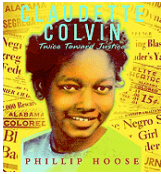


National Book Award for Young People's Literature

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Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice

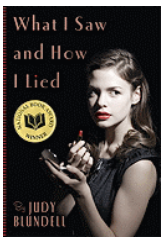
By [Hoose, Phillip M.](#)

2009-01 - Farrar Straus Giroux

9780374313227 [Check Our Catalog](#)

2009 National Book Award Winner-Young People's Literature

In March 1955, nine months before Rosa Parks triggered the bus boycott in Montgomery, Ala., by refusing to surrender her seat to a white passenger, a 15-year-old Montgomery girl, Claudette Colvin, let herself be arrested and dragged off the bus for the same reason. Investigating Colvin's actions, asking why Rosa Parks's role has overshadowed Colvin's, Hoose introduces readers to a resolute and courageous teenager and explores the politics of the NAACP and bus-boycott leadership. [...More](#)



What I Saw and How I Lied

By [Blundell, Judy](#)

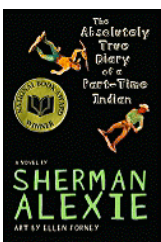
2008-11 - Scholastic Press

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2008 National Book Award- Winner for Young People's Literature

Evie Spooner's father returns home from World War II and brings more back with him than just good war stories. When handsome Peter Coleridge, a young ex-GI who had served in Joe Spooner's company in postwar Austria, shows up, Evie is suddenly caught in a complicated web of lies that she only slowly recognizes. [...More](#)



The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian

By [Alexie, Sherman](#)

Illustrator [Forney, Ellen](#)

2007-09 - Little, Brown Young Readers

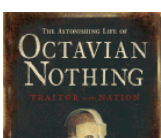
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2008 Boston Globe-Horn Book Award Winner

2008-2009 Tayshas Reading List

2007 National Book Award- Winner Young People's Literature

Based on the authors own experiences, this first young adult novel by bestselling author Alexie features poignant drawings by acclaimed artist Ellen Forney that reflect the characters art as it chronicles the contemporary adolescence of one Native American boy attempting to break away from the life he was destined to live. [...More](#)



The Astonishing Life of Octavian Nothing, Traitor to the Nation: Volume 1, the Pox Party

By [Anderson, M. T.](#)



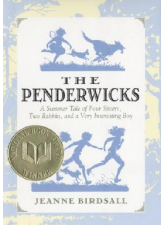
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2006-09 - Candlewick Press (MA)
0763624020 [Check Our Catalog](#)

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2007 Boston Globe/Horn Book Award Winner
2006 National Book Award for Youth Winner

Various diaries, letters, and other manuscripts chronicle the experiences of Octavian, a young African American, from birth to age 16, as he is brought up as part of a science experiment in the years leading up to and during the Revolutionary War.

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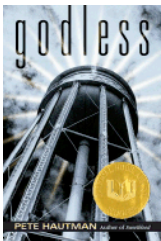
The Penderwicks: A Summer Tale of Four Sisters, Two Rabbits, and a Very Interesting Boy

By [Birdsall, Jeanne](#)
2005-06 - Alfred A. Knopf Books for Young Readers
0375831436 [Check Our Catalog](#)

This summer the Penderwick sisters have a wonderful surprise: a holiday on the grounds of a beautiful estate called Arundel. Soon they are busy discovering the summertime magic of Arundel's sprawling gardens, treasure-filled attic, tame rabbits, and the cook who makes the best gingerbread in Massachusetts. But the best discovery of all is Jeffrey Tifton, son of Arundel's owner, who quickly proves to be the perfect companion for their adventures.

The icy-hearted Mrs. Tifton is not as pleased with the Penderwicks as Jeffrey is, though, and warns the new friends to stay out of trouble. Which, of course, they will--won't they? One thing's for sure: it will be a summer the Penderwicks will never forget.

Deliciously nostalgic and quaintly witty, this is a story as breezy and carefree as a summer day. [...More](#)

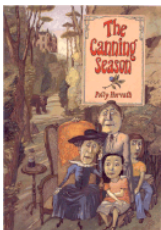


Godless

By [Hautman, Pete](#)
2004-06 - Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers
0689862784 [Check Our Catalog](#)

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Winner - 2004 National Book Award for Youth
Minnesota Book Award Winner - 2005 Young Adult Fiction & Poetry

As a joke, agnostic-going-on-atheist Jason Bock invents his own religion: the worship of his town's water tower. But what starts as a loose congregation of Jason's friend Shin and some classmates soon takes on a power of its own. [...More](#)

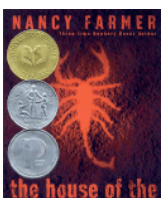


The Canning Season

By [Horvath, Polly](#)
2003-05 - Farrar Straus Giroux
0374399565 [Check Our Catalog](#)

Winner-2003 National Book Award for Youth

By turns dark and humorous, Horvath offers adolescent readers enough quirky characters and outrageous situations to leave them reeling. [...More](#)



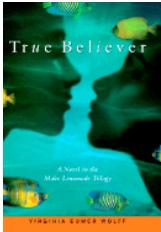
The House of the Scorpion

By [Farmer, Nancy](#)
2002-09 - Atheneum Books
0689852223 [Check Our Catalog](#)



2006 YHBA Winner
2005 Grand Canyon Reader Award Winner - Teen
2005 Sequoyah Young Adult Winner
2004 Rhode Island Teen Book Award Winner
2003 CCBC Choices
2002 National Book Award for Youth Winner

To most people around him, Matt is not a boy, but a beast. As Matt struggles to understand his existence, he is threatened by sinister characters. [...More](#)

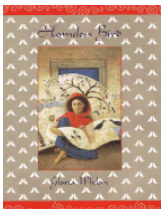


True Believer

By [Wolff, Virginia Euwer](#)
 2001-02 - Atheneum Books
 0689828276 [Check Our Catalog](#)

CCBC Choices - 2002
Winner - 2001 National Book Award for Youth

In this second novel of Wolff's "Make Lemonade" trilogy, 15-year old Verna LaVaughn is visited by Jody, a boy she knew as a child who comes back to the housing project where she lives. Jody behaves as if he's in love with her, but Jody is wrestling with questions of his own identity. [...More](#)



Homeless Bird

By [Whelan, Gloria](#)
 2000-03 - HarperCollins
 0060284528 [Check Our Catalog](#)

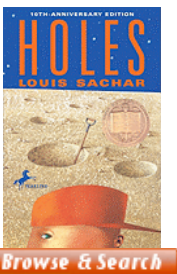
Winner - 2000 National Book Award for Youth

Like many girls her age in India, thirteen-year-old Koly is getting married. Full of hope and courage, she leaves home -- forever.

But there's been a terrible mistake. The husband chosen for her is too young, and he's very ill. And as tradition dictates, it's too late to turn back. On her wedding day, Koly's fate is sealed. Her future, it would seem, is lost.

Alive with the crush of marketplace crowds, the thick smell of funeral garlands, the cooling rush of the holy river Ganges, and the sting of injustice as a girl's life is forsaken, master storyteller Gloria Whelan transports readers into the heart of a gripping tale of hope. Here is a story of one rare young woman who, by standing against the powerful current of tradition, discovers her own remarkable future.

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Holes

By [Sachar, Louis](#)
 2000-05 - Yearling Books
 0440414806 [Check Our Catalog](#)

Winner - 1998 National Book Award for Youth
2000 Colorado Blue Spruce Award Winner

Stanley Yelnats tries to dig up the truth in this inventive and darkly humorous tale of crime and punishment-and redemption. [...More](#)