

**TriState Books of Note 2004 by the TriState Young Adult Review Committee**  
**TriState Young Adult Review Committee**

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The Tri State Young Adult Review Committee has been in existence for more than 35+ years. It has evolved over the decades into an organization comprised of dedicated professionals interested in evaluating new resources and sharing these findings with other professionals in the field. The committee is a fluid group that represents public schools, public libraries, and private schools in the Tri-State area of Pennsylvania, Delaware, and New Jersey. It meets several times throughout the year to share their evaluations with each other and compile their Books of Note list.

The committee is supported by a large number of publishers that send books and materials for review and evaluation. The opinions and reviews are then shared with the companies involved. The companies are able to utilize these reviews and comments to publicize their books. Each year the committee compiles a list of the best books from their collective readings and reviews.

**Books of Note** is the title of this list. For a book to be included in this list it must be read and recommended as a notable book by an individual reader. Then a second evaluator must also agree that the book qualifies for the booklist. The list itself is not a be all end all because there are many good books that do not come through our channel. It is not meant to be a book list of exclusion, merely a listing to be shared with professionals or interested educators, etc. that would like to have some guidelines in choosing materials for school students and curricula.

The format of the list is quite simple. The basic entry includes: level (elementary, middle, high school), author, title, copyright, publisher, ISBN #, price, pages, and reviewer's code, brief summary of book.

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- \* ms/hs Beller, Susan **Yankee Doodle and the Redcoats** SO,LM  
 This book provides a look at the American Revolution expanded through the first person accounts of the ordinary people, Patriot and Loyalist, American and French, British and Hessian, men and women, who played parts in the conflict through the use of primary source materials.
- \* ms/jr Bernard, Catherine **Celtic Mythology** SVC,IG  
 Enslow 2003 104p 24.95 0-7660-22048 Mythology (Enslow)  
 Written for young adults these classic legends arose from great founding cultures of European civilizations. Their origins can be traced back to the second millennium B.C. Celtic Mythology is the perfect introduction for young contemporary readers to the body of folklore and myths that characterized the Celtic people.
- ms/jr Blake, Quentin **Tell Me A Picture** LM,SO  
 Millbrook Press/21st Century/Copper Beech 2003 128p 22.90 0-7613-2748-7  
 Twenty six pictures with stories attached have been selected by the author. Blake's character drawings on each page ask questions pointing out details to the readers whose imagination does the rest.
- ms/hs Blashfield, Jean F. **Interpol** LMN,MT,TW  
 Gareth Stevens/World Almanac 2004 48 29.26 0-8368-5520-5  
 International Organizations (WAL)  
 Describes the history and function of Interpol including brief synopsis of famous cases.
- ms/hs Borchardt, Alice **Raven Warrior** SVC,PN  
 Random House/Knopf/Anchor/Three Rivers 2003 470p 22.95 0-345-44401-9  
 Alice Borchardt takes us back to the amazing world of a re-envisioned Camelot in the continuing Tales of Guinevere. Alice Borchardt is earning the reputation as the twenty-first century Arthurian bard with tales like the Dragon Queen and now Raven Warrior. The Raven Warrior is told from the perspective of Guinevere though the readers also follow the adventures of Black Leg.
- ms/hs Borenstein, Gerri C. **Therapy** LMN,MT  
 Franklin Watts see Scholastic 2003 79p 17.00 0-531-12269-7 Lifebalance (Watts)  
 Discusses the reasons to seek psychotherapy and what happens in every step of the process.
- \* hs/adult Boyson, Bill **A Short History of Nearly Everything** PN,JP  
 Broadway Books 2003 544p 27.50 0-7679-0817-1  
 The author on what happened to get us from nothingness to where we are today as homo sapiens. The book is written with his distinctive style and wit.
- \* ms/jr Brennan, Herbie **Faerie Wars** LM,SO  
 Bloomsbury see St. Martins 2003 368p 17.95 1-58234-810-3  
 Henry Atherton has family problems. He befriends an old Mr. Fogarty with his housework. Both of their lives change drastically when they a fairy named Prince Pyrgus Malvae.
- hs Brooks, Terry **Sometimes the Magic Works:Lessons From A Writing Life** PN,SO  
 Random House/Doubleday/Ballantine 2003 197p 22.95 0-345-45808  
 Advice and anecdotes from one of the world's premier writers of fantasy. Terry Brooks, best known as the author of the Shannara fantasy series, shares his personal experiences and lesson with aspiring writers.
- hs Campbell, Geoffrey A. **Lindbergh Kidnapping** LMN,IG  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent 2003 96p 27.45 1-59018-267-7  
 Famous Trials  
 Describes the kidnapping of the infant son of Charles Lindbergh, his death, and the trial of Bruno Richard Hauptmann, the accused kidnapper.
- \* ms/hs Caravantes, Peggy **An American in Texas: Story of Sam Houston** MT,NG  
 Morgan Reynolds 2003 144p 21.95 1-931798-19-2 Notable Americans (Morgan)



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This book offers an excellent explanation of Judaism. It is a useful and attractive resource that is well organized and clearly written. The information is presented in an objective manner, using both primary and secondary source quotations to support the text with interesting sidebars, black-and-white photographs, maps, and illustrations as well.

ms Corrick, James **The Civil War** SO,CFM  
Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent 2003 126p 27.45 1-59018-181-6

World history

The Civil War was the most destructive war that the United States has fought with more than 600,000 dead, almost 500,000 wounded, and widespread destruction throughout the South. This book explores the problems and issues that led the country into war.

hs Crompton, Samuel Willard **Gouverneur Morris** SVC,IG  
Enslow 2004 128p 20.95 0-7660-2213-7 America's Founding Fathers (Enslow)

This title is well-written and aptly describes Gouverneur Morris an active member in the Federal Constitutional Convention of 1787 and the writer of the final draft of the constitution.

\* ms/hs Crutcher, Chris **King of the Mild Frontier** TW,JS  
Harper Collins(Trophy)/Avon/Greenwillow 2003 260p 16.99 0-06-050249-5

Autobiography of author Crutcher gives insight into some of the characters and incidents in his novels. Hysterically funny in parts and heartbreaking in others as Crutcher writes about his crybaby childhood and geeky adolescence as well as his work with abused individuals, this book will be a welcome addition in all school biography sections.

ms/hs Curley, Marianne **The dark** SO,LM  
St. Martin's Press/Bloomsbury 2003 334p 16.95 1-58234-853-7 Guardians of time

In this second book in the series, Ethan, Isabel, and Isabel's brother Matt, the newest member of the Guardians of Time, must rescue their mentor Arkadian from the evil Goddess of Chaos and protect the world from evil.

ms Cushman, Karen **Rodzina** MJ,NG,IG,SO  
Clarion see Houghton Mifflin 2003 215p 16.00 0-618-13351-8

Set in 1881, Rodzina, 12, is placed on the orphan train from Chicago to California to be hopefully adopted by a loving family.

\* ms/hs Davis, Rebecca Fjelland **Jake Riley; irreparably damaged** TW,LMN  
Harper Collins/Tempest 2003 265p 15.99 0-06-051837-5

Lainie, a ninth grader in a rural school district, learns that her new neighbor, Jake, is labeled "irreparably damaged". During their very complicated friendship, Lainie learns more about him and waivers between feeling sorry for him and fearing his actions toward her. A coming of age story and as well as a psychological thriller.

elm/ms DeAngelis, Therese **Blackout: Cities in Darkness** LM,SO  
Enslow 2003 48p 18.95 0-7660-2110-6 American Disasters\* (Enslow)

This clear, concise, and easy to read text explains the causes and effects of several major blackouts in the US from 1965 to 2001.

\* ms DeFelice, Cynthia **Under the Same Sky** IG,MJ  
Farrar Strauss 2003 215p 16.00 0-374-38032-5

Joe wants a motorbike for his 14th birthday and his father says he will have to earn it working with the Mexican hands on his father's vegetable farm. The summer proves very enlightening in learning about real work and prejudice against migrant workers.

\* ms Divakaruni, Chitra Banerjee **Conch Bearer** MJ,NG  
Millbrook Press/21st Century/Copper Beech 2003 265p 16.95 0-7613-2793-2

A fantasy set in India. Twelve year-old Anand becomes the bearer of a magical conch shell and tries to return it to its rightful owners before thieves obtain its magic.

all ages DK **State-by-State Atlas** LM,SO  
DK 2003 128p 19.99 0-7894-9257-1

In addition to being an atlas, this book explains to young geographers the who, what, when, where, and why of each state.

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\* all ages Dorling Kindersley **e.encyclopedia** LM,SO  
 DK 2003 448p 39.99 0-7894-9869-3

This book will meet the informational needs of the entire family. DK Publishing and Google have teamed up to provide parents with reliable resources. The web site features more than 2,000 full-color images, the book covers nine major subject areas: Space, Earth, Nature, Human Body, Science and Technology, People and Places, Society and Beliefs, Arts and Entertainment, and History.

jr/sr Dudley, William **Education and College** PN,JP  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent 2003 176p 31.20 0-7377-1260-0

Tech Decisions (Gale/Greenhaven)

Part of the Teen Decisions series, this book covers four broad topics: surviving high school, selecting the right college, getting into college, and choosing an alternative to four-year college. The chapters include articles reprinted from newspapers, magazines, and books that focus on related subjects. Charts, graphs, and illustrations appear throughout.

jr/sr Dudley, William **Reconstruction** PN,JP  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent 2003 112p 27.45 1-59018-099-2

At Issue (Gale/Greenhaven)

Original source documents from the 19th-century examine the debate concerning the Reconstruction of the South after the Civil War. Articles have opinions from diverse voices, including those of President Abraham Lincoln, the Radical Republicans in Congress, Thaddeus Stevens, and President Andrew Johnson. A 19th-century opposing viewpoints.

jr/sr Dudley, William **Should There Be Limits To Free Speech** SVC,LM,NG  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent 2003 95p 18.95 0-7377-1429-8

At Issue (Gale/Greenhaven)

Should There Be Limits to Free Speech? includes primary and secondary sources from a variety of perspectives - eyewitnesses, scientific journals, government officials, and many others. The series is an excellent research tool

\* ms/hs Dumas, Alexandre **The Knight of Maison-Rouge** SVC,IG  
 Modern Library see Random 2003 423p 24.95 0-679-64298-6

This new translation is filled with surprising adventure, conspiracies, sword playing and romance. The author has woven the French Revolution, the imprisoned Marie Antoinette, and the fearless Knight of Maison-Rouge into a setting to produce an exciting, suspenseful novel.

ms/hs editors of Blackbirch Press **Visual Reference of the United States** LM,SO  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent 2003 336p 37.45 1-56711-656-0

Blackbirch Press Visual Enc. (Gale)

An alphabetical presentation of statistics for each state of the United States of America.

ms Ellis, Deborah **Mud City** MJ,SO  
 Greenwood see Douglas McIntyre 2003 164p 5.95 0-88899-518-0

Breadwinner Third in the Breadwinner trilogy. This adventure follows Parvana's friend Shawzia, 14, as she tries to survive in a refugee camp built of mud in Pakistan.

ms/jr Ford, Carin **Dr. Seuss Best-Loved Author** SVC,LM  
 Enslow 2003 112 p 18.75 0766021068 People To Know#4 (Enslow)

A biography of the author Theodor Geisel, Dr Seuss whose strange and wonderful creatures along with fantasy and rhyme was a combination that delivered not moral messages to children, but fun. Geisel worked painstakingly on the drawings, the text, and the humor.

ms/jr Foreman, Wilmoth **Summer of the Skunks** SVC,LM  
 Front Street Books 2003 160p 15.95 1-886910-80-4-51595

Tells the story of Jill, her brothers, sister, and parents and their life on a southern farm in the late 1940s.

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ms/hs Foster, Alan Dean **Flinx's Folly** LM,SO  
 Random House/Doubleday/Ballantine 2003 268p 24.95 0-345-45038-8  
 In his eighth novel about Flinx (a.k.a. telepath Philip Lynx) and his Alaspinian flying snake (or minidrag) Pip the readers will find Flinx reunited with an old friend Clarity Held. It is a story where Flinx tries to unravel the mysteries of his mind and body.

ms/hs Foster, Alan Dean **Orphan Star** LM,SO  
 Random House/Doubleday/Ballantine 2003 232p 6.99 0-345-46104-5  
 In an early novel (1977) about Flinx (a.k.a. telepath Philip Lynx) and his Alaspinian flying snake (or minidrag) Pip the readers will find Flinx learning about the curious gift his parents have left him. It is a story where Flinx tries to unravel the truth about the powers of his mind and body.

ms/jr Fradin, Dennis and Judith **Fight On** MJ,SO  
 Clarion see Houghton Mifflin 2003 181p 17.00 0-618-13349-6  
 Survey of the life of Mary Church Terrell, the African-American educator and fighter for the civil rights of blacks in the 1950's.

\* hs Frost, Helen **Keesha's House** TW,MD  
 Farrar Strauss 2003 116p 16.00 0-374-34064-1  
 Homeless teens tell their heart wrenching stories in poetic form tied together by a house that Keesha has found that takes them in, no questions asked.

\* elem Gaimen, Neil **Wolves in the Wall** MD,LM  
 Harper Collins (Trophy)/ Avon/ Greenwillow 2003 51p 16.99 0-3809-7827-X  
 Lucy hears scratching in the walls. It is a hustling, crackling, creeping, crumpling noise. That's when she realizes there are wolves inside her walls.

ms/hs Garty, Judy **Techniques of Marching Band** (Let's Go Team series) LMN,SO,CFM  
 Mason Crest Publishers 2003 64p 19.95 1-59084-538-2  
 This book covers the terms used by marching bands and the moves made by a marching band unit including color guard. Describes the life of a band member focusing on team work.

\* hs Gaughen, Shasta,ed. **Witness To Our Times:My Life As A Photojournalist** Cricket/Carus  
 Pub. 2003 128p 19.95 0-8126-2682-6 IG,LM  
 Witness to Our Times is a well-written and interesting biography of the remarkable, award-winning photojournalist, Flip Schukle written with Matt Schudel. The life and times of Flip Schukle is documented through the many photographs that are in the book.

hs Gemmell, David **White Wolf** CFM,PN  
 Ballantine see Random 2003 416p 24.95 0-345-45831-1  
 "Two lone warriors, the living legend known as Druss, and the tortured Skilgannon, form an unlikely alliance to fight the supernatural threat of the Joinings, and soon grow to become friends." Skilgannon, horrified at his part in a savage attack on a city, has spent three years in a monastery, only to be plagued by the dreams of a white wolf.

ms/hs Giles, Gail **Dead Girls Don't Write Letters** MD,MT  
 Roaring Press see Millbrook 2003 144p 22.90 0-7613-2813-0  
 Sunny Reynolds is content with life if not happy and then she gets a letter from her dead sister.

ms/hs Gold, Susan Dudley **Gun Control** TW,MD  
 Marshall Cavendish/Benchmark 2004 143p 37.07 0-7614-1586-X Open for Debate (MC/BB)  
 This is a timely comprehensive book about the controversial issue of gun control. It presents varied viewpoints and includes a history of the subject, statistics, legal cases, and often makes reference to gun control in relation to teens.

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ms/hs Gottfried, Ted **Homeland Security versus Constitutional Rights** LM,SO  
 Millbrook Press/21st Century/Copper Beech 2003 128p 24.90 0-7613-2862-9  
 After the attack on the World Trade towers (9/11/2001) the government took measures to insure the safety of Americans. This book deals with the constitutionality of these measures in a very informative text.

ms Gow, Mary **Johannes Kepler** SO,CFM  
 Enslow 2003 128p 20.95 0-7660-2098-3 Great Minds of Science\*  
 (Enslow)  
 This biography provides an account of the life of Johannes Kepler, the astronomer and mathematician who formulated the three laws of planetary motion and changed the science of astronomy.

\* elm/ms Grahame, Deborah **Unicef** MT,LMN,TW  
 World Almanac see Gareth Stevens 2004 48p 21.95 0-8368-5522-1 International Organizations  
 (WAL)Describes the founding, the mission, the operation, and the major campaigns of the United Nations Children's Fund commonly known as UNICEF.

\* elm/ms Grahame, Deborah **World Health Organizations** MT,LMN,TW  
 World Almanac see Gareth Stevens 2004 48p 21.95 0-8368-5524-8 International Organizations  
 (WAL)Describes the founding, development, and operation of the World Health Organization, and its focus on immunization, disease prevention and treatment, environmental sanitation and nutrition, and mother and child health.

ms/hs Graves, Karen Marie **Abraham Lincoln** CFM,SO  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent 2003 128p 27.45 1-56006-965-1 Importance Of,  
 The"Profiles the sixteenth president of the United States, whose life and accomplishments were founded on his firm commitment to the words of the Declaration of Independence."

jr/sr Greensberg, Jan **Runaway Girl** MD,TW  
 Abrams 2003 80p 19.95 0-8109-4237-2  
 Louise Bourgeois is an artist who has stepped out of her time and has created sculptures that will intrigue, repulse, soothe and reveal family secrets. Her art forms were shaped by her family memories and background.

\* hs Gregory, Julie **Sickened: The Memoir of a Munchausen by Proxy Childhood** LMN,CFM  
 Bantam 2003 244p 24.95 0-553-80307-7  
 Julie Gregory writes of her life as a Munchausen by Proxy victim. This form of child abuse, though rare, devastated her life. With difficulty she has moved into a healthy adulthood.

\* hs Haddon, Mark **The Curious Incident of the dog in the Nighttime** TW,JS  
 Random House/Doubleday/Ballantine 2003 226p 22.95 0-385-50945  
 Teen with autism narrates how he tries to solve the mysterious murder of a dog; all within the context of his emotional detachment of his daily life.

\* ms/jr Hahn, Mary Downing **Hear the Wind Blow** LM,SVC  
 Clarion see Houghton Mifflin 2003 212p 15.00 0-618-18190-3  
 With their mother dead and their home burned, a thirteen-year-old boy and his little sister set out across Virginia in search of relatives during the final days of the Civil War.

ms Hale, Shannon **Goose girl** SO,LM,NG  
 Bloomsbury see St. Martins 2003 383p 17.95 1-5823-4843-X  
 On her way to marry a prince she's never met, Princess Anidori is betrayed by her guards and her lady-in-waiting and must become a goose girl to survive until she can reveal her true identity and reclaim the crown that is rightfully hers. This fairy tale adaptation of the Grimm's tale is very well done with three-dimensional characters and an engaging plot.

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- ms/hs Hansen, Joyce **Freedom Roads** MD,all  
 Cricket/Carus Pub. 2003 164p 18.95 0-81262-673-7  
 Exploring the many different ways of uncovering the truth and secrets of the "underground railroad".
- jr/sr Harik, Ramsay Marston **Women In the Middle East: Tradition and Change** MJ,LM  
 Franklin Watts 2003 192p 29.50 0-531-12222-0  
 Revised edition of a 1996 book showing the changing role of women in the Middle East as they also try to adhere to Muslim traditions.
- \* Harrar, George **Not as Crazy as I Seem** PN,LMN  
 Houghton Mifflin/Clarion 2003 202p 15.00 0-618-26365-9  
 Fifteen-year-old Devon doesn't quite fit in at a new prestigious prep school. For one thing, he is plagued by compulsions such as the need to sort things into groups of four. He goes with his friend Ben into the school after hours, and is blamed for his friend's vandalism spree. In the end, Devon must come to deal with the roots of his obsessive-compulsive disorder.
- \* ms/hs Harris, Nancy & Lynn Armstrong **Volcanoes** MT,NG  
 Greenhaven Press see Gale 2003 122p 28.70 0-7377-1439-5 Great Disasters(Gale)  
 A collection of articles on the scientific study of volcanoes, their disastrous eruptions, and how scientists are working to predict and alert people in the future in order to save lives, and property.
- hs Hartinger, Brent **Geography Club** MJ,PN  
 Harper Collins 2003 226p 15.99 0-06-001221-8  
 Gay high school students form the "Geography Club" in order to have a support group and form a social bond.
- ms/hs Hatt, Christine **Mao Zedong** TW,LMN  
 World Almanac see Gareth Stevens 2003 64p 29.26 0-8368-5536-1 Judge for yourself...  
 Fact-filled biography of China's former leader with a series of questions that allow readers to decide if his policies were successes or failures.
- jr/sr Haugen, David M. **Primary Sources** MD  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent 2003 127p 27.45 1-5901-8238-3  
 A collection of primary sources about the American revolution.
- \* hs Hay, Jeff T. **A History of the Third Reich (Volume 1 & 2)** CFM,SO  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent 2003 256p 75.00ea 0-7377-1116-7  
 A comprehensive four volume set on the history of the Third Reich. Everything related to this historic movement is explained and investigated in detail.
- ms/hs Hinds, Kathryn **Church, The** SVC,SO  
 Benchmark see Marshall Cavendish 2004 93p 20.95 0-7614-1679-X Life in the Renaissance  
 (MC/BB)A description of the religious controversies of the Renaissance and Reformation with a focus on what life was like for ordinary people, both Catholic and Protestant.
- \* ms/jr Hobbs, Will **Jackie's Wild Seattle** LM,SO  
 Harper Collins(Trophy)/Avon/Greenwillow 2003 200p 15.99 0-688-17474-4  
 Shannon and her younger brother, Cody, spend the summer in Seattle, Washington while their parents work with "Doctors without Borders" in Afghanistan.
- \* ms/hs Hoffman, Mary **City of Stars** SO,LM  
 St. Martin's Press/Bloomsbury 2003 453p 17.95 1-58234-839-1 Stravaganza  
 In this sequel to City of Masks, fifteen-year-old Georgia is living in London with her mother, stepfather, and stepbrother. She buys an antique figurine of a winged horse which becomes her talisman to the world of the Stravagantis. There she finds adventure, political intrigues, mystery, a sixteenth century background, and a little romance into this very well-done fantasy.

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- ms/jr Horn, Geoffrey **Constitution** MJ,NG  
 World Almanac see Gareth Stevens 2004 48p 29.26 0-8368-5477-2 Library of American Government (WAL)  
 Covers the Constitution of the US, how it was formed, the concept of federalism, the question of slavery and how the Constitution manifests itself in American life.
- \* ms/hs Hunter Erin **Warriors: Forests of Secrets** SO,LM  
 Harper Collins(Trophy)/Avon/Greenwillow 2003 312p 15.99 0-06-000004-X  
 This is a story of a forest that is home to four distinct clans of cats. Fireheart of Thunderclan is determined to find out the truth about another cat's death. It is a story of loyalties, friendships, and clan rivalries.
- \* ms Hunter, Erin **Warriors:Into the wild** SO,LM  
 Harper Collins/Joanna Cotler 2003 272p 15.99 0-06-000002-3 Warriors  
 This is the first volume of a series that is reminiscent of Jacques' Redwall series. Rusty, a "kittypet," has joined ThunderClan, one of the clans of wild cats in the forest to help them survive the attacks of another group called ShadowClan.
- hs Huntington, Geoffrey **Demon Witch: Book 2** MD,TW  
 Harper Collins/Joanna Cotler 2003 276p 17.95 0-0600-1427-X Ravenscliff series  
 The second book in the series of the Sorcerers of the nightwing.
- \* ms/jr Hyde, Margaret **Diabetes** IG,SVC,  
 Franklin Watts see Scholastic 2004 96p 8.95 0-531-12209-3 Lifebalance (Watts)  
 Discusses what one needs to successfully manage diabetes, the latest medical breakthroughs, including cutting-edge research involving DNA manipulation, stem cells, islet transplants, and the creation of an artificial pancreas.
- \* hs Hyde, Margaret O. **Drugs 101 : an Overview for Teens** CFM,LM  
 Millbrook Press/21st Century/Copper Beech 2003 159p 25.90 0-7613-2608-1  
 Provides an overview of drugs and drug abuse. Includes information on addiction, club drugs, prescription drugs, inhalants, prevention, treatment, and legalization.
- ms Jinks, Catherine **Pagan's Crusade** SO,NG  
 Candlewick Press 1992/2003 248p 15.99 0-7636-2019-X  
 Pagan Kidrouk, sixteen-year-old orphan and smart-mouth extraordinaire, has ended up on the wrong side of a bad bet. In order to escape the consequences, he joins the Templars in twelfth century Jerusalem and becomes the squire to the noble Sir Roland and begins a series of wild adventures.
- hs Johnson, Kathleen Jeffrie **Target** TW,MD  
 Millbrook/Roaring Press 2003 192p 22.90 0-7613-2790-8  
 Grady moves to a new high school to hide his brutal rape by two strangers and has to deal with his anorexia and his own silence. Two friends are finally able to draw the real Grady out from his shell and with their support he begins to heal.
- ms/hs Jones, Diana Wynne **The Merlin conspiracy** SO,LM  
 Harper Collins(Trophy)/Avon/Greenwillow 2003 468p 16.99 0-06-052318-2  
 Set in the magical kingdom called the Islands of Blest, an alternate-world England where evil wizards are trying to upset the balance of magic, this wonderful fantasy is told by the alternating voices of the two main characters who come from different places in the multiverse.
- secondary Judson, Karen **Chemical & Biological Warfare** MD,TW  
 Marshall Cavendish/Benchmark 2004 140p 37.00 0-7614-1585-8 Open for Debate (MC/BB)  
 The exploration of biological warfare and it's terrible effects on humans.
- jr/sr Kent, Deborah **Snake Pits, Talking Cures and Magic Bullets** MJ,MD  
 Millbrook Press/21st Century/Copper Beech 2003 160p 26.90 0-7613-2704-5  
 Covers the history of the treatment of mental illness.



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- elm/ms Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth **Paul Revere's Ride** LM,SO  
 Boyd's Mill 2003 unp 16.95 1-56397-799-0  
 An illustrated version of Longfellow's classic poem, Paul Revere's Ride.
- \* ms/hs Lowry, Lois **The Silent Boy** CFM,SO  
 Houghton Mifflin/Clarion 2003 178p 15.00 0-618-28231-9  
 "Katy, the precocious ten-year-old daughter of the town doctor, befriends a retarded boy."
- ms/hs Mallardi, Amulya **The Mango Season** MD,PN  
 Ballantine see Random 2003 229p 23.00 0-345-45030-2  
 An engaging story of a Southern India woman who has immigrated to the United States looking for the freedom to be who she wants to be.
- hs Marin, Reva **Oscar: The Life and Music of Oscar Peterson** TW,MD  
 Greenwood see Douglas McIntyre 2004 144p 19.95 0-88899-537-7  
 This biography of the leading jazz pianist also describes some of the concepts and techniques instrumental in his music.
- hs Marriner, Mike and Nathan Gebhard with Joanne Gordon **Roadtrip Nation** PN,TW  
 Ballantine see Random 2003 248p 13.95 0-345-4601-3-8  
 Two college students travel across the United States, in search of career paths, interviewing successful career people, from presidents of corporations like Starbucks to a lobster fisherman in Maine.
- ms/hs Martin, Michael J. **The Wright Brothers** CFM,SO  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent 2003 128p 24.40 1-56006-847-7 Importance of,  
 The "Chronicles the lives of Orville and Wilbur Wright, describing their family life, their road to fame as the world's first pilots, and their important role in history."
- hs Martin, Nora **A Perfect Snow** MJ,CFM  
 St. Martin's Press 2002 144p 16.95 1-58234-788-3  
 A novel that explores the world of hate crimes and racism as Ben Campbell and his family become involved in a white supremacist group.
- \* ms/jr Martin, Nora **Flight of the Fisherbird** LM,SO  
 Bloomsbury see St. Martins 2003 150p 16.95 1-58234-814-6  
 This historical(1889) novel will help the readers understand the history and beauty of the San Juan Islands just off Washington State's coastline.
- hs Marvel, Laura **Readings on Billy Budd** CFM,SO  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent 2003 186p 22.45 0-7377-0430-6 Literary Companion Series  
 "Presents seventeen works of criticism on Herman Melville's story, "Billy Budd," discussing its plot, characters, themes, and interpretations."
- jr/sr Maurer, Richard **The Wright Sister** SVC,MT  
 Roaring Press see Millbrook 2003 127p 18.95 0-7613-154-  
 Maurer's account of this little known but pivotal member of the Wright family is based on an in-depth study of her personal and Wright family archives. Katherine's portrayal of family life in the Wright household, her descriptions of the early days of flight, and her intimate recollection of her reclusive, publicity shy brothers, cast a unique and fascinating light on one of the twentieth century's great technical achievements and two of its most famous men.
- ms/hs McAleavy, Tony **Life In A Medieval Abbey** SVC,SO  
 Peter Bedrick Books/McGraw Hill 2003 64p 22.00 1-59271-006-3  
 The thriving monasteries of the Middle Ages had austere origins in the Middle East. Centuries later, monasticism was brought to Britain by successive waves of invaders: Celts, Saxons, Vikings, and Normans.

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- ms/hs McAleavy, Tony **Life in a Medieval Castle** PN,SO  
 Peter Bedrick Books/McGraw Hill 2003 64p 22.00 1-59270-005-5  
 A colorful look at the history of castles. Includes information about how they were built and the people who lived in them. Explores their influence on government, law enforcement, and war during the Middle Ages. Also looks at the fate of castles after the Middle Ages.
- \* jr/sr McCaffrey, Anne and Todd McCaffrey **Dragon's Kin** LM,SO  
 Random House/Doubleday/Ballantine 2003 292p 24.95 0-345-46198-3  
 In the continuing saga of the Dragonriders of Pern, Kindan becomes the guardian of a watch-wher to save their mining camp from coal mining disasters. His friends (Zenor and Nuella) help him to understand the telepathic creature as he grows up.
- \* ms/hs McDonald, Janet **Twists and Turns** TW,MD  
 Farrar Strauss 2003 135p 16.00 0-374-39955-7  
 Teen sisters living in the projects attempt to open a beauty shop. Lively hip-hop language flows through this humorous and poignant story of young blacks from the inner city.
- ms/hs Meltzer, Milton **Edgar Allan Poe** LMN,CFM  
 Gareth Stevens/World Almanac 2003 144p 31.90 0-7613-2910-2  
 A biography that focuses on the difficulties Edgar Allan Poe had in his personal life. Also discusses the successes and failures in his professional writing life.
- all ages Meltzer, Milton **Hour of Freedom** TW,SO  
 Boyd's Mill 2003 88p 1-59078-021-3  
 Fifty-nine poems focusing on 7 major historical periods of the U.S., including such poets as Walt Whitman, Langston Hughes, Edna St. Vincent Millay and Rita Dove. This is a classic collection for every library.
- ms/hs Morris, Neil **The Life of Jesus** MJ,IG  
 Peter Bedrick Books/McGraw Hill 2003 32p 18.95 1-59271-002-0 Art Revelations  
 The life and times of the historical figure, Jesus, as told through paintings and other works of art.
- \* jr/sr Murphy, Jim **An American Plague** MD,SO  
 Clarion see Houghton Mifflin 2003 165p 17.00 0-395-77608-2  
 The true story of the Yellow Fever epidemic that hit Philadelphia in 1793.
- \* adult Nafisi, Azar **Reading Lolita in Tehran** MJ,NG  
 Random House/Knopf/Anchor/Three Rivers 2004 356p 13.95 0-8129-7106-X  
 Taking a great risk by teaching forbidden western literature in her home to young women in Iran, the author combines literature, memoir, and the harsh realities of living in Muslim Iran under the repressive regime of the Ayotollah Khomeini.
- elm/ms Nardo, Don **Black Holes** MD,LMN  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent 2003 48p 23.70 0-7377-1366-6  
 Eyes on the Sky(Gale/Kidhaven)  
 Black holes are a fact in our Galaxy and universe. Could it happen to Earth?
- ms/hs Nardo, Don **Germes** SO,CFM  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent 2003 128p 27.45 1-59018-255-3  
 Great medical discoveries  
 This book describes the development of germ theory and the methods that doctors and scientists used to discover the reasons that people got sick and plagues spread across the world.
- ms/hs Nardo, Don **Life of a Roman Gladiator** LM,SO  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent 2003 112p 1-59018-253-7  
 Way People Live (Gale/Lucent)  
 The life of a Roman gladiator reflects the training, weapons, and recruitment used by gladiators. The social and moral aspects of fighting in the amphitheater is discussed.

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hs      Newcomb, Robert      **Gates of Dawn (Volume II)**      SVC,LM  
 Random House/Knopf/Anchor/Three Rivers      2003    467p    26.95    0-345-44894-4

Chronicles of Blood & Stone

Eutracia was a kingdom at peace, ruled by a benevolent monarchy, guided by a council of wizards. Horror from the past returned with devastating fury. When the battle against the blood thirsty Sorceresses of the Coven was finally won, victory was not without its price. The royal palace lies in ruins; the king and queen, the royal guard, and the Direct- orate of Wizards are dead; the land is lawless; and Prince Tristan - forced by the Coven to murder his father, the king- is a wanted man. This is a sequel to The Fifth Sorceress.

hs      Oates, Joyce Carol      **Freaky Green Eyes**      LMN,MD  
 Harper Collins(Trophy)/Avon/Greenwillow      2003    341p    16.99    0-06-623759-9

Francesca (Franky) finds the life she lives as daughter of a famous sports announcer thrown into confusion when her mother disappears.

\*      jr/sr      Ochoa, Annette Pina      **Night is Gone, Day is Still Coming**      MD,SO  
 Candlewick Press      2003    145p    16.99    0-7636-1518-8

A beautiful collection of of stories and poems by American Indian teenagers.

jr/sr      Ojeda, Auriana, ed.      **Dieting**      SVC,IG  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent      2003    128p    31.20    0-7377-1258-9    Teen Decisions (Gale)

The Teen Decisions series aims at helping teens make responsible choices. In "Dieting" the author provides readers with thought provoking advice and information from a variety of perspectives. Most of the articles tell personal stories about decisions teens have made and how their lives were affected. Additional features in each book of the series includes a listing of organizations to contact for more information, as well as a bibliography to aid readers interested in more information.

hs      Orenstein, Denise Gosliner      **Unseen Companion**      LMN,  
 Harper Collins(Trophy)/Avon/Greenwillow      2003    357p    15.99    0-06-052056-6

Set in Alaska in 1969, four teenagers, all touched by the life of Dove Alexie, try to find out what really happened to him.

\*      ms/hs      Orr, Tamara      **Violence in Our Schools**      MD,MS  
 Franklin Watts see Scholastic      2003    192p    29.50    0-531-1228-9

Social Studies:Teen Issues (Watts/Scholastic)

An insightful look at school violence.

ms/hs      Patent, Dorothy Hinshaw      **Plants on the Trail With Lewis and Clark**      LM,SO  
 Clarion see Houghton Mifflin      2003    104p    18.00    0-618-06776-0

This book describes the plants that Lewis and Clark encountered as they explored the western lands. They catalogued the plants and their uses for food and medicine.

ms/hs      PBS Home Video      **A Midwife's Tale**      LM,CFM  
 PBS Home Video      1997    88 min    24.98    0-7806-2230-8

This is the story of a woman's life in the 1700's who acted as midwife for a community and recorded their activities in her diary.

ms/hs      PBS Home Video      **Benjamin Franklin**      LM,CFM  
 PBS Home Video      2002    3.5hrs    24.90    0-7806-4035-7

Benjamin Franklin is a portrait of one of America's foremost statesmen. It shows his wit and diplomacy as he plays out his role in 18th-Century World.

ms/hs      PBS Home Video      **In Search of Al Qaeda**      CFM,LM  
 PBS Home Video      2003    60 min    24.98      Front-line(PBS)

Documentary film that discusses the current search for Al Qaeda members. The documentary focuses on life on post war life.

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ms/hs PBS Home Video **Raising MediaWise Kids** LM,SO  
 PBS Home Video 2003 75 min 24.98 0-7806-3618-X

Dr. David Walsh presents the various ways technology impacts the behavior and learning channels of youngsters in today's cyber world. Viewers are made aware of the intricacies of electronic media impacting youngsters today.

ms/hs PBS Home Video **Secrets of the Dead: Titanic's Ghosts** LM,IG  
 PBS Home Video 2003 60 min 24.98 0-7806-4049-7

This video reveals the efforts to identify the "Unknown Child" buried in one of the unmarked graves in Halifax, Nova Scotia. In an effort to reunite the the lost with their living relatives an extensive dna project was undertaken.

ms PBS Home Video **The Middle Ages School Kit** SO,LM  
 PBS Home Video 120 min 100.00 MESK-000-F3A

This school kit on the Middle Ages discusses the two most visible constructions of the era, the castle and the cathedral.

\* ms/hs Pratchett, Terry **The Wee Free Men** SO,CFM  
 Harper Collins/Joanna Cotler 2003 263p 16.99 0-06-001236-6 Discworld

Tiffany Aching, nine-year-old witch in the making, must prevent the Queen of the Elves from stealing both her little brother and her country.

elm/ms Pringle, Laurence **Whales! Strange and Wonderful** LM,SO  
 Boyd's Mill 2003 32p 15.95 1-56397-439-8

This book introduces a wide variety of whales and relates what man is doing to save the whales from extinction.

ms/jr Quinlan, **Case of the Monkey That Fell from the Trees** MD,TW  
 Boyd's Mill 2003 171p 15.95 1-5639-7902-0

An artistic ecological account of the world's rain forest as seen and observed through the eye of an artist and a scientist.

hs Rainis, Kenneth G. **Microscope Science Projects and Experiments** MD,SO  
 Enslow 2003 128p 20.95 0-7660-2090-8 Science Fair Success\* (Enslow)

Magnifying the hidden world: experiments you can do with a microscope.

hs Rees, Celia **Pirates!** CFM,SO  
 St. Martin's Press/Bloomsbury 2003 380p 16.95 1-58234-816-2

"At the dawn of the eighteenth century, Nancy Kington and Minerva Sharpe, set sail from Jamaica on a pirate vessel, hoping to escape from an arranged marriage and slavery."

ms/hs Reeve, Philip **Mortal Engines** LM,SO  
 Harper Collins(Trophy)/Avon/Greenwillow 2003 310p 16.99 0-06-008207-0

In the distant future, after the Sixty Minute War, large traction cities travel the countryside gobbling up smaller towns hunting fuel and old technologies.

ms Rodowsky, Colby **Not Quite a Stranger** SO,MD  
 Farrar Strauss 2003 178p 16.00 0-374-35548-7

After his mother dies, Zach travels from Cincinnati to Baltimore to find his father he has never met. Tottie, his newly discovered half-sister, resents the change in her family's makeup. Told in the alternating voices of the two teens, the book explores the crisis in which they find themselves.

hs Roleff, Tamara (ed.) **Inner City Poverty** MJ,MT  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent 2003 176p 21.20 0-7377-0841-7

Contemporary Issues Companion  
 Scholarly articles which examine the causes of inner city poverty, how to solve the problem and personal accounts of living life in the inner city.

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- \* ms/hs Rosen, Michael **Shakespeare's Romeo & Juliet** SVC,PN  
 Candlewick Press 2004 unpag 17.99 0-7636-2258-3  
 Rosen retells Romeo and Juliet scene by scene in a simple and lively style.
- ms/hs Ross, Val **Road to There** LM,SO  
 Tundra Books 2003 146p 19.95 0-88776-621-8  
 "Val Ross presents the men and women who have helped us find our way from Here to There." Her choices of examples range from the faked Vineland map to the secret language of quilts that helped slaves escape bondage.
- ms/jr Roy, Jennifer R. & Sherri M. Gordon **You Can Write a Business Letter** LM,SO  
 Enslow 2003 64p 17.95 0-7660-2088-6 You Can Write (Enslow)  
 The text explains the basic steps needed to successfully write business letters.
- \* ms Rybolt, Thomas **Soda pop science projects** SO,LM  
 Enslow 2003 104p 20.95 0-7660-2089-4 Science Fair Success\* (Enslow)  
 The author provides information on choosing and planning a science experiment using ordinary carbonated soft drinks.
- hs Rylant, Cynthia **God Went to Beauty School** MJ,LM  
 Harper Collins(Trophy)/Avon/Greenwillow 2003 56p 14.99 0-06-009433-8  
 In verse, the story is told of God returning to earth and having to deal with the everyday things of life.
- \* hs/adult Sa, Shan **Girl Who Played Go** MJ,TW  
 Random House/Knopf/Anchor/Three Rivers 2003 312p 22.95 1-4000-4025-6  
 Set in Japanese occupied Manchuria in the 1930's, the board game "Go" is played by a Chinese girl and (unbeknown to her) a Japanese officer who find they are attracted to each other. A war and a love story.
- hs Salzman, Mark **True Notebooks** PN,IG  
 Knopf see Random 2003 330p 24.00 0-375-41308-1  
 Mark Salzman had a character he wanted to "flesh out," a juvenile delinquent. A friend talked him into visiting Central Juvenile Hall, a lockup for Los Angeles's most violent teenage offenders. Salzman ended up teaching a creative writing course at the hall. This inspirational book shares the writing of those students and discusses what his students taught him about life.
- \* ms/hs SanSouci, Robert D. **Dare to be Scared: Thirteen Stories to Chill and Thrill** MT,MD  
 Cricket/Carus Pub. 2003 159p 15.95 0-8126-2688-5  
 A collection of thirteen creepy short stories.
- ms/hs Savage, Candace **Wizards:An Amazing Journey through the Last Great Age of Magic** LM,SO  
 Douglas McIntyre/Groundwood 2003 80p 17.95 1-55054-943-X  
 Wizard is a "fascinating journey from the days of dried newts and powdered worms to the discoveries of modern physics".
- ms/hs Schaefer, Adam **Triangle Shirtwaist Fire** LMN,CFM  
 Gareth Stevens/World Almanac 2003 48p 29.26 0-8368-5383-0  
 Landmark Events in American H.(GS/WA)  
 Describes the working conditions in sweatshops in the early 1900's. Follows the start of labor unions and the use of immigrant labor.
- ms/hs Schaffer, Donna **Secretary of Homeland Security** LMN,CFM  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent 2003 32p 24.95 1-56711-960-3 America's  
 LeadersDescribes the formation and duties of the Office of Homeland Security and its director, Tom Ridge.
- \* ms/hs Schreiber, Ellen **Vampire Kisses** MD,IG  
 Harper Collins (Trophy) /Avon/ Greenwillow 2003 197p 15.99 0-0600-9334-X  
 Raven has always wished to be kissed by a vampire. Her dream is about to come true!

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ms Seidler, Tor **Brainboy and the DeathMaster** SO,LM  
 Harper Collins(Trophy)/Avon/Greenwillow 2003 311p 16.99 0-06-029181-8

This is a fascinating high-tech adventure involving computers and strong unforgettable characters. Twelve-year-old orphan Darryl Kirby must save the world from and evil computer genius.

hs Sergis, Diana K. **Bush v. Gore: Controversial Presidential Elections Case** LMN,IG  
 Enslow 2003 128p 20.95 0-7660-2095-9 Landmarks Supreme Court Cases\* (Enslow)

Describes the issues involved in the United States Supreme Court case resulting from the count of ballots in Florida in the 2000 Presidential election.

ms Setterington, Ken **Wild Swans** SVC,LM  
 Tundra Books 2003 35p 17.95 0-88-776-6153

Ken Setterington has borrowed from European folk sources, including the Brothers Grimm and Hans Christian Anderson, to tell a timeless story. A king renowned for his skills as a great hunter went into the forest to hunt. He soon realized he was lost. As the sun set, he began to look for shelter. He meets an old witch. She strikes a bargain with him. She will show him the way home is he agrees to marry her daughter. The king agrees to marry the witch's daughter and from there on a tale dealing with swans, spells and a princess.

ms/hs Shan, Darren **The Vampire Prince** MD,TW  
 Little Brown (Time Warner) 2003 197p 15.95 0-316-607-9-6 Cirque du Freak#4

This is book six in the Cirque Du Freak series about a boy who becomes a vampire's assistant. It is clever, creative and, in parts, gross . Horror fans will love it.

ms/hs Shepard, Jim **Project X** TW,MD  
 Knopf 2004 164p 20.00 14000-4071-x

A powerful and frightening glimpse into to the lives of two alienated eighth grade boys who become involved in a Columbine-type massacre.

hs Smith, Jennifer **The Gay Rights Movement** SVC,LM  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent 2003 222p 14.95 0-7377-1158-2  
 America Social Movement(Gale)

This is a clearly written informative book that presents pro-gay articles by a wide variety of authors. The depth and scope of the information is noteworthy and easily retrieved through the Table of Contents and index of the book.

ms/hs Spangenburg, Ray **Genetic engineering** SO,CFM  
 Marshall Cavendish/Benchmark 2004 123p 37.07 0-7614-1586-6 Open for Debate (MC/BB)

This book provides a thoughtful and evenhanded look at the current controversial topic of genetic engineering which involves the manipulation of genes that alter a living thing at the most basic level and produces a genetically modified organism through the use of biotechnology.

ms/hs Spangenburg, Ray & Kit Moser **Georgia O'Keefe** LM,SO  
 Enslow 2002 48p 18.95 0-7660-1882-2 Artist Biographies (Enslow)

This is a biography of a famous artist, Georgia O'Keefe. The text tells about her art, its importance to art history in America, and what people thought of her work. She is remembered for her paintings of the American Southwest. She was one of the few women artists in her time.

\* jr/sr Spencer, Ann **And Round Me Rings Bell Tales and Folklore** SVC,NG  
 Tundra Books 2003 225p 11.95 0-88776-597-1

"And Round Me Rings" is a celebration of bells, full stories both famous and obscure an anthology of bell tales to delight all those touched by their clamour

ms/hs Stone, Miriam **At the End of Words** MD,LMN  
 Candlewick Press 2003 55p 14.00 0-7636-1854-3

At the end of words is a poetic tribute to a mother dying of cancer. How does a child deal with the issue of death when your heart is breaking everyday piece by piece?



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ms/jr Wynne Jones, Diana **Archer's Goon** LM,SO  
 Harper Collins(Trophy)/Avon/Greenwillow 1984/2003 324p 16.99 0-06-029889-8  
 Reissue of 1984 book. This is a fantasy in which an English town is taken over by seven wizard siblings. Howard Sykes and his family must not become pawns as each member of the family struggles to overpower the others to rule the world.

ms/jr Wynne-Jones, Dianna **Aunt Maria** LM,SO  
 Greenwillow see Harper Collins 1991/2003 274p 16.99 0-06-623742-4  
 Reissue of 1991 book. War of the sexes is waged in a small town when an ordinary family is engulfed in magic and witchcraft peppered with some small town pettiness.

ms/hs Yoder, Carolyn P. **George Washington : The Writer** CFM,MJ  
 Boyd's Mill 2003 141p 16.95 1-56397-199-2  
 "A collection of letters, diary entries, speeches, and other documents written by George Washington, with brief introductions and archival photographs that provide historical background."

\* ms/hs Zucker, Faye **Depression** MT,LMN  
 Franklin Watts 2004 80p 19.50 0-531-12259-X Lifebalance (Watts)  
 Discusses the forms of depression, their treatment, suicide, and how to cope with depression and its treatment.

### Books of Note 2004 Series.....

ms/hs Various **A Travel Guide to...**  
 SO,SVC,CFM,MS  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent 2003 112p 27.45 ea. A Travel Guide to...#4  
 Written as if they were actual visitors' guides to a current location, these books takes the reader into the golden ages of ancient cultures. The series provides a look at major architectural wonders and contemporary life in Alexandria, Athens, Rome, the California gold country, Renaissance Florence, and Shakespeare's London. They are useful and attractive resources that provide a novel look at history and offer information in an entertaining manner.

ms/hs Various **African American Biographies** TW,SVC,CFM,MJ,  
 Enslow 2004 128p 20.95 African American Biographies\* #4(Enslow)  
 These biographies are scholarly and footnoted yet lively in their coverage of the lives of important African-Americans such as Julian Bond, Bessie Coleman, etc. Excellent use of archival photographs help the authors get to the heart of the person. There is a chronology, bibliography and index.

ms/hs Various **American Experience Video Series** LMN,LM,MJ  
 PBS Home Video 2003 120 min. 59.95 ea. American Experience (PBS)  
 This video series presents the stories and events that have shaped America with emphasis on the effects the event had on people's lives. Most videos have a free website that explores, in-depth, the events and people with accompanying teacher's guide.

hs Various **American History by Era** PN,MS,MD,SVC,LMN,SO  
 Gale 2003 300p 43.70 ea. American History by Era#4 (Gale/Greenhaven)  
 Presenting primary source documents and concise summaries of events in an era of American history, this series provides an excellent understanding of the people and events that occurred during a particular time period. Each chapter is written by a different expert.

ms/jr Various **American Voices From** SO,MJ,SVC,JP  
 Marshall Cavendish/Benchmark 2003 115p 23.93 American Voices From#4 ( MC/BB)  
 This series explore periods in American history through primary sources which provide thoughtful and carefully crafted documentary history for young people. The first chapters guide readers through the use of primary sources, noting that some documents may require several readings, and questions are included for the reader to ask while reading the document. Wonderful color and archival photographs are used throughout and help to clarify concepts. At the conclusion are cleverly illustrated timelines, an extensive bibliography and index.

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|---|--|--------------------------------------|------|------------|--------------------------------|
| ms  | Various                                    | <b>Animal Ways</b>                   |      |            | TW,SO,MD,CFM,SVC               |
|   | Marshall Cavendish/Benchmark               | 2003                                 | 112p | 27.45      | Animal Ways*(MC)               |
| <p>An excellent series of books that cover a wide variety of animals. Each book has chapters on the origin of the animal, with a discussion about their evolution, physical characteristics, life cycle, social life and family structure, habitat, intelligence, the relationship of the animal and humans, and their endangered status. The books have a library binding, a glossary, a species checklist with statistical information, a bibliography of books, web sites, movies and videos for further research, a separate list of adult books, and an index.</p>   |  |                                      |      |            |                                |
| ms/hs   | Various                                    | <b>Artists in Their Time series</b>  |      |            | LM,SO,MD,PN                    |
|   | Franklin Watts                             | 2003                                 | 48p  | 22.00 ea.  | Artists in their time#4 (FW)   |
| <p>This is an excellent series which includes books on Hopper, Kahlo, O'Keeffe, Moore, Pollock, Chagall, Cezanne, and Gauguin. These are very visually appealing books, diversified and well balanced between text and illustrations. The text is crisply written and informative and the colorful reproductions of the art works are excellent.</p>  |  |                                      |      |            |                                |
| ms/hs   | Shan, Darren                               | <b>Cirque du Freak series</b>        |      |            | SVC,TW,MD                      |
|   | Harper Collins(Trophy)/Avon/Greenwillow    | 2003                                 | 200p | 15.99/6.99 | Cirque du Freak#4              |
| <p>The saga of Darren Shan is the on going story of Darren's adventure as a semi vampire. There are now six books in the series. The stories are chilling and will thrill young adults. They are a fast read and will leave you wanting more.</p>   |  |                                      |      |            |                                |
| ms/hs   | Various                                    | <b>Countries of the World series</b> |      |            | CFM,MJ,TW                      |
|   | Gareth Stevens/World Almanac               | 2003                                 | 96p  | 29.27      | Countries of the World*(GS/WA) |
| <p>Beautiful photographs coupled with a written overview of each country will delight students in middle and high school. This high-interest, low-level series gives us a closer look into government, food, culture and other issues concerning each country. Each volume includes a glossary, index, bibliography and websites.</p>   |  |                                      |      |            |                                |
| ms/hs   | Various                                    | <b>Cultures of the World series</b>  |      |            | ALL                            |
|   | Marshall Cavendish/Benchmark               | 2003                                 | 144p | 28.50      | Cultures of the World*#4 (MC)  |
| <p>Each book covers many basic facts about a country including its government, history, economy, environment, lifestyle, religion, language, arts, leisure, festivals, food, geography, people, social life and customs. Each includes maps, timeline of events, a glossary, fast facts, books for further information, a bibliography, and a comprehensive index. In a time when some publishers are cutting back on glossy, color photographs, this series offers beautiful color photographs and thick pages.</p>  |  |                                      |      |            |                                |
| hs  | Various                                    | <b>Current Controversies</b>         |      |            | MJ,LM,TW,LMN                   |
|   | Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent | 2003                                 | 192p | 32.45      | Current Controversies#4 (Gale) |
| <p>This series explores the political, social and economic controversies that dominate the world today. The excerpts are well written, scholarly articles that present a variety of opinions on the topic. The articles are not too lengthy but will need a reader with well-developed critical and analytical skills. Also helpful to the reader is the information at the beginning of each article presenting the credentials of the writer. The quotes that reflect the essentials of the article are highlighted in gray boxes, allowing the reader to skim. Bibliography and index at the conclusion.</p> |  |                                      |      |            |                                |
| elm/ms  | Holmes, Thom                               | <b>Dinosaur Library</b>              |      |            | SO,LM                          |
|   | Enslow                                     | 2003                                 | 104p | 20.95 ea.  | Dinosaur Library*#4 (Enslow)   |
| <p>These books give clearly written looks at the dinosaurs and are useful and attractive resources. Well researched and well organized, these selections will be valuable additions to science shelves. The black-and-white illustrations and photographs, though small, add much to the information presented in the text and make the books visually appealing as well as adding to the attractive layouts.</p>   |  |                                      |      |            |                                |
| Ms/hs   | various                                    | <b>Diseases &amp; Disorders</b>      |      |            | CFM,SO,TW,SVC,MD               |
|   | Gale/Lucent Books                          | 2003                                 | 112p | 27.45ea    | Diseases & Disorders(Lucent)   |
| <p>Clear, careful explanations offer insight into what today's medical ailments are, what causes them, how people live with them. Each volume includes primary and secondary source quotations, annotated bibliographies, and lists of organizations to contact for additional information.</p>   |  |                                      |      |            |                                |

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ms	Gallant, Roy A.	<b>Earthworks</b>		SO,MD,SVC
	Marshall Cavendish/Benchmark	2003	80p	28.50 ea. Earthworks#4 (MC/BB)

The series Earthworks covers the topics of the atmosphere, the history, the plates, the resources, the structure, and the waters of the Earth. Gallant has written lively books that offer balanced, succinct, and lucid treatments of their subjects. They are well-organized and attractive resources that provide readers with clear explanations of the scientific theories presented. The page layouts are excellent and the illustrations, labeled cross-sections, and colorful photographs add greatly to the text. The books are library-bound and end with a glossary, a bibliography of books for further reading, and excellent selection of web sites, and an index.

elm/ms	various	<b>Elements (series)</b>		TW,CFM,SO,MJ
	Marshall Cavendish/Benchmark	2003	32p	25.64 Elements* #4 (MC/BB)

Each book in this series explains the most important chemical elements and how they play a role in everyday chemistry. Each title is filled with beautiful color illustrations and photos.

ms/hs	Various	<b>Enchantment of the World - 2nd ed. Series</b>		CFM,MD,SO,LM,MJ,JP
	Watts	2003	144p	34.00 Enchantment of the World*#4 (Children's)

The series provides excellent coverage for middle school students about the basics of a country - its geography, history, government, culture, etc. Many of the authors have first hand experience in the country. Well organized and easy to interpret, all texts include a timeline, fast facts about the country, bibliography and index. Includes wonderful color photographs and illustrations used throughout.

ms	Various	<b>Endangered animals &amp; habitats</b>		CFM,SO
	Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent	2003	112p	27.45 Endangered animals & habitats

This series on endangered animals and habitats include books on bats, chimpanzees, condors, cougars, wetlands, and the Galapagos Islands. They offer basic facts about each subject with a discussion about the evolution, physical characteristics, life cycle, interactions, habitats, intelligence, and whether each species is endangered. There are also chapters that discuss what makes each topic susceptible to extinction and conservation efforts made to preserve them.

ms/hs	Bryan, Nichol	<b>Environmental Disasters</b>		LMN, LM,TW
	Gareth Stevens/World Almanac	2003	48p	29.27 ea. Environmental Disasters (WAL)

This series explores the environmental, economic, and human cost of disasters such as oil spills, chemical leaks, and nuclear disasters. Eye-catching photos, maps, and compelling text pull the reader from page to page. Legislation resulting from the disasters, websites, bibliography, and index conclude the five books in the series.

ms/hs	Various	<b>Examining issues Through Political Cartoons</b>		MD,TW,MT
	Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent	2003	75p	26.20 Examining issues Through...#4 (Gale)

In this series, the humor of cartoons is the hook for getting students to research and contemplate serious social concerns. Background information is provided and each chapter deals with a different sub topic. Each cartoon is accompanied by an explanatory paragraph and a short bio of the cartoonist. An index and lists of books, periodicals, and organizations are included for further research.

elm/ms	Various	<b>Extreme Places</b>		MD,LM,LMN
	Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent	2003	48p	23.70 ea. Extreme Places#4 (Gale)

Whether natural or made by man, this series describes the deepest, highest, tallest, and longest be they building, lake, mountain, tunnel, river or waterfall. This series of eight books has vibrant illustrations and excellent diagrams to explain science concepts. Suitable for all ages elementary through high school. Fascinating reading!

ms	Various	<b>Famous Inventors</b>		MD,SVC
	Enslow	2003	32p	17.95 ea. Famous Inventors#4 (Enslow)

Famous Inventors series features up-to-date perspectives on inventors who changed our world. Fact-filled anecdotes and details about each inventor's life. Also contains colorful layouts with plenty of photos.

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| elm/ms   | Various           | <b>Giants of Science</b>               | SVC,SO,CFM,TW                               |
| Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent   |                   | 2002 64p 27.45                         | Giants of Science#4 (Gale/Blackbirch)       |
| Well-rounded biographies that highlight the life and careers of eminent scientists of the world. The series format uses large, clear photographs to illustrate the text and include a timeline, a glossary, suggested books and websites, and an index.  |                   |  |   |
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| hs   | Various           | <b>Great Artists</b>                   | ALL   |
| Peter Bedrick Books/McGraw Hill  |                   | 2003 40p 15.95                         | Great Artists (P.                           |
| Bedrick)   |                   |  |   |
| On the surface, this series appears to be geared to lower level readers. However, the material is written for high school and above. While the cover indicates that these books are "concise biographies," this series is really a more in-depth analysis of the artists' works interwoven with the artists' lives.  |                   |  |   |
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| ms   | Various           | <b>Great Explorations</b>              | SO,CFM,JP,MJ                                |
| Marshall Cavendish/Benchmark   |                   | 2003 80p 28.50                         | Great Explorations*#4 (MC)                  |
| Explores the world of great explorers. This series provides a chronological biography of each explorer. There are pictures, maps, timeline, reading list and websites.   |                   |  |   |
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| ms   | Various           | <b>Great Inventions</b>                | MD,SO,LM                                    |
| Marshall Cavendish/Benchmark   |                   | 2004 124p 37.07                        | Great Inventions (MC/BB)                    |
| "Step into the life and times of the inventors of the printing press, clocks, vaccines, the cotton gin, and gunpowder and weaponry. Imagine the world before these great inventions existed. Learn what the inventors did, why they did it, and how they succeeded."   |                   |  |   |
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| ms   | Various           | <b>Great Journeys</b>                  | MD,JP,MS                                    |
| Marshall Cavendish/Benchmark   |                   | 2003 93p 32.79                         | Great Journeys*#4                           |
| (MC)   |                   |  |   |
| Great journeys is about the painful journey the Native Americans have had to endure whenever they were relocated so that white men / US Government could have their land.  |                   |  |   |
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| ms/jr.   | Various           | <b>Great Life Stories series</b>       | CFM,MD,SVC,LM,IG,LMN                        |
| Watts 2003   |                   | 127p 29.50                             | Great Life Stories (Watts)                  |
| Ten volume biographical set explores the lives of various people of interest to middle school students. Each title explores the triumphs, struggles, and setbacks of the individual. Each title introduces readers to the history of the times and includes a timeline of events, sidebars, and resources for further information.   |                   |  |   |
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| hs   | Karson, Jill (ed) | <b>Great Speeches in History</b>       | MS,LMN,LM                                   |
| Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent   |                   | 2003 238p 32.95                        | Great Speeches in History#4 (Gale)          |
| The Great Speeches in History series follows an historical event, era, or issue with speeches. Historical context, biographical information about the speaker and an analysis of the speech are included in each book, which enhances the reader's understanding of the topic. American Revolution, Human rights are some of the other titles included in the series.                    |                   |  |   |
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| ms/hs  | Various           | <b>Heroes &amp; Villains Series</b>    | MS,CFM,PN,SVC,M,MJ                          |
| Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent   |                   | 2003 104p 27.45                        | Heroes & Villains#4 (Gale/Lucent)           |
| Series includes eleven biographies of some of the most fascinating people in history. Each title explores the experiences, events, characteristics, and why they have either become heroic or villainous. Each title includes black and white photographs, primary and secondary sources.  |                   |  |   |
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| ms   | Various           | <b>Historical American Biographies</b> | SO,CFM                                      |
| Enslow 2003  |                   | 32p 27.45 ea.                          | Historical American Biographies*#4 (Enslow) |
| This informative and approachable series covers notable Americans from many fields. They provide readable accounts of the personal and professional lives of the subjects and are enhanced by many black-and-white photographs and occasional sidebars which expand upon secondary topics from the main text. They will be very useful for research, reports, and for personal interest. |                   |  |   |

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elm/ms                      Steffoff, Rebecca                      **North American Historical Atlases Series**                      CFM,MD,JP  
 Marshall Cavendish/Benchmark                      2003                      48p                      18.95                      Historical Atlases#4 (MC/Benchmark)

This five volume series invites readers to explore the colorful history of North America. Engaging color graphics and easy-to-follow narratives aid in bringing to life the past centuries of North American history. Each title includes a glossary, maps, a chronology of landmark events, and resources for further reading.

jr/sr                      Various                      **History First Hand**                      MJ,TW,LMN,MD,SVC  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent                      2003                      240p                      32.45                      History First Hand#4 (Gale)

The entries in this series are designed for the student beginning a serious historical study. The series presents American history through the eyes of first person narrators. The introductory chapter gives a background on the historical event and the various viewpoints on the question. The entries are scholarly and footnoted. Each entry has a preface that explains the main concepts presented by the author. The fascinating narratives provide excellent food for thought, especially when exploring such moral questions as the use of the atomic bomb.

ms/hs                      Nardo, Don                      **History of Weapons & Warfare**                      SVC,TW,SO,PN,CFM  
 Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent                      2003                      112p                      23.70 ea.                      History of Weapons & Warfare#4

This series explores the changing nature of warfare and how it has affected various human societies. In each volume, the warfare of a pivotal people or era is examined in detail. The words of actual participants in ancient, medieval, and modern wars, as well as noted historians of the past and present, are used to describe beliefs about war. Each volume's value as a learning tool is further enhanced by informative sidebars, footnotes, an extensive annotated bibliography, and an index.

ms/hs                      Altman, Linda                      **Holocaust In History**                      MJ,SO,PN,  
 Enslow                      2003                      104p                      20.95 ea.                      Holocaust In History#4

(Enslow)  
 This excellent series covers the Holocaust and includes titles on the crimes and criminals, Hitler's rise to power, the Jewish victims, forgotten victims, resisters and rescuers, and the impact of the Holocaust. Altman presents her well-researched information in a balanced, succinct, and lucid manner. The writing is enhanced by the inclusion of small black-and-white photographs and maps. The books are library-bound and end with a timeline, chapter notes, a glossary, bibliography of books and Internet addresses, and an index.

ms/hs                      Various                      **In American History**                      ALL  
 Enslow                      2003                      128p                      27.45                      In American History\*#4 (Enslow)

Each volume features in-depth coverage of defining moments in United States history. Perfect for social studies and history curricula.

ms                      Various                      **In My Own Words (series)**                      ALL  
 Marshall Cavendish/Benchmark                      2004                      64-96                      27.07                      In My Own Words #4 (MC/BB)

Each book in this series introduces readers to ordinary people who lived through times such as the Revolutionary War, the Civil War, and so forth. Each book explores the person's memoirs and recounts of events and issues.

elm/ms                      Various                      **Internet Biographies series**                      LM,SVC  
 Enslow                      2003                      48p                      18.95                      Internet Biographies#4 (Enslow)

These are biographies of well known people in the high tech field. Each book describes the life and career of an individual as well as explaining the specifics of the technology. Each book contains a chronology, glossary, notes, bibliography, web sites, and an index.

ms/jr                      Gerry, Janet & Allison Souter                      **Internet Library series**                      LM,SO  
 Enslow                      2003                      64p                      17.95                      Internet Library\*#4 (Enslow)

This series provides simple step-by-step procedures and information relating to technical aspects of the Internet. Some of the titles deal with researching using search engines, creating e-reports, bringing photos, music and video to your web page, and creating animation for your web page. A very practical approach for young readers.

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ms/hs	Various	<b>Interpreting Primary Documents</b>	MS,LM,PN,MD
	Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent	2003 200p 22.45	Interpreting Primary Documents#4

Each volume in this series is a compilation / anthology of primary sources exploring the topic. It includes guided questions and chronology of events.

elem	Various	<b>Inventors &amp; Creators</b>	MS,LM,MJ,MD,SO
	Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent	2003 48 23.70	Inventors & Creators#4 (Gale)

These interesting biographies on inventors will keep kids engaged since the narration reads like a story. The books are somewhat scholarly however, since all quotes used are documented and footnoted. The series tries to include ideas that may be a little different from those included in your usual children's biography. Usually the books have a multicultural connection. The color illustrations and archival photographs greatly add to the text. The organization and format are excellent. There is a glossary, bibliography and index.

ms/hs	Various	<b>Issues in Focus</b>	IG,LM,MS,SVC,MJ
	Enslow	2003 128p 20.95	Issues in Focus*#4 (Enslow)

Covers major issues that are problems in the world today such as land mines and nuclear weapons. Each text is footnoted and brings out both sides of the issues for discussion. The authors make use of original source documents. Each volume contains a glossary, bibliography, and index.

elm/ms	Various	<b>It's My State</b>	MJ,MD,SVC
	Marshall Cavendish/Benchmark	2003 80p 27.07	It's My State#4 (MC/BB)

This is an excellent survey of the important facts about a state- its history, geography, economy, government, culture, etc. At the beginning is a quick look at the state, presenting information kids always need in reports such as the state bird, flower, flag, etc. The attractive layout and organization are excellent. The large color illustrations and photographs add to the clarity of the text. Many of the photographs include minorities and there is a section on the ethnic population of the state. Craft projects indigenous to the state are included. At the conclusion, there is a colorful calendar of events in the state for those planning a family trip.

ms	Various	<b>Kidhaven Science Library</b>	MT,SO,CFM,MD,TW
	Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent	2003 48p 23.70	Kidhaven Science Library#4 (Gale)

Important science topics are introduced in a clear, concise manner and illustrated with color photographs, and charts. Each book includes a helpful glossary, a list of books for further research and an index. Tornadoes, genetics, the immune system, the Internet, light, and weather are new books in this series, in addition to the fifteen previously published titles.

*	ms/hs	Schomp, Virginia	<b>Letters from the Battlefield</b>	SVC,MJ,NG,LMN
	Marshall Cavendish/Benchmark	2004 96p 29.93	Letters from the Battlefield (MC/BB)	

Letters from the Battlefield is a series that narrates the story of America's wars through the personal accounts of the men and women who faced hardship and danger on the battlefield. The books in the series tell the story of America's wars from the viewpoint of those who worked, watched, and waited at home. Each volume uses primary sources to recapture the drama of life during: Civil War, Revolutionary War, Vietnam War, World War I and II. A companion to Benchmark's popular Letters from the Home front series.

elm/ms	PBS Video	<b>Liberty's kids</b>	SO,LM
	PBS Home Video	2003 60 min 39.95	Liberty's Kids(PBS)

This is an excellent series on American history in the late eighteenth century. The animation is engaging and the information is historically accurate, covering the people, events, and decisions made that affected the development of an independent United States.

hs	Various	<b>Lucent Library of Historical Eras</b>	CFM,SVC,LMN
	Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent	2003 95p 27.45 ea.	Lucent Library of Historical Eras#4 (Elizabethan England)

Offers readers insight into important eras in world history. Individual books in each set present readers with an historical perspective and comprehensive picture of the cultural, political, and social events that characterize the given era. Fully documented primary and secondary source accounts enliven the text. Bibliographies, maps and photographs, sidebars, and indexes make these useful tools for student researchers.



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ms	Various	<b>Rivers of the world</b>	CFM,SO,MT
	Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent	2004 112p 27.45	Rivers of the World

Each volume examines one of the world's major rivers and its' importance to people and wildlife, in ancient times and today. Maps photographs, and documented quotes enhance the text. Other rivers in the series are the Amazon, Ganges, Mississippi, Nile, and the Rhine.

ms/hs	Various	<b>Rulers &amp; their times</b>	SO,CFM,MS
	Marshall Cavendish/Benchmark	2003 80p 28.50 ea.	Rulers & their times#4 (MC)

Biographies of some of the world's great leaders, presented in an attractive format, which firmly place each ruler in a cultural and historical context and help develop an understanding of the time period that shaped the subject's life. Each book is divided into three parts that discuss the lives of the subjects, the lives of their people, and primary source material from the time periods.

ms/hs	Silverstein, Alvin	<b>Science Concepts</b>	SO,LM
	Millbrook Press/21st Century/Copper Beech	2003 64p 26.90 ea.	Science Concepts#4 (Millbrook)

This series offer information about important scientific ideas and how they contribute to the future. It includes titles on global warming, photosynthesis, plate tectonics, and many other current scientific concepts. These are very visually appealing books, diversified and well balanced between text and illustrations. The texts are crisply written and informative and offer up-to-date looks at the concepts presented. They are library-bound and end with a glossary, an extensive bibliography of books and Internet sites, and an index.

elm/ms	Gardner, Robert	<b>Sensational Science Experiments</b>	MD,SO,LM	Enslow
	2003 48p 18.95 ea.	Sensational Science Experiments#4 (Enslow)		

Designed for a younger audience than most of Gardner's books, this excellent series offers simple experiments designed to explore basic scientific theories about weight, time, temperature, speed, volume, height and depth. They are clearly written, with many of the scientific terms used being explained in context. The experiments can be used both to explain basic theories or as a stepping stone for further research. They are library-bound and contains a glossary, a bibliography of books and web sires, and an index.

ms/jr	Various	<b>Story of Science</b>	MD,LM,JP,MJ
	Marshall Cavendish/Benchmark	2003 78p 28.50	Story of Science*#4 (MC)

A feast for the eyes science series on experimentation, discovery and research.

elm/ms	Various	<b>Trailblazers of the Modern World series</b>	CFM,MD,SO,SVC
	Gareth Stevens/World Almanac	2003 48p 21.95	Trailblazers of the Modern World*#4(Enslow)

Series focuses on individuals who have made a major impact on the 20th century. Each book in this series includes a glossary , black-and-white and color photographs, as well as a timeline, and web site lists are included. Information is well organized and pages are finished with a high end glossy look.

ms	Various	<b>Triangle Histories: Revolutionary War</b>	CFM,MS,MJ,MD,LM,SO
	Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent	2003 32p 27.45 ea.	Triangle Histories: Revolutionary War#4 (Gale)

These books offer lively and informative presentations on the American Revolution which include biographies of important participants and some of the major battles. The narratives are well-balanced, clearly written, and succinct and include many primary source accounts illustrating the events. Interspersed throughout the books are engaging sidebars, some biographical, that add greatly to the text.

elem	Various	<b>Welcome to My Country</b>	MD,MJ
	Gareth Stevens/World Almanac	2003 48p 23.93	Welcome to My Country#4(GS/WA)

The organization and presentation of information in this colorful series makes it very useful for elementary student's reports. The text is clear and easy to follow with large print. The series covers the basics about a country- the geography, animal life, vegetation, government, history, economy and culture. The large color photographs on every page do much to enhance the text. Margins are used to provide additional information. The authors' tend to present only a positive view of the country and don't picture or emphasize the major problems but perhaps this is to be expected in a book on this level. The attractive covers always feature young people of the country or families. At the conclusion are a bibliography, quick facts, glossary and index.

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ms/hs                      Various                      **Women In History**                      MS,SO,PN,SVC,MJ

Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent    2003    126p    25.00    Women In History#4 (Gale/Lucent)

This series takes a unique approach to examining the contributions of women during pivotal events and eras in history. Each volume is organized around distinct roles played during the period. War titles might include chapters on wartime nurses and women spies. Historical era titles might include chapters on women peasants, nobles, and religious women. Examples of both famous and unsung women, as well as a variety of primary source quotations, illustrate the narrative.

ms/hs                      Various                      **Working Life series**                      SVC,SO,CFM,LM

Gale/Kidhaven/Blackbirch/Greenhaven/Lucent    2003    112p    27.45 ea.    Working Life, The#4 (Gale)

This series uses the workplace to help young readers understand daily life in other times. Readers will learn about qualifications, training, hazards, and the actual workday of painters during the Renaissance, sweatshop laborers during the Industrial Revolution and others.

ms                      Miller, Ron                      **Worlds Beyond**                      SO,LM

Millbrook Press/21st Century/Copper Beech    2003    112p    25.90    Worlds Beyond#4 (Millbrook)

This spectacular series contains titles on the extra solar planets, Jupiter, the Sun, Uranus and Neptune, Venus, and the Earth and the Moon. It offers very accessible information that is up-to-date and accurate. The books are enhanced greatly by the wonderful full-color illustrations, diagrams, maps, and photographs. Each chapter has varied sidebars with additional facts, theories, and experiments. These add greatly to the basic concepts of astronomy and geology and make them very accessible to the reader.