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New Children's Books 2009 - 2010
A Sampling of Titles ...

2010 Caldecott Award Winner and Honor Award

» The Lion and the Mouse by Jerry Pinkney, Boston: Little, Brown.

All the World by Liz Scanlon; illustrated by Marla Frazee, New York: Simon & Schuster.

2010 Newbery Award Winner and Honor Awards

» When You Reach Me by Rebecca Stead. New York: Random House.

The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg by Rodman Philbrick, NY: Scholastic.

The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate by Jacqueline Kelly, New York: Henry Holt.

Picture Books - Fiction

Bottner, B. (2010). Miss Brooks Loves Books (and I don't). Illustrated by M. Emberley.
New York: Random House. This may just be my *favorite* book of the year!

Cuyler, M. (2009). Bullies Never Win. Illustrated by A. Howard. New York:
Simon & Schuster. Fourth title in *Jessica Worries* series.

Davies J. (2009). Tracking the Tallyman: The Great Census Shenanigans of 1790.
Illustrated by S.D. Schindler. New York: Random House. A tale for this Census year!

Deedy, C. A. (2009). 14 Cows for America. Illustrated by T. Gonzalez. Atlanta, GA:
Peachtree. Pair this with Pinkney's Lion & Mouse: big vs. small, strong vs. "weak"

Dewdney, A. (2009). Lhama Lhama Misses Mama. New York: Penguin.
Third title in popular *Lhama* series; Christmas title due this fall.

DiPucchio, K. (2010). Alfred Zector, Book Collector. Illustrated by M. Pamintuon,
New York: Harper.

Donaldson, J. (2010). What the Ladybug Heard. Illustrated by L. Monks. New York:
Henry Holt.

Edwards, P. (2010). Princess Pigtoria and the Pea. Illustrated by H. Cole. New York:
Orchard/Scholastic Books.

Fleischman, P. The Dunderheads. Illustrated by D. Roberts. Somerville, MA:
Candlewick Press. Tyrannical teacher + Subversive kids = Funny book!

Picture Books (cont).

- Fleming, C. (2009). Imogene's Last Stand. Illustrated by N. Carpenter. New York: Schwartz & Wade/Random House.
- Freedman, C. (2010). Dinosaurs Love Underpants. Illustrated by B. Cort. New York: Simon & Schuster. Don't miss the first book - Aliens Love Underpants!
- Huget, J. (2010). How to Clean Your Room in 10 Easy Steps. Illustrated by E. Koren. New York: Schwartz & Wade/Random House.
- Kelley, M. (2009). The Messiest Desk. Madison, WI: Zino Press. Everybody loves Marty!
- Lewis, R. (2010). Orange Peel. New York: Abrams Books for Young Readers.
- Lowry, L. (2009). Crow Call. Illustrated by B. Ibatouline. New York: Scholastic. Wow!
- Pelly, K. (2010). Magnus Maximus, A Marvelous Measurer. Illustrated by S.D. Schindler. New York: Farrar Straus & Giroux.
- Proimos, J. (2010). Todd's TV. New York: Harper.
- Stead, P. (2010). A Sick Day for Amos McGee. Illustrated by E. Stead. New York: Roaring Brook.
- Steig, W. SHREK!: Twentieth Anniversary Edition. New York: Farrar Straus & Giroux.
☞ Pair this with Bottners' Miss Brooks Loves Books (and I don't). Simply perfect!
- Wheeler, L. (2010). Ugly Pie. Illustrated by H. Solomon. Boston: Houghton/HMH.
- Wood, D. (2009). Miss Little's Gift. Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press.
- Picture Books - Nonfiction**
- Ajmera, M., Nakassis, M., Pom, C. (2009). Faith. Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge.
- Brennan-Nelson, D. (2009). J is for Jack-O-Lantern: A Halloween Alphabet. Illustrated by D. Wu. Ann Arbor, MI: Sleeping Bear Press.
- Burton, V. (1962). Life Story. Boston: Houghton Mifflin. The popular classic has been updated.
- Cassino, M. (2009). The Story of Snow: The Science of Winter's Wonder. San Francisco: Chronicle Books.
- D'Agnesse, J. (2010). Blockhead: The Life of Fibonacci. Illustrated by J. O'Brien. New York: Henry Holt,

Nonfiction Picture Books (cont.)

Glaser, L. (2010). Emma's Poem: The Voice of the Statue of Liberty. Illustrated by C. Nivola. Boston: Houghton/HMH.

Gonyea, M. (2010). A Book About Color: A Clear & Simple Guide for Young Artists. New York: Henry Holt. I love this!

Hershenhorn, E. (2009). S is for Story: A Writer's Alphabet. Illustrated by Z. Pullen. Ann Arbor, MI: Sleeping Bear Press.

Jenkins, S. (2009). Never Smile at a Monkey. Boston: Houghton Mifflin. He is amazing!

Kerley, B. (2010). The Extraordinary Mark Twain (According to Suzy). Illustrated by E. Fotheringham. New York: Scholastic Press.

Kirk, E. (2010). Human Footprint. New York: National Geographic Kids. Alarming!

Krull, K. (2010). Lincoln Tells a Joke: How Laughter Saved Illustrated by S. Innerst. New York: Harcourt/HMH.

Napoli, D. (2010). Mama Miti. Illustrated by K. Nelson. New York: Simon & Schuster. Inspired by the life of Nobel Peace Prize winner Wangri Maathai.

Pinkney, A. (2010). Sit-In: How Four Friends Stood Up by Sitting Down. Illustrated by B. Pinkney. New York: Little, Brown.

Robbins, K. (2010). For Good Measure. New York: Roaring Brook Press.

Smith, D. (2009). If America Were a Village. Illustrated by S. Armstrong. Tonawanda, NY: Kids Can Press. Great opportunities for math, social studies integration, esp. upper grades. Companion to If the World Were a Village.

Smith, M. & R. (2010). S is for Smithsonian: America's Museum Alphabet. Illustrated by G. Frankenhuyzen. Ann Arbor, MI: Sleeping Bear Press.

Tavares, M. (2010). Hank Aaron's Dream. Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press.

Veasey, N. (2010). X-treme X-ray. New York: Scholastic.

Folklore

Czekaj, J. (2010). Hip & Hop Don't Stop!. New York: Disney Hyperion. Tortoise & the Hare w/ a hip hop twist.

Karas, G. B. (2010). Young Zeus. New York: Scholastic Press.

Folklore (cont.)

Kimmel, E.A. (2010). Joha Makes a Wish: A Middle Eastern Tale. Illustrated by O. Rayyan. Tarrytown, NY: Marshall Cavendish.

Maddern, E. (2009). The King & the Seed. Illustrated by P. Hess. London: Francis Lincoln Children's Books. (US dist. - Publishers Group West).

Peet, M. & Graham, E. (2010). Cloud Tea Monkeys. Illustrated by J. Wijngaard. Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press.

Rylant, C. (2009). The Beautiful Storie of Life: Six Greek Myths, Retold. Illustrated by C. Ellis. Boston: Harcourt/HMH. Lovely retellings best suited for older readers.

Poetry

Hoberman, M. & Winston, L. (2009). The Tree That Time Built: A Celebration of Nature, Science, and Imagination. Naperville, IL: Sourcebooks/Jabberwocky. This is a wonderful blending of science and language. An audio CD is included.

Hopkins, L.B. (2010). Sharing the Seasons. Illustrated by D. Diaz. New York: Simon. This gorgeous collection deserves a wide audience.

Rosenthal, A. K. (2010). The Wonder Book. Drawings by P. Schmid. New York: HarperCollins. A fun collection of rhymes and word play.

Singer, M. (2010). Mirror, Mirror: A Book of Reverse Verse. Illustrated by J. Masse. New York: Dutton. You've never seen anything like this before...very cool!

Chapter Books

Angleberger, T. (2010). The Strange Case of Origami Yoda. New York: Amulet. Funny!

Arenstam, P. (2009). Nicholas: A New Hampshire Tale. Illustrated by K. Holman. Ann Arbor, MI: Red Mitten Press.

Avi (6/10). Crispin: The End of Time. New York: HarperCollins. Final title in trilogy.

Bolger, K. (6/10). Zombiekins. Illustrated by A. Blecha. New York: Penguin/Razorbill. Author of the beloved classic Sir Fartsalot Hunts the Booger. There you go!

Buckley-Archer, L. (2010). The Time Quake. New York: Simon & Schuster. Final book of the *Gideon* trilogy.

Clements, A. (2010). Benjamin Pratt & the Keppers of the School: We the Children. Illustrated by A. Stower. New York: Simon & Schuster. First title of series - more, more!

Cody, M. (2009). Powerless. New York: Randon House/Knopf.

Chapter Books (cont.)

Cushman, K. (2010). Alchemy and Meggy Swann. Boston: Houghton/HMH.

DiCamillo, K. (2009). The Magician's Elephant. Illustrated by Y. Tanaka. Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press.

Erskine, K. (2010). Mockingbird. New York: Penguin/Philomel.

Gutman, D. (2009). The Christmas Genie. Illustrated by D. Santat. New York:

Knudson, M. (2010). Bases Loaded. Illustrated by S. Curtis. New York: Penguin.
Third title in the very funny *Raymond & Graham* series. Fourth book, Cool Campers, due in May.

Lupica, M. (2010). The Batboy. New York: Penguin/Philomel.

MacLachlan, P. (5/10). Word After Word After Word. New York: HarperCollins.
Though subtle and understated, here is a lovely tribute to good teaching and the power of words.

Mills, C. (2009). How Oliver Olson Changed the World. Illustrated by H. Maione.
New York: Farrar Straus & Giroux.

Newsome, R. (5/10). The Billionaire's Curse. New York: HarperCollins.

Peck, R. (2009). A Season of Gifts. New York: /Penguin/Dial. A Christmas tale.

Peirce, L. (2010). Big Nate: In a Class By Himself. New York: HarperCollins.
Yeah, it looks like a *Wimpy Kid* rip-off, but it is actually really funny, maybe even better than WK?

Sonnenblick, J. (2010). Dodger for Sale. New York: Macmillan/Feiwel & Friends.
Acclaimed YA author brings his three-book series for middle graders to a grand close.

Vail, R. (2010). Justin Case: School, Drool, and Other Daily Disasters. New York: Macmillan/Feiwel & Friends. "Diary of a third grade worrywart..."

Weissman, E. (2009). The Trouble with Mark Hopper. New York: Penguin/Dutton.

Wright, E. (2009). Frankie Pickle and the Closet of Doom.

Nonfiction

Alcorn, S. (2009). A Gift of Days: The Greatest Words to Live By. New York: Simon & Schuster. "Daily words of inspiration from 366 visionaries who have shaped our world."

Kinney, J. (2010). The Wimpy Kid Movie Diary. New York: Amulet Books.

Nonfiction (cont.)

Mazer, A. & Potter, E. (2010). Spilling Ink: A Young Writer's Handbook. Illustrated by M. Phelan. New York: Roaring Book Press. Witty, encouraging, and authentic.

Selzer, A. (2010). The Smart Aleck's Guide to American History. New York: Random.

Spinelli, E. & J. (2009). Today I Will: A Year of Quotes, Notes, and Promise to Myself. Random House/Knopf.

For Librarians, Parents, and Teachers

Darton, R. (2009). The Case for Books: Past, Present, & Future. NY: Public Affairs.

Ephron, H. (2009). The Bibliophile's Devotional. Avon, MA: Adams Media

Johnson, M. (2010). This Book is Overdue: How Librarians & Cyberlibrarians Save Us All. New York: Harper.

Miller, D. (2009). The Book Whisperer: Awakening the Inner Reader in Every Child. San Francisco: Wiley/Jossey-Bass.

Ravitch, D. (2010). The Death and Life of the Great American School. New York: Basic Books. In my opinion, the most important book on education in a generation or more!

Silvey, A. (2009). Everything I Need to Know I Learned From a Children's Book. New York: Roaring Brook Press.

Slightly Old, But Still Great

Kelley, M. (2008). Twelve Terrible Things. New York: Tricycle Press/Random.

Mills, C. (2007). Becoming Teddy Roosevelt. Illustrated by R. Alley. New York: Farrar Straus & Giroux.

Wersba, B. (2005). Walter the Story of a Rat. Illustrated by D. Diamond. Asheville, NC: Front Street. Great story, exquisite prose, beautiful art; a winner all around.

Last- Minute Additions

Cole, H. (2010). A Nest for Celeste: A Story About Art, Inspiration, and the Meaning of Home. New York: HarperCollins.

Scieszka, J. (6/10). Spaceheadz SPHDZ Book1. Illustrated by S. Prigmore. New York: Simon & Schuster.

Wiles, D. (2010). Countdown: Book 1 of The Sixties Trilogy. New York: Scholastic Press.

A Preview: Summer - Fall 2010



Hunger Games Trilogy- Book 3!

Collins, S. (8/10). Mockingjay. New York: Scholastic.
Embargoed release; no advance copies!

Savvy Sequel

Law, I. (8/10). Scumble. New York: Dial Books.

Mike Lupica - NON- sports?!

Lupica, M. (11/10). Hero. New York: Philomel.

Reps' Picks

Yovanoff, B. (9/10). The Replacement. New York: Penguin.

Kirby, M. (10/10). The Clockwork Three. New York: Scholastic Press

New Series

Grimstone, D. (10/10). Gladiator Boy: Hero's Quest. Illustrated by J. De LaRue.
New York: Penguin.

Krulik, N. (7/10). George Brown, ClassClown: Super Burp!. Illustrated by A. Blecha.
New York: Penguin.

Continuing Series

Bruel, N. (9/10). Bad Kitty vs. Uncle Murray. New York: Roaring Brook.

Vernon, U. (9/10). DragonBreath: Curse of the Were-Weiner. New York: Dial.

Fisher, C. (12/10). Sapphique. New York: Dial. Sequel to highly acclaimed Incarceron.

Early Buzz

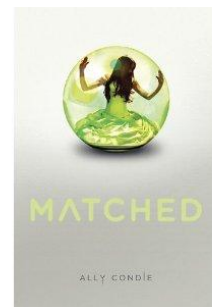
Bacigalupi, P. (5/10). Ship Breaker. New York: Little, Brown.

Rhodes, J. (8/10). Ninth Ward. New York: Little, Brown.

Could be BIG!

Condie, A. (11/10). Matched. New York: Dutton.

Dystopian novel about a girl who has waited her entire life for an assigned soul mate, only to discover she's in love with someone else. Likened to "The Handmaid's Tale" and "Brave New World" for teens!"



Picture Books: Ho , ho, ho!

- A new Christmas *David* book by David Shannon: It's Christmas David!; Scholastic Books, 9/10.

NOTES:

"Isn't it a joy - there is hardly a greater one - to find as new book, a living book, and know that it will remain with you while life lasts?" Katherine Mansfield

Thanks for coming! - Chris
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