Historical Fiction

Listed by period

Ancient History to Pre-Colonial Days

*Crispin* series by Avi

*The Wicked and the Just* by Jillian Anderson Coats

*Will in Scarlet* by Matthew Cody

*Alchemy and Meggie Swan* by Karen Cushman

*Matilda Bone* by Karen Cushman

*The Midwife’s Apprentice* by Karen Cushman

*Will Sparrow’s Road* by Karen Cushman

*The Door in the Wall* by Marguerite De Angeli

*Cleopatra VII, Daughter of the Nile* Royal Diaries series

*Eleanor: Crown Jewel of Aquitaine* Royal Diaries series

*Elizabeth I, Red Rose of the House of Tudor* Royal Diaries series

*Mary, Queen of Scots* Royal Diaries series

*Destruction of Pompeii, AD 79* (I Survived) by Lauren Tarshis

Colonial Period

*Raleigh’s Page* by Alan Armstrong

*Blood on the River: Jamestown 1607* by Elisa Lynn Carbone

*Ghost Hawk* by Susan Cooper

*A Journey to the New World: The Diary of Remember Patience Whipple* Dear America series

*Silence and Lily* by Kathleen Duey

*Maria’s Story, 1773* by Joan Lowery Nixon

*The Serpent Never Sleeps: A Novel of Jamestown and Pocahontas* by Scott O’Dell

*A Pickpocket’s Tale* by Karen Schwabach

*The Witch of Blackbird Pond* by Elizabeth George Speare
American Revolution

The Fighting Ground by Avi
Sophia’s War by Avi
Drums at Saratoga by Lisa Banim
The Hessian’s Secret Diary by Lisa Banim
Samuel’s Choice by Richard Berleth
Sleds on the Boston Common by Louise Borden
Daniel at the Siege of Boston, 1776 by Laurie Calkhoven
My Brother Sam Is Dead by James Collier
The Journal of William Thomas Emerson, a Revolutionary War Patriot Dear America
Love Thy Neighbor: The Tory Diary of Prudence Emerson Dear America
The Winter of Red Snow: The Revolutionary War Diary of Abigail Jane Stewart Dear America
Johnny Tremain by Esther Forbes
Early Thunder by Jean Fritz
Hope’s Crossing by Joan Goodman
Five 4ths of July by Pat Hughes
The Keeping Room by Anna Myers
Spy! by Anna Myers
Cast Two Shadows by Ann Rinaldi
A Message for General Washington by Vivian Schurfranz

Late 1700s & Early 1800s

The Barn by Avi
The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle by Avi
Curiosity by Gary L. Blackwood
A Time of Miracles by Anne-Laure Bondoux
Jefferson’s Sons: A Founding Father’s Secret Children by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley
Elijah of Buxton by Christopher Paul Curtis
The Ballad of Lucy Whipple by Karen Cushman
Across the Wide and Lonesome Prairie: The Oregon Trail Diary of Hattie Campbell, Booneville, Missouria, 1847 Dear America
All the Stars in the Sky: The Santa Fe Trail Diary of Florrie Mack Ryder Dear America
Freedom’s Wings Dear America series
The Journal of Jedediah Barstow, an Emigrant on the Oregon Trail: Overland, 1845 Dear America series
The Journal of Jesse Smoke: A Cherokee Boy Dear America Series
A Picture of Freedom: The Diary of Clotee, a Slave Girl Dear America series
The Matchlock Gun by Walter Edmonds
**The Game of Silence** by Louise Erdrich

**The Porcupine Year** by Louise Erdrich

**Salt: A Story of Friendship in a Time of War** by Helen Frost

**Maggie’s Door** by Patricia Reilly Giff

**Nory Ryan’s Son** by Patricia Reilly Giff

**Emma’s River** by Alison Hart

**Nightjohn** by Gary Paulsen

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**Iron Thunder: The Battle Between the Monitor and Merrimac** by Avi

**Charley Skedaddle** by Patricia Beatty

**Will at the Battle of Gettysburg, 1863** by Laurie Calkhoven

**With Every Drop of Blood** by James Collier

**A Light in the Storm: The Civil War Diary of Amelia Martin** Dear America

**When Will This Cruel War Be Over? The Civil War Diary of Emma Simpson** Dear America

**My Lost Skirt: The Story of Jennie Hodgers, Union Soldier** by Lynda Durrant

**Bull Run** by Paul Fleischman

**Hear the Wind Blow** by Mary Downing Hahn

**Across Five Aprils** by Irene Hunt

**Chance of a Lifetime** by Deborah Kent

**Jesse Bowman: A Union Boy’s War Story** by Tom McGowen

**How I Found the Strong** by Margaret McMullan

**The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg** by W.R. Philbrick

**Juliet’s Moon** by Ann Rinaldi

**The Deep Cut** by Susan Ross Spain

**The Battle of Gettysburg, 1863 (I Survived)** by Lauren Tarshis
Late 1800s

City of Orphans by Avi

Hill Hawk Hattie by Clara Clark

Daughter of Winter by Pat Lowery Collins

Rodzina by Karen Cushman

A Coal Miner’s Bride: The Diary of Anetka Kaminska Dear America

Behind the Masks: The Diary of Angeline Reddy Dear America

The Girl Who Chased Away Sorrow: The Diary of Sarah Nita, Navajo Girl Dear America

The Great Railroad Race: The Diary of Libby West Dear America

The Journal of Brian Doyle: A Greenhorn on an Alaskan Whaling Ship Dear America

My Face to the Wind: The Diary of Sarah Jane Price, a Prairie Teacher Dear America

A House of Tailors by Patricia Reilly Giff

Water Street by Patricia Reilly Giff

The Brooklyn Nine by Alan Gratz

Our Only May Amelia by Jennifer Holm

The Trouble With May Amelia by Jennifer Holm

The Great Trouble by Deborah Hopkinson

How to Catch a Bogle by Catherine Jinks

The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate by Jacqueline Kelly

The War Within by Carol Matas

When I Crossed No-Bob by Margaret McMullan

The King of Mulberry Street by Donna Jo Napoli

Sing Down the Moon by Scott O’Dell

Thunder Rolling Down the Mountains by Scott O’Dell

May B. by Caroline Starr Rose

Victoria, May Blossom of Britannia Royal Diaries series

Splendors and Gloom by Laura Amy Schlitz

The Invention of Hugo Cabret by Brian Selznick

Little House series by Laura Ingalls Wilder

Black Storm Coming by Diane Wilson

Tracks by Diane Wilson

Crow by Barbara Wright
Early 1900s & World War I

Finding Family by Tonya Bolden
Stay Where You Are and Then Leave by John Boyne
A City Tossed and Broken Dear America
Color Me Dark: The Diary of Nellie Lee Love, the Great Migration North Dear America
Dreams in the Golden Country: The Diary of Zipporah Feldman, a Jewish Immigrant Girl Dear America
Like the Willow Tree: The Diary of Lydia Amelia Pierce Dear America
A Time for Courage: The Diary of Kathleen Bowen Dear America
Voyage on the Great Titanic: The Diary of Margaret Ann Brady Dear America
Sofia’s Immigrant Diary series by Kathryn Lasky
The Best Bad Luck I Ever Had by Kristin Levine
The Doll Shop Downstairs by Yona Zeldis McDonough
Katerina’s Wish by Jeannie Mobley
Kaspar the Titanic Cat by Michael Morpurgo
The San Francisco Earthquake, 1906 (I Survived) by Lauren Tarshis
The Shark Attacks of 1916 (I Survived) by Lauren Tarshis

The Sinking of the Titanic, 1912 (I Survived) by Lauren Tarshis
The Locked Garden by Gloria Whelan
The Dragon’s Child: A Story of Angel Island by Laurence Yep
The Earth Dragon Awakes: The San Francisco Earthquake of 1906 by Laurence Yep
Great Depression & the 1930s

*Bud, Not Buddy* by Christopher Paul Curtis

*The Mighty Miss Malone* by Christopher Paul Curtis

*Christmas After All: The Diary of Minnie Swift* Dear America series

*The Journal of C.J. Jackson: A Dust Bowl Migrant* Dear America series

*Out of the Dust* by Karen Hesse

*Turtle in Paradise* by Jennifer Holm

*Better to Wish* by Ann Martin

*Bird in a Box* by Andrea Davis Pinkney

*Looking for Me* by Betsy Rosenthal

*Moon Over Manifest* by Clare Vanderpool

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World War II & the 1940s

*Don’t Talk to Me About the War* by David Adler

*Racing the Moon* by Alan Armstrong

*Don’t You Know There’s a War On* by Avi

*Molly* series American Girl

*War Games* by Audrey Couloumbis

*Susan Marcus Bends the Rules* by Jane Cutler

*Red Berries, White Clouds, Blue Sky* by Sandra Dallas

*The Fences Between Us: The Diary of Piper Davis* Dear America

*The Journal of Ben Uchida, Citizen 13559, Mirror Lake Internment Camp* Dear America

*The Journal of Biddy Owens: The Negro Leagues* Dear America

*The Journal of Scott Pendleton Collins: A World War II Soldier* Dear America

*One Eye Laughing, The Other Weeping: The Diary of Julie Weiss* Dear America

*My Secret War: The World War II Diary of Madeline Beck* Dear America

*Born to Fly* by Michael Ferrari

*Gingersnap* by Patricia Reilly Giff

*Willow Run* by Patricia Reilly Giff

*Hero on a Bicycle* by Shirley Hughes
Dash by Kirby Larson

The Linden Tree by Eleanor Mathews

The Doll With the Yellow Star by Yonah Zeldis McDonough

A Boy at War: A Novel of Pearl Harbor by Harry Mazer

Best Friends Forever: A World War II Scrapbook by Beverly Patt

On the Wings of Heroes by Richard Peck

Shadow on the Mountain by Margi Preus

Simon’s Escape: A Story of the Holocaust by Bonnie Pryor

The Romeo and Juliet Code by Phoebe Stone

Romeo Blue by Phoebe Stone

Nazi Invasion, 1944 (I Survived) by Lauren Tarshis

The Bombing of Pearl Harbor, 1941 (I Survived) by Lauren Tarshis

A Faraway Island by Annika Thor

The Lily Pond by Annika Thor

The Coastwatcher by Elise Weston

Little Audrey by Ruth White

My Secret War Diary by Marcia Williams

Someone Named Eva by Joan Wolf

Breaking Stalin’s Nose by Eugene Yelchin

The Devil’s Arithmetic by Jane Yolen

1950s

With the Might of Angels: The Diary of Dawnie Rae Johnson by Lauren Tarshis

Penny From Heaven by Jennifer Holm

Kira-Kira by Cynthia Kadohata

Chasing Orion by Kathryn Lasky

The Lions of Little Rock by Kristin Levine

The Long Way Home by Ann Martin

A Friendship for Today by Pat McKissack

Keeping Score by Linda Sue Park

Fleabrain Loves Franny by Joanne Rocklin

Paperboy by Vince Vawter

The Star Maker by Laurence Yep
1960s

- My Life With the Lincolns by Gayle Brandeis
- The Watsons Go to Birmingham by Christopher Paul Curtis
- The Journal of Patrick Seamus Flaherty, United States Marine Corps Dear America
- Where Have All the Flowers Gone? A Diary of Molly Mackenzie Flaherty Dear America
- Twerp by Mark Goldblatt
- Here Today by Ann Martin
- Where You Belong by Mary Ann McGuigan
- Yankee Girl by Mary Ann Rodman
- Countdown by Deborah Wiles
- Revolution by Deborah Wiles
- One Crazy Summer by Rita Williams-Garcia

1970s

- All the Broken Pieces by Ann E. Burg
- Nest by Esther Ehrlich
- Inside Out and Back Again by Thanhha Lai
- Grounded by Kate Klise
- Keeping Safe the Stars by Sheila O’Connor
- P.S. Be Eleven by Rita Williams Garcia

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American Girl Series by Year

- Kaya, 1764
- Felicity, 1774
- Caroline, 1812
- Josefina, 1824
- Marie-Grace and Cecile, 1853
- Kirsten, 1854
- Addy, 1864
- Samantha, 1904
- Rebecca, 1914
- Kit, 1934
- Molly, 1944
- Julie, 1974