168s
Halfmann, Janet	Seven Miles to Freedom: the Robert Smalls Story	juv.923.2.S635h
Knight, Margy Burns and Mark Melnicove	Africa is Not a Country	juv.960.K692a 2000

Kurtz, Jane	Faraway Home (Ethiopian father tells his children about his childhood)	juv.K965f
McGill, Alice	In the Hollow of Your Hand: Slave Lullabies	juv.811.08.I35
Mollel, Tololwa M.	My rows and piles of coins	juv.M726m
Musgrove, Margaret	Ashanti to Zulu : African traditions	juv. 960 .M987a 1980
	Shake It To The One That You Love the Best:	juv.782.42.S296
	Play Songs and Lullabies from Black Musical Traditions	
Onyewfulu, Ifeoma	Welcome Dede!; An African Naming Ceremony	juv. 392.1.O598w
Robinson, Adjai	Femi and old grandaddie	juv.R6576f
Wisniewski, David	Sundiata	juv.397.21.W815s
Yarbrough, Camille	Cornrows	juv.Y263c