

5 KINDS OF NONFICTION BOOKLISTS

The following titles extend the key book lists and text sets discussed in *5 Kinds of Nonfiction: Enriching Reading and Writing with Children's Books*. We will be providing updates periodically to include more text sets and newly-published titles, so watch this space!

Sample Traditional Nonfiction Titles

- Albee, Sarah. *Accidental Archeologists: Chance Discoveries that Changed the World*. New York: Scholastic, 2020.
- Cherry-Paul, Sonja, Jason Reynolds, and Ibram X. Kendi. *Stamped (for Kids): Racism, Antiracism, and You*. New York: Little, Brown, 2021.
- Derr, Aaron. *Sports of the Paralympic Games*. South Egremont, MA: Red Chair Press, 2020.
- Dionne, Evette. *Lifting as We Climb: Black Women's Battle for the Ballot Box*. New York: Viking, 2020.
- Doeden, Matt. *It's Outta Here! The Might and Majesty of the Home Run*. Minneapolis, MN: Lerner, 2021.
- Doeden, Matt. *Monster Trucks*. Mankato, MN: Capstone, 2018.
- Frank, Sarah. *Golden Retrievers*. Minneapolis, MN: Lerner, 2019.
- Gibbons, Gail. *Coral Reefs*. New York: Holiday House, 2019.
- Lawrence, Blythe. *Behind the Scenes Gymnastics*. Minneapolis, MN: Lerner, 2019.
- Seifert, Christine. *Whoppers: History's Most Outrageous Lies and Liars*. San Francisco: Zest Books, 2015.
- Sills, Cathryn. *Rivers and Streams*. Atlanta, GA: Peachtree, 2019.
- Simon, Seymour. *Exoplanets*. New York: HarperCollins, 2018.
- Treuer, Anton. *Everything You Wanted to Know about Indians But Were Afraid to Ask Young Readers Edition*. New York: Levine Querido, 2021.
- Tyner, Artika R. *Black Lives Matter: From Hashtag to the Streets*. Minneapolis, MN: Lerner, 2021.
- Young, Karen Romano. *Shark Quest: Protecting the Oceans Top Predators*. Minneapolis, MN: Lerner, 2022.

Sample Browseable Nonfiction Titles

- Albee, Sarah. *North America: A Fold-Out Graphic History*. London: What on Earth Books, 2019.
- Drimmer, Stephanie Warren. *The Book of Queens: Legendary Leaders, Fierce Females, and Wonder Women Who Ruled the World*. Washington, D.C.: National Geographic, 2019.
- Duprat, Guillaume. *Eye Spy: Wild Ways Animals See the World*. London: What on Earth Books, 2018.

- Editors of TIME for Kids. *Big Book of WHY Revised and Updated*. New York: Time for Kids, 2016.
- Grossman, Emily. *What Breathes Through Its Butt? Mind-Blowing Science Questions Answered*. New York: Bloomsbury, 2020.
- Guinness World Records. *Guinness World Records 2021*. New York: Guinness World Records, 2020.
- Harrison, Vashti. *Little Dreamers Visionary Women Around the World*. New York: Little, Brown, 2018.
- Henderson, Leah. *Together We March: 25 Protest Movements that March into History*. New York: Atheneum, 2021.
- Ignatofsky, Rachel. *Women in Art: 50 Fearless Creatives Who Inspired the World*. Berkeley, CA: Ten Speed, 2019.
- Jenkins, Steve. *The Animal Book: A Collection of the Fastest, Fiercest, Toughest, Cleverest, Shyest—and Most Surprising—Animals on Earth*. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2013.
- Lowery, Mike. *Everything Awesome About Sharks and Other Underwater Creatures!* New York: Orchard, 2020.
- Rocco, John. *How We Got to the Moon: The People, Technology, and Daring Feats of Science Behind Humanity's Greatest Adventure*. New York: Crown, 2020.
- Socha, Piotr. *Trees: A Rooted History*. New York: Abrams, 2019.
- St. Fleur, Nicholas. *Did You Know? Dinosaur*. New York: DK, 2020.
- Williams, Titus D. *Day in the Life Bigs Cats: What Do Lions, Tigers, and Panthers Get Up to All Day?* New York: Neon Squid, 2022.

Sample Narrative Nonfiction Titles

- Burgess, Matthew. *Drawing on Walls: The Story of Keith Haring*. New York: Enchanted Lion, 2020.
- Cline-Ransome, Lesa. *Game Changers: The Story of Venus and Serena Williams*. New York: Simon & Schuster, 2018.
- Denise, Anika Aldamuy. *Planting Stories: The Life of Librarian and Storyteller Pura Belpré*. New York: HarperCollins, 2019.
- Fleming, Candace. *Honeybee: They Busy Life of Apis Mellifera*. New York: Neal Porter Books, 2020.
- Jarrow, Gail. *Spooked! How a Radio Broadcast and The War of the Worlds Sparked the 1938 Invasion of America*. Honesdale, PA: Calkins Creek, 2018.
- Levinson, Cynthia. *The People's Painter: How Ben Shahn Fought for Justice with Art*. New York: Abrams, 2021.

- Montgomery, Heather L. *Something Rotten: A Fresh Look at Roadkill*. New York: Bloomsbury, 2019.
- Nargi, Lela. *Karl's New Beak: 3-D Printing Builds a Bird a Better Life*. North Mankato, MN: Capstone, 2019.
- Riley, Scott. *The Floating Field: How a Group of Thai Boys Built Their Own Soccer Field*. Minneapolis, MN: Millbrook, 2021.
- Soontornvat, Christina. *All Thirteen: The Incredible Cave Rescue of the Thai Boys' Soccer Team*. Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2020.
- Valdez, Patricia. *Joan Proctor, Dragon Doctor: The Woman Who Loved Reptiles*. New York: Knopf, 2018.
- Tate, Don. *William Still and His Freedom Stories: The Father of the Underground Railroad*. Atlanta: Peachtree, 2020.
- Tonatiuh, Duncan. *Soldier for Equality: José de la luz Sáenz and the Great War*. New York: Abrams, 2019.
- Wallmark, Laurie. *Hedy Lamarr's Double Life: Hollywood Legend and Brilliant Inventor*. New York: Sterling, 2019.
- Weatherford, Carole Boston. *Unspeakable: The Tulsa Race Massacre*. Minneapolis, MN: Millbrook, 2021.

Sample Expository Literature Titles

- Atkins, Marcie Flinchum. *Wait, Rest, Pause: Dormancy in Nature*. Minneapolis, MN: Millbrook, 2019.
- Duffield, Katy S. *Crossings: Extraordinary Structures for Extraordinary Animals*. San Diego: Beach Lane, 2020.
- Fishman, Seth. *A Hundred Billion Trillion Stars*. New York: Greenwillow, 2017.
- Guillian, Charlotte. *The Street Beneath My Feet*. London: words & pictures, 2017.
- Judge, Lita. *Homes in the Wild: Where Baby Animals and Their Parents Live*. New York: Roaring Brook, 2019.
- Keating, Jess. *Pink Is for Blobfish: Discovering the World's Perfectly Pink Animals*. New York: Knopf, 2016.
- Markle, Sandra. *What If You Had T. rex Teeth? And Other Dinosaur Parts*. New York: Scholastic, 2019.
- McGill, Erin. *If You Want a Friend in Washington: Wacky, Wild & Wonderful Presidential Pets*. New York: Schwartz & Wade, 2020.

Messner, Kate. *The Next President: The Unexpected Beginnings and Unwritten Future of America's Presidents*. San Francisco, CA: Chronicle, 2021.

Montgomery, Heather L. *What's in Your Pocket?: Collecting Nature's Treasures*. Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2021.

Page, Robin. *The Beak Book*. San Diego: Beach Lane, 2021.

Roth, Susan L. *Birds of a Feather: Bowerbirds and Me*. New York: Neal Porter Books, 2019.

Sanchez, Anita. *Rotten: Vultures, Beetles, Slime and Nature's Other Decomposers*. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2019.

Sorell, Traci. *We Are Grateful: Otsaliheliga*. Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2018.

Shreeve, Elizabeth. *Out of the Blue*. Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2021.

Sample Active Nonfiction Titles

Alderfer, Jonathan. *National Geographic Kids Bird Guide of North America: Second Edition*. Washington, D.C.: National Geographic, 2018.

Burns, Loree Griffin. *You're Invited to a Moth Ball*. Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, MA, 2020.

Butterworth, Chris. *Where Did My Clothes Come From?* Somerville, MA: Candlewick.

Bauer, Joy. *Yummy Yoga: Playful Poses and Tasty Treats*. New York, Abrams, 2019.

Carson, Mary Kay. *Wildlife Ranger Action Guide: Track, Spot & Provide Healthy Habitat for Creatures Close to Home*. North Adams, MA: Storey, 2020.

Cook, Deanna F. *Cooking Class Global Feast! 44 Recipes that Celebrate the World's Cultures*. North Adams, MA: Storey, 2019.

Dewar, Andrew. *Ultimate Paper Airplanes for Kids*. North Clarendon, VT: Tuttle Publishing, 2015.

Hackett, Jennifer. *Super Hero Science*. New York: Downtown Bookworks, 2019.

Lisle, Andria. *Sewing School: 21 Sewing Projects Kids Will Love to Make*. North Adams, MA: Storey, 2010.

Masiello, Ralph. *Ralph Masiello's Alien Drawing Book*. Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2019.

Moore, Arden. *A Kids' Guide to Dogs: How to Train, Care for, Play and Communicate with Your Amazing Pet*. North Adams, MA: Storey, 2020.

Morgan, Dan. *Minecraft: The Official Joke Book*. New York: Random House, 2021.

Rissman, Rebecca. *Hair-Raising Hairstyles that Make a Statement*. Mankato, MN: Compass Point Books, 2018.

Swanson, Jennifer. *Rock, Fossil, and Shell Hunting: The Definitive Interactive Nature Guide*. New York: Odd Dot, 2021.

Szymanski, Jennifer. *Code This! Puzzles, Games, Challenges, and Computer Coding Concepts for the Problem Solver in You*. Washington, D.C.: National Geographic, 2019.

Sample Blended Nonfiction Titles

Buhrmann-Deever, Susannah. *If You Take Away the Otter*. Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2020.

Castaldo, Nancy F. *Sniffer Dogs: How Dogs (and their Noses) Save the World*. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2014.

Fleming Candace. *Giant Squid*. New York: Roaring Brook, 2016.

Johnson, Rebecca L. *Masters of Disguise: Amazing Animal Tricksters*. Minneapolis, MN: Millbrook, 2016.

Johnson, Rebecca L. *When Lunch Fights Back: Wickedly Clever Animal Defenses*. Minneapolis, MN: Millbrook, 2014.

Johnson, Rebecca L. *Zombie Makers: True Stories of Nature's Undead*. Minneapolis, MN: Millbrook, 2012.

Li, Amanda. *Rise Up: Ordinary Kids with Extraordinary Stories*. Kansas City, MO: Andrews McMeel, 2020.

Markle, Sandra. *Animals to the Rescue! Amazing True Stories from Around the World*. Minneapolis, MN: Millbrook, 2021.

Markle, Sandra. *The Great Monkey Rescue: Saving the Golden Lion*. Minneapolis, MN: Millbrook, 2015.

Markle, Sandra. *Snowy Owl Invasion: Tracking an Unusual Migration*. Minneapolis, MN: Millbrook, 2017.

Roy, Katherine. *How to Be an Elephant*. New York: David Macaulay Studio, 2017.

Roy, Katherine. *Neighborhood Sharks: Hunting with the Great Whites of California's Farallon Islands*. New York: David Macaulay Studio, 2012.

Stewart, Melissa, and Steve Brusatte. *Pinocchio Rex and Other Tyrannosaurs*. New York: HarperCollins, 2017.

Stewart, Melissa. *Hurricane Watch*. New York: HarperCollins, 2015.

Sample 5 Kinds of Nonfiction Text Sets

Birds

Alderfer, Jonathan. *National Geographic Kids Bird Guide of North America: Second Edition*. Washington, D.C.: National Geographic, 2018. (Active)

Burnie, David. *Eyewitness Books: Bird*. London: DK Children, 2008. (Browseable)

McCarthy, Megan. *City Hawk: The Story of Pale Male*. New York: Simon & Schuster, 2007. (Narrative)

Simon, Seymour. *Penguins*. New York: HarperCollins, 2010. (Traditional)

Stewart, Melissa. *Feathers: Not Just for Flying*. Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2014. (Expository Literature)

Dinosaurs

Buzzeo, Toni. *When Sue Found Sue: Sue Hendrickson Discovers Her T. rex*. New York: Abrams, 2019. (Narrative)

Levine, Sarah. *Fossil by Fossil: Bones in Nature*. Minneapolis: Lerner, 2018. (Expository Literature)

McCurry, Kristen, and Juan Calle Velez. *How to Draw Incredible Dinosaurs*. North Mankato, MN: Capstone, 2012. (Active)

Simon, Seymour. *Dinosaurs: Fact and Fable*. New York: HarperCollins, 2020. (Traditional)

St. Fleur, Nicholas. *Did You Know? Dinosaur*. New York: DK, 2020. (Browseable)

Activism

Bondy, Halley. *Speak Up! A Guide to Having Your Say and Speaking Your Mind*. Minneapolis: Zest Books, 2015. (Active)

Chambers, Veronica. *Shirley Chisolm Is a Verb*. New York: Dial, 2020. (Narrative)

Clinton, Chelsea. *She Persisted: 13 American Women Who Changed the World*. New York: Philomel, 2017. (Expository Literature)

Henderson, Leah. *Together We March: 25 Protest Movements that Marches into History*. New York: Atheneum, 2021. (Browseable)

Tyner, Dr. Artika R. *Black Lives Matter: From Hashtag to the Streets*. Minneapolis: Lerner, 2021. (Traditional)

Fashion

Albee, Sarah. *Why'd They Wear That: Fashion as the Mirror of History*. Washington, DC: National Geographic for Kids, 2015. (Expository Literature)

Blumenthal, Deborah. *Fancy Party Gowns: The Story of Fashion Designer Ann Cole Lowe*. New York: little bee books, 2017. (Narrative)

Quigley, Kerri. *Fashion Design for Kids: Skill-building Activities for Future Fashion Designers*. Berkeley: Rockridge Press, 2021. (Active)

Rowland-Warne, L. *Eyewitness: Costume*. London: DK, 2000. (Browseable)

Waxman, Laura Hamilton. *Fabulous Fashion Inventions*. Minneapolis: Lerner, 2013. (Traditional)

Dogs

Baines, Becky. *Everything Dogs: All the Canine Facts, Photos, and Fun You Can Get Your Paws On!* Washington, DC: National Geographic for Kids, 2012. (Browseable)

Dennis, Major Brian, Kirby Larson, and Mary Nethery. *Nubs: The True Story of a Mutt, a Marine & a Miracle*. New York: Little, Brown, 2009. (Narrative)

Frank, Sarah. *Golden Retrievers*. Minneapolis: Lerner, 2019. (Traditional)

McGill, Erin. *If You Want a Friend in Washington: Wacky, Wild & Wonderful Presidential Pets*. New York: Schwartz & Wade, 2020. (Expository Literature)

Moore, Arden. *A Kid's Guide to Dogs: How to Train, Care for, and Play and Communicate with Your Amazing Pet!* North Adams, MA: Storey, 2020. (Active)

Ocean Life

Gowan, Fiona. *How to Draw Incredible Sharks and Other Ocean Giants: Packed with over 80 Creatures of the Sea*. Denver: B.E.S. Publishing, 2016. (Active)

Newman, Patricia. *Sea Otter Heroes: The Predators That Saved an Ecosystem*. Minneapolis: Millbrook, 2017. (Narrative)

Simon, Seymour. *Sea Creatures*. New York: HarperCollins, 2018. (Traditional)

Stewart, Melissa. *Seashells More than a Home*. Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2019. (Expository Literature)

Zommer, Yuval. *The Big Book of the Blue*. London: Thanks & Hudson, 2018. (Browseable)